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Clover Chatter

Happy New Year



The Jodies' Buzz:

We hope you had a very happy holiday season! Don't forget to turn your re-enrollment paperwork to our office as soon as possible. Winter Workshop is fast approaching so get your registration in soon. The sessions fill-up fast! Enclosed is the complete information about the workshop.

Winter Program Cancellation Policy

In the event of adverse weather conditions, the policy for regularly scheduled 4-H council or association meetings is as follows: meetings are cancelled if there is no school or if school has been dismissed early in the **Bay City Public School District** due to adverse weather conditions. Please be sure that all leaders, parents, and members are aware of this policy.

If you have any doubt about a meeting being cancelled, call MSU Extension at (989) 895-4026 between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. This policy applies to county-wide, regularly scheduled 4-H council or association meetings **only**. Each club should establish their own winter program cancellation policy and be certain that it is understood by all club leaders, parents, and members.

Save the Date!

- ◆ Bay County 4-H Advisory Council's **Winter Workshop**. This workshop is open to all youth in the community who are ages 5-19 by January 1, 2009. The date will be **January 24, 2009**. Deadline to register is January 9, 2009.
- ◆ The Bay County 4-H Livestock Association will be holding their annual **Spaghetti Dinner on February 19, 2009**.
- ◆ The 2009 Bay County 4-H Awards **Banquet** will be held on **February 28, 2009**.

These events will all be held at the Canteen building on the Bay County Fairgrounds. For more information contact (989) 895-4026.

Bay County 4-H Rabbit Show

The Bay County 4-H Livestock Association will be holding our second 4-H Rabbit Show on Saturday, April 18, 2009, at the Pinconning Boys and Girls Club.

Jodi Schulz
4-H Extension Educator

Jodi Wrzesinski
4-H Program Assistant

2009 Youth Awards Banquet

Don't forget the 2009 4-H Youth Awards Banquet is scheduled for Saturday, February 28, 2009, at the Canteen Building, on the Bay County Fairgrounds.

If you and your family are planning to attend we ask that you bring a dessert that will serve at least eight (8) people. The deadline to place reservations to MSU Extension - Bay County is Friday, February 13, 2009.

You must call in reservations to ensure we have enough food and seating. We look forward to seeing you on February 28.

Shaggy Spring Fling

Bay County 4-H Horse Advisory Council will be holding their annual Shaggy Spring Fling Horse Show on Saturday, April 25, 2009. Please see the enclosed show bill for more information.

Spaghetti Dinner

The Bay County 4-H Livestock Association will be holding their fourth annual spaghetti dinner on Thursday, February 19, 2009. See the enclosed flier for more information.

Award Nominations

IDARE You Award.

This is a leadership award for youth ages fifteen to eighteen. The youth who receives this award demonstrates a commitment to discovering and developing their personal best, living a balanced life, and making a positive difference in

their community. It is awarded to a youth who has the character traits and capacity for leadership. Often recipients may not have yet recognized or acted upon their potential. With encouragement and recognition they are ready to take the dare to develop their full promise as leaders.

Please submit your nomination(s) in writing to MSU Extension- Bay County by January 21, 2009.

Friend of 4-H Award

This award can be for an organization, individual, business, or group who has shown support to the Bay County 4-H Program. This award is to show appreciation from the youth, leaders, parents, volunteers and staff who are dedicated to Bay County 4-H.

The deadline to submit your nomination in writing to MSU Extension- Bay County is January 21, 2009.

Attention Livestock Association Members

Livestock Association members mark your calendars for the following important deadlines. All youth selling animals at the Bay County Fair should know the dates stated in the current Livestock Association bylaws.

If you need a current copy of the bylaws, look on our Website at www.baycounty-mi.gov/MSUE/4-H. All animals that require photos to be turned in may mail them to MSU Extension - Bay County, 515 Center Avenue, Bay City, MI 48708 or e-mail them to Jodi Schulz at schulzj@msu.edu.

Beef - Members have steer/ heifer in possession by February 1, 2009 and photo of their animal with ear tag clearly represented turned in by February 15, 2009. Don't forget that steers/ heifers must be born on or after January 1 of prior calendar year.

Swine - Members have possession of swine by May 1, 2009 and photo of their animal with ear tag clearly represented turned in by May 15, 2009. Don't forget that swine must be born on or after January 1, 2009.

