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Family Fun Day

Don't forget to attend Bay County 4-H Family Fun Day on September 30, 2007, at Auburn Park, Auburn, MI from 12:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. Please bring a dish to pass. Table service and hot dogs will be provided.

This year we will be having several new events for adults and youth. One new event is the Cow Plop raffle. Tickets for the raffle are \$20 each. First place prize is \$1,000; with 10 additional \$50 prizes. Only 200 tickets are being sold, so get yours today!

All are welcome to attend, and 4-H families are encouraged to invite families from the community to learn about 4-H. If you have any questions or would like to purchase tickets contact MSU Extension - Bay County at (989) 895-4026. Event will be held rain or shine.

2008 Fair Dates

Just a reminder to mark your calendar – the 2008 Bay County Fair and Youth Exposition will be held Tuesday, August 5, through Saturday, August 9, 2008, at the Bay County Fairgrounds, 800 Livingston St; in Bay City.

Kettunen Center Workshops

4-H Global and Cultural Education County Volunteer Coordinator Workshop, September 22-23, 2007

This workshop is for adult volunteers, age 21 and older, who already are taking or who would like to take a leadership role in their county's 4-H Global and Cultural Education Program. Leadership roles include: county coordinator for 4-H International Exchanges, county coordinator for the 4-H FOLKPATTERNS program, or county coordinator for the overall 4-H Global and Cultural Education program.

This is an exciting opportunity to receive training in preparing youth for their future in a globalized and culturally diverse world. The cost to attend is \$35 and workshop registration is due September 7, 2007.

4-H Crafts, Visual Arts, and Performing Arts Workshop, October 6-7, 2007

This workshop is for youth who thrive on the arts, both visual and performing. This workshop offers opportunities for personal and creative expression, especially opportunities that are not always available in their hometown. This workshop offers

a change for 4-H volunteers to focus just on visual arts and crafts or performing arts, or a mix of the two.

Starting and maintaining a 4-H art club and available 4-H resources and will be presented. Come experience the joy of the arts. For adults and teens (13 and older by January 1, 2008). The cost is \$37; the deadline to register is September 12, 2007.

*4-H Clothing and Textiles Workshop,
October 13-14, 2007*

This workshop is an opportunity to explore new project ideas and skills for your 4-H clothing and textiles program. Sessions tentatively scheduled include wool felting, yellow brick road quilting, beginning sewing skills, mesh tote bag, knitting, fleece projects, jeans quilt, 5 to 8 year-old projects, pressing and interfacing, blanket stitch snowman, community service projects, and more. Open to adults and teens aged 13 and up. The cost of the workshop is \$32. The deadline to register is September 28, 2007.

2008 Capitol Experience

4-H Capitol Experience is an annual four-day conference that focuses on civic engagement and public policy. More than 100 teens from around the state converge in Lansing, Michigan, to experience state government in action! This year's conference will be March 9-12, 2008. The cost is \$225 per person, which includes meals, lodging and

material fees. Youth and adult chaperones will gain skills and knowledge to develop their leadership, citizenship, and community service skills to apply what is learned in their communities. For more information. See <http://web1.msue.msu.edu/cyf/youth/capexp.html>.

4-H Club Resources Web Page

There is a new look for the Michigan 4-H Club Resources Web page. This Website is to help provide clubs with easily accessible materials. Visit <http://web1.msue.msu.edu/cyf/youth/clubs/> to see what available.

Call for Adult and Teen 4-H Advisory Council Members

The Bay County 4-H Advisory Council is looking for new members. The Bay County 4-H Council discusses important issues such as, youth programs, scholarships, banquets, fair and much more.

If you are interested in becoming a member, come to the next district meeting at MSU Extension- Bay County on Thursday, September 27, 2007, at 5:30 sharp. Council is also in need of teen representatives.

If you are a teen who would like to work with adults who value the opinions of youth, please come to the September 27, 2007, meeting.

Fair Board

The next Fair Board meeting will take place Tuesday, September 11, 2007, at the Fair Board office at the Bay County Fairgrounds. Don't forget that the next derby will take place on Saturday, September 22, 2007. Help is needed on Saturday from 12:00 to 10:00 p.m. and again on Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. If you would like to sign up for a shift, e-mail baycountyfair@yahoo.com, or contact MSU Extension at (989) 895-4026.

4-H Council Soup Supper

The Bay County 4-H Advisory Council will be holding a soup supper on Saturday, October 6, 2007, at the Canteen Building on the Bay County Fairgrounds. Mark your calendars for the date and look for more information coming soon.

Mandatory Bay County 4-H Leader Training

Leader training sessions for the 2007-2008 program year will be offered on the following dates only:

- ◆ Monday, Nov.5, 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2:30 p.m.
- ◆ Thursday, Nov. 8, 6:30 p.m.

All sessions will be held in the large conference room at MSU Extension - Bay County, on the third floor of the Bay County Building, 515 Center Avenue, in downtown Bay City.

This training is *mandatory* for all leaders in Bay County *each year*. The purpose is to inform Bay County leaders of new policies, events, programs, etc. If you are a registered leader in Bay County you must attend. We will not, under any circumstances, be traveling to club meetings for leader training. Leader training for teen leaders is encouraged, but not mandatory. You only need to attend one of the three scheduled sessions.

RSVP is required by 5:00 p.m. on, Friday, October 26, 2007. If you do not RSVP, you will not receive a "treat" for attending!

Superintendents Applications

If you are interested in applying for a superintendent position, please review the superintendent guidelines and application form. Applications and guidelines are available at MSU Extension Bay County or on the Website at <http://4-h.baycounty-mi.gov>.

You must submit the application to MSU Extension Bay County before the September Council or Association meeting for which project area you wish to be superintendent.

Terms are two year renewable, unless current superintendent resigns. Livestock will have one small animal and one large animal superintendent position available per year.

Open House

Bring the family and enjoy a day of fun and education at the MSU Dairy Cattle Teaching and Research Center and the Animal Quality Research Facility.

The open house is scheduled for October 13, 2007, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., at 4075 College Road, Lansing, MI. Learn more at www.animalagteam.msu.edu.

Dress Sale

The great 4-H dress sale will be held at the Lapeer Armory, 2140 Genesee Street, Lapeer, MI, on September 15-16, and September 22-23, 2007. Over 3,500 new designer formal dresses will be on sale for \$50 each. Doors open on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. Doors open on Sundays at 1:00 p.m. and close at 6:00 p.m. Visa and MasterCard will be accepted.

All proceeds will support the Lapeer County 4-H Program. For more information, contact Pat Waugh at (810) 667-0341.

County Award Forms

As we get ready to begin a new program year, it's time for all members to update their Project Record books and start working on their county award applications. Application forms are available for pick up by members, leaders, and parents. You may also download forms from the Bay County Website. Direct your browser to <http://4-h.baycounty-mi.gov>.

Members are required to write a paragraph about their skill development and accomplishments in up to three project areas. Applications are read by the County Awards committee. All members receive recognition.

Cloverbuds can apply for a Participation Recognition award. Members aged 11 and under can apply for a Young Achiever award for one project area in which the member worked during the 2006-2007 program year. Members aged 12 and older can apply for two awards in their project areas.

All 2008 graduates should complete a Graduate Award application to be recognized at the 2007 Awards Banquet held in February of 2008. Applications are due to MSU Extension- Bay County by **November 9, 2007**.

Michigan 4-H Youth Conservation Council

Attached is information about joining the Michigan 4-H Youth Conservation Council. 4-H'ers ages 13 to 19 as of January 1, 2008, are eligible to join.

If you have questions contact MSU Extension - Bay County at (989) 895-4026.

2008 4-H Source Book

The 2008 4-H Source Books are now available! Visit www.4-Hmall.org to request a Source Book by mail.



Thank You!

The Bay County 4-H Livestock Association would like to thank the following buyers for purchasing animals at the 2007 4-H Livestock Auction:

Grand Champion Buyers

Lamb: Meijer #48
Goose: Bader & Sons
Rabbit: Sheriff John E. Miller
Rabbits (pen of 2): H & H Wetters Farms
Swine: Auburn Fertilizer
Chicken: Greenstone Farm Credit Services
Chickens (pen of 3): H & H Wetters Farms
Steer: Wazny Farms
Pheasant: Hymmco
Turkey: Bader & Sons
Duck: Amy Herber

Reserve Champion Buyers

Lamb: COPOCO Credit Union
Rabbit: Meijer #48
Swine: Mark & Nina Suchy
Chicken: Sarah Suchy
Chickens (pen of 3): Bay County Farm Bureau
Steer: Auburn Fertilizer/Hemlock Elevator Company
Pheasant: Rick Behmlander
Turkey: Ronald Groulx II
Duck: Saginaw Bay Underwriters - Russ Atkinson

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Auburn Bean and Grain
Auburn Fertilizer
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Bader Brother's Inc.
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Cobblestone Homes
COPOCO Credit Union
Crop Production Services
Dave and Cindy Ferrio
Dean Rumsey
Delicia Newman
Diane Julian
Dominic Licavoli
DuBay and Sons
Ed Stanolis
Eevie's House of Treasures
Emma Suchy
Fick's Automotive Inc.
Freeland Bean and Grain

G & D Feeds
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Ittner Bean and Grain
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Lanczak Farms
Mark Suchy Jr.
Meijer #48
Meylan Excavating Inc.
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Bay County Fair 4-H Award Winners

MSU Extension - Bay County and the Bay County Fair Board would like to congratulate the following Bay County youth who were recognized for their achievements during the 2007 Bay County Fair and Youth Exposition, held August 7-11, 2007, at the Bay County Fair Grounds.

Equestrian Court

Queen: Stephanie Buffman
First Runner-up: Cara Weisbarth
Second Runner-up: Lexi Geyer

Horse Show Winners

Pony: Grand Champion - Nicole Gallant; Reserve Champion - Crystalleena Walker
Mares: Grand Champion - Amorrena Most; Reserve Champion - Stephanie Buffman.
Geldings: Grand Champion - Nicole Gallant; Reserve Champion - Laura Koenig
Championship Equitation Trophy: Briana Trares

Horse Barn Decorating Contest

Bits 'N' Pieces 4-H Club

Livestock Court

King: Harold Patterson
Queen: Ryann Kruse
Prince: Henry Patterson
Princess: Kendra Kruse

Livestock Showmanship Winners

Chicken Showmanship

Senior Showmanship: Grand Champion - Andreas Schlatter; Reserve Champion - Nickolas Schlatter
Junior Showmanship: Grand Champion - Kendra Kruse; Reserve Champion - Rachel Stovall
Young Achiever Showmanship: Grand Champion - Natasha Schlatter; Reserve Champion - Travis Schlatter

Duck Showmanship

Senior Showmanship: Grand Champion - Harold Patterson; Reserve Champion (no entrant)
Junior Showmanship: Grand Champion - Emily Brandt; Reserve Champion - Henry Patterson
Young Achiever Showmanship: Grand Champion - Barry Doud; Reserve Champion - Rebecka Doud

Goat Showmanship

Senior Showmanship: Grand - Sara Schwinck; Reserve - Kevin Shaffer
Junior Showmanship: Grand - Brianna Buffman; Reserve - (none)
Young Achiever Showmanship: Grand - Barry Doud; Reserve - David Clark

Goose Showmanship

Senior Showmanship: Grand Champion - Harold Patterson; Reserve Champion - Stacey Buffman
Junior Showmanship: Grand Champion - Henry Patterson; Reserve Champion - (none)

Young Achiever Showmanship: Grand Champion - Barry Doud; Reserve Champion - Rebecka Doud

Lamb Showmanship

Senior Showmanship: Grand - Amanda Scheuerlein; Reserve - Sarah Schwinck
Junior Showmanship: Grand - Kristy Brandt; Reserve - Emily Brandt
Young Achiever Showmanship: Grand - Rebecka Doud; Reserve - (none)

Rabbit Showmanship

Senior Showmanship: Grand - Dana Dubay; Reserve - Amanda Scheuerlein
Junior Showmanship: Grand - Ellen Schoenher; Reserve - Mariah Scheuerlein
Young Achiever Showmanship: Grand - Leanne Owens; Reserve - Julia Behmlander

Steer Showmanship

Senior Showmanship: Grand - Andreas Schlatter; Reserve - Nickolas Schlatter
Junior Showmanship: Grand - Caleb Wazny; Reserve - Nathan LeCronier
Young Achiever Showmanship: Grand - Grant Rosenbrock; Reserve - Garrett LeCronier

Turkey Showmanship

Senior Showmanship: Grand Champion - Adam Stovall; Reserve Champion - Andreas Schlatter
Junior Showmanship: Grand Champion - Kristy Brandt; Reserve Champion - Henry Patterson
Young Achiever Showmanship: Grand Champion - Alexander Schlatter; Reserve Champion - Rebecka Doud

Swine Showmanship

Senior Showmanship: Grand - Anthony Licavoli; Reserve - Mark Suchy
Junior Showmanship: Grand - Drew Jenkins; Reserve - Ryan Rosenbrock
Young Achiever Showmanship: Grand - Grant Rosenbrock; Reserve - Lillian Herber

Market Livestock Winners

Market Chickens: Grand - Garrett LeCronier (single); Kevin Shaffer (pen); Reserve - Zachary LeCronier (single); Sarah Schwinck (pen)
Market Ducks: Grand - Kendra Kruse; Reserve - Evelyn Herber
Market Geese: Grand - Evelyn Herber; Reserve - (none)
Market Lambs: Grand - Kristy Brandt; Reserve - Emily Brandt
Market Pheasants: Grand - Tony Groulx; Reserve - Julia Behmlander
Market Rabbits: Grand - Rebecka Doud (single); Nicole Wilson (pen); Reserve - Taylor Rosenbrock (single)
Market Steer: Grand - Nicole Wilson; Reserve - Nathan LeCronier
Market Swine: Grand - Nickolas Schlatter; Reserve - Seth Schlatter
Market Turkeys: Grand - Travis Schlatter; Reserve - Lacy Murphy

Non-market Livestock Winners

Non-market Chickens: Grand - Travis Schlatter; Reserve - Ryan Wood
Non-market Ducks: Grand - Andrew Field (single); Emily Brandt (pen); Reserve - Henry Patterson (single); Ryan Meier (pen)
Non-market Geese: Grand - Henry Patterson; Reserve - Harold Patterson
Non-market Goats: Grand Champion - Sarah Schwinck; Reserve - Andrew Field
Non-market Lambs: Grand - Sarah Schwinck;
Non-market Rabbits: Grand - Dana DuBay; Reserve - Amanda Scheuerlein
Non-market Steer: Grand - Garrett LeCronier; Reserve - Kevin Shaffer
Non-market Turkeys: Grand - Kristy Brandt; Reserve - Adam Stovall

Kiwanis Award Winners

Horse Projects: Lauren Davis
Leadership: Kaycie Pawelski
Livestock Projects: Rebecka Doud; Travis Schlatter; and Seth Schlatter.
Still Projects: Hannah Dardas (Crocheting); Andrew Field (Woodworking); Ryann Kruse (Visual Arts); Brianna Laisure (Garden Vegetables); Kayla Rudy (Cake Decorating); Kendra Schlatter (Creative Writing); Nickolas Schlatter (Garden Vegetables); Neil Spencer (Original Works); Sara Spencer (Photography); and Helen Szabo (Food Preparation).

Best of Show Award Winners

Horse Projects: Briana Trares; and Cara Weisbarth.
Still Projects: Lindsay Christensen; Hannah Dardas; Dana Dubay; David Monville; Lacy Murphy; Marisa Rivard; Briana Rohde; Lisa Jo Ross; Erica Rudy; Kayla Rudy; Matthew Rudy; Andreas Schlatter; Kendra Schlatter; Neil Spencer; Sara Spencer; Helen Szabo; Erica Weiler; and Larry Wood.

Outstanding Award Winners

Horse Projects: Nicole Gallant; Lexi Geyer; and Lauren Davis.
Still Projects: Sarah Anderson; Joanna Bierlein; Aaron Bookmyer; Ashley Bookmyer; Kristy Brandt; Lindsey Caverly; Nathan Caverly; Hannah Dardas; Alexandra Histed; Teressa Irish; Kendra Kruse; Ryann Kruse; Brianna Laisure; Stephen Leppek; David Monville; Jordan Mulders; Leeann Owens; Erica Rudy; Kayla Rudy; Matthew Rudy; Amanda Scheuerlein; Alexander Schlatter; Natasha Schlatter; Seth Schlatter; Sarah Schwinck; Kevin Shaffer; Neil Spencer; and Sara Spencer.

Container Garden Winners

First Place: 4-H PACK Club
Second Place: Country Cousins, Critters, and Kids
Third Place: Creative Clover Kids

Dirla Photography Award

Nathan Caverly

Rocket J's Chicken Contest Winner

Adam Stovall

Vegetable Contest Winners for Eggplant

First Place: Joanna Bierlein
(2 pounds, 3 ounces)
Second Place: Matthew Rudy
(1 pound, 8 ounces)

September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3 <i>Labor Day Office Closed</i>	4	5	6 Horse Council 6:30 p.m. Canteen DEADLINE: Horse Barn Superintendent Applications	7 DEADLINE: Global Ed Workshop	8
9	10	11 Fair Board 7 p.m. Fair Office	12 Deadline: 4-H Crafts, Visual Arts Workshop	13	14	15 Lapeer Dress Sale 10a.m.
16 Lapeer Dress Sale 1p.m.	17	18	19	20 Livestock Association 7 p.m. Canteen DEADLINE: Livestock Superintendent Applications	21	22 Fair Board Derby 12 a.m. to 10 p.m. Global Ed Workshop Kett Center Lapeer Dress Sale 10a.m.
23 Fair Board Derby Clean-up 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Global Ed Workshop Kett Center Lapeer Dress Sale 1p.m.	24	25	26	27 District Meeting 5:30 p.m. MSUE Advisory Council 6 p.m. MSUE DEADLINE: Canteen Superintendent Applications	28 Deadline: Clothing and Textiles workshop	29
30 Family Fun Day 12-5 p.m. Auburn Park						

OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 <i>New 4-H Program Year Begins!</i> 	2	3	4 Horse Council 6:30 p.m. Canteen	5	6 4-H Council Soup Supper 4:30 -7:30 p.m. Canteen 4-H Crafts, Visual Arts Workshop Kett Center
7 4-H Crafts, Visual Arts Workshop Kett Center	8	9	10	11	12	13 Clothing and Textiles workshop Kett Center Dairy Cattle Research Center Open House MSU
14 Clothing and Textiles workshop Kett Center	15	16	17	18 Livestock Association 7 p.m. Canteen	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Advisory Council MSUE	26 DEADLINE: RSVP for Leader Training	27
28	29	30	31 <i>Halloween</i> 			



4-H Family Fun Day

Sunday, September 30, 2007

12:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Auburn Park, Auburn, MI

Off of US 10

Lunch served at 1:00 p.m.

Please bring a dish to pass.
Hot dogs will be provided.

Events Include: games for kids, fishing, playgrounds, volleyball, and much more!

A Cow Plop fundraiser is also planned.

Tickets are \$20. Prizes are \$1000 for 1st place and 10 additional \$50 prizes.

All youth, leaders, and families are invited to attend.

Feel free to invite anyone who may be interested in joining 4-H or learning more about 4-H Youth Programs.

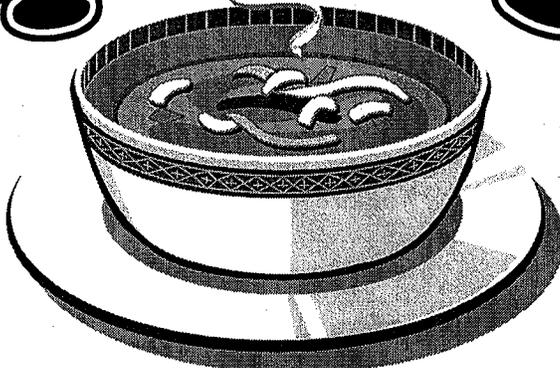
This event is sponsored by the Bay County 4-H Advisory Council. Participation in 4-H Council events enables youth members to earn scholarships for Exploration Days, Keittunen Center programs, and other events requiring a registration fee.

For more information on 4-H Youth Programs or the 4-H Advisory Council, contact MSU Extension - Bay County at (989) 895-4026.

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Bay County 4-H Goup Supper



Saturday, October 6, 2007
4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Bay County Fairgrounds Canteen
800 Livingston Street, Bay City

Menu

Soups: bean, chili, chicken
noodle, and beef.

Vegetarian and take-out
options available.

Salad, bread, dessert,
and beverage.

Tickets

\$6.00 adults

\$4.00 youth
(Ages 6 to 10)

Kids 5 and under free

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ATTENTION TEENS!

YOU can provide important leadership for conserving Michigan's natural resources in the 21st century!



The Michigan 4-H Youth Conservation Council is an advanced service learning and leadership opportunity for teens aged 13 to 19.

If you're interested in...

- A one-year learning experience (with the potential for mentoring the following year) working with key conservation decision-makers in your region and the state government...
- Improving your presentation and public speaking skills...
- Researching and presenting conservation issues to Michigan's legislative committees...

- Being formally recognized as a youth leader in conservation public policy...
- Networking with teens, agency professionals and government officials through meetings, training sessions, and satellite and Internet communication technologies...
- Getting valuable information on future career opportunities...
- The opportunity to receive a scholarship (teens 13 to 15 years old) or apply for a counselor position (teens 16 to 19 years old) at the 4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp...

...the Michigan 4-H Youth Conservation Council is for YOU!

web1.msue.msu.edu/cyf/youth/m4hycc.html

All non-4-H youth will be asked to enroll in a local 4-H club through their county MSU Extension office to participate in this program.

Sponsors:

- The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality
- Donors to the Michigan 4-H Foundation



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Positions are limited, so apply today!

The Michigan 4-H Youth Conservation Council was introduced by the Michigan Senate in 1999 and is coordinated by Michigan 4-H Youth Development. The next council will begin in November 2007. Positions are limited to 25 teens aged 13 to 19. Applications are accepted on or before October 12, 2007. To receive an application and information packet, contact your county MSU Extension office or:

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