Lambs - Members have lamb in possession by May 1, 2009 and photo of their animal with ear tag clearly represented turned in by May 15, 2009. Don't forget that lambs must be born on or after January 1, 2009.

Goats - Members have goats in possession by May 1, 2009 and photo of their animal with ear tag clearly represented turned in by May 15, 2009. Don't forget that goats must be born on or after January 1, 2009.

Waterfowl/Poultry - Members have waterfowl/ poultry in possession by June 15, 2009. Don't forget that waterfowl/ poultry must be born on or after January 1, 2009.

Rabbits - Members have rabbits in possession by June 15, 2009. Don't forget that rabbits must be born on or after January 1, 2009.

Kettunen Center Workshops

4-H Environmental and Outdoor Education Adult and Teen Leader Workshop

The 4-H Environmental & Outdoor Education Adult and Teen Leader workshop will be held March 21-22, 2009. For more information contact MSU Extension - Bay County at (989) 895-4026.

Clare County Hartland Rabbit Show

The show will take place on Saturday, February 14, 2009, at Farwell High School registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. The show will start at 9:00 a.m. sharp. Trophies and ribbons will be awarded, no premiums.

The entry fee is \$2.50 per rabbit or cavy. An educational poster contest is offered with no fees. Cloverbuds may participate in showmanship *only*. For more information contact Don Dietsch at (989) 465-2058.

Tentative Shooting Sports Workshop

There will be a shooting sports workshop tentatively planned for Saturday, February 28, 2009, and March 1, 2009, at the Midland Sportsmen Club, 8825 North Sturgeon Road, Midland. The cost to attend is \$65. More information will be available soon.

Winter Workshop

The Bay County 4-H Advisory Council will be hosting their annual Winter Workshop. The deadline is

quickly approaching on January 9, 2009. See the attached registration for more information.

Bay County 4-H Wish List

Enclosed you will see a flier for several items that Bay County 4-H is in need of. Thank you so much to the Clark family for their donation of platters and knives.

We will continue to collect these items to use in preparation for our upcoming dinners and events. Donated items do not need to be new and all items are greatly appreciated.

4-H Ski Day

Apple Mountain Ski Resort is again offering 4-H Ski day. 4-H clubs can ski for the day at a discounted rate. 4-H Ski Day will be held Sunday, January 25, 2009, from 10:00 - 4:00 p.m. See the attached registration form. This is a great opportunity for your family or club to have a day out and have fun!

Scholarship Opportunity

Land O'Lakes Purina Feed LLC will award five \$1,000 scholarships to high school seniors who demonstrate scholastic achievement, leadership in agriculture and a perceived ability to contribute to agriculture in the future. The Propel Energy Nugget scholarship program is available to high school graduates pursuing a degree in dairy science or dairy nutrition and management. Applications must be postmarked by March 14, 2009, and to learn more about the program and get an application, go to www.propel-nugget.com, or contact Sally Ryman

at sjryman@landolakes.com, or (651) 765-5541.

Attention Horse Council

As you are all aware, MSU Extension - Bay County received a generous donation in the summer of 2008 from The Dow Chemical Company for a product called Equifoam. Through research and evaluation, it has been determined that Equifoam is a product that is useful for flooring in horses stalls. Bay County Buildings and Grounds is currently housing a great deal of Equifoam that will be used to replace the current dirt floor in the horse barn on the Bay County Fairgrounds.

At this time, we will be holding an organizational meeting on Thursday, January 8, 2009, 6:00 p.m. at MSU Extension - Bay County to create a plan for the Equifoam project. If you have any questions contact me at (989) 895-4026 or by e-mail at schulzj@baycounty.net.

New Horse Council Bylaws

Horse Council members can view the updated version of the Horse Advisory Council Bylaws. During the November Horse Advisory Council meeting the draft bylaws were approved and will be in affect for the 2009 Bay County Fair and Youth Exposition.

If you need a current copy of the bylaws, look on our Website at www.baycounty-mi.gov/MSUE/4-H. or visit MSU Extension - Bay County, at 515 Center Avenue, Bay City, MI 48708.



JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Happy New Year!	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 Horse Council Informational Meeting 6 p.m. MSUE	9 Deadline: Register for Winter Workshop	10
11	12	13	14	15 Livestock Assoc. 7 p.m. Canteen Bldg.	16	17
18	19 Office Closed Martin Luther King Jr. Day	20	21 Deadline: Award Nominations	22	23	24 Winter Workshop Canteen Bldg.
25	26	27	28	29 Advisory Council Mtg. 6:00 p.m. MSUE	30	31



FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Beef project must be in your possession.	2	3	4	5 Horse Council 6:30 p.m. Canteen Bldg.	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 Deadline: Register for Youth Awards Banquet	14 Clare County Rabbit Show Farwell High School
15	16 Office Closed President's Day	17 Deadline: Beef, Sheep and Swine photos due to MSUE	18	19 Livestock Assoc. Spaghetti Dinner Canteen Bldg.	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Advisory Council Mtg. 6:00 p.m. MSUE	27	28 Youth Awards Banquet 6:00 p.m. Canteen Shooting Sports Workshop

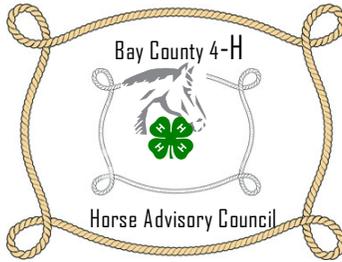
Bay County 4-H Horse Advisory Council

Shaggy Spring Fling Open Horse Show

April 25, 2009

9:00 a.m.

Bay County Fairgrounds
800 Livingston St.
Bay City Michigan 48708



All proceeds benefit 4-H
Horse Advisory Council

Judge: TBA

For More Information:
MSU Extension - Bay County (989) 895-4026
Show Chair Person: Melisa Lisk (989) 245-3819
Co-Chair: Joann Jasman (989) 751-7407

4-H Rules Apply
Entry Fee: \$4.00 per class
All Day Fee: \$30.00

**No Show Clothes or Clipping
Required**

Safe riding attire is required

Prizes Awarded for High Point
in each Age Division

Lunch Available on Grounds

Show Rain or Shine unless
weather and arena conditions
are deemed unsafe.

1. *Shaggiest Equine (in hand) ²
 2. Shaggiest Equine (in hand) (8 & under) ³
 3. Showmanship (8 & under) ³
 4. Showmanship 30 & over
 5. Showmanship 20 - 29
 6. Showmanship 16 - 19
 7. Showmanship 12 - 15
 8. Showmanship 9 - 11
 9. Lead Line Horse/Pony (8 & under)³
 10. *Walk/Trot Novice Rider ¹
 11. Walk/Trot (8 & under)
 12. Saddle Seat Pleasure - open
 13. Saddle Seat Equitation - open
*** 15 Minute Break***
 14. English Pleasure 30 & over
 15. English Pleasure 20 - 29
 16. English Pleasure 16 - 19
 17. English Pleasure 12 - 15
 18. English Pleasure 9 - 11
 19. English Equitation 30 & over
 20. English Equitation 20 - 29
 21. English Equitation 16 - 19
 22. English Equitation 12 - 15
 23. English Equitation 9 - 11
 24. Hunter Hack - open
Lunch
 25. *W/T Novice Horse Pleasure
 26. *W/T Novice Horse Equitation
 27. Western Pleasure 30 & over
 28. Western Pleasure 20 - 29
 29. Western Pleasure 16 - 19
 30. Western Pleasure 12 - 15
 31. Western Pleasure 9 - 11
 32. Western Equitation 30 & over
 33. Western Equitation 20 - 29
 34. Western Equitation 16 - 19
 35. Western Equitation 12 - 15
 36. Western Equitation 9 - 11
 37. * Groom's Class ¹
 38. Reining - open
 39. Bareback Equitation - open
- Speed Classes: (Laser Timer)
40. Cloverleaf 30 & over
 41. Cloverleaf 20 - 29
 42. Cloverleaf 16 - 19
 43. Cloverleaf 12 - 15
 44. Cloverleaf 9 - 11
 45. Flag Race 30 & over
 46. Flag Race 20 - 29
 47. Flag Race 16 - 19
 48. Flag Race 12 - 15
 49. Flag Race 9 - 11
 50. Speed & Action 30 & over
 51. Speed & Action 20 - 29
 52. Speed & Action 16 - 1
 53. Speed & Action 12 - 15
 54. Speed & Action 9 - 11
 55. Barrel Bending 30 & over
 56. Barrel Bending 20 - 29
 57. Barrel Bending 16 - 19
 58. Barrel Bending 12 - 15
 59. Barrel Bending 9 - 11
 60. Two - Man Relay - open

¹ - Not to ride in any other class
² - Fun Class, Not judged on conformation
³ - Adult Walking assistant required
Show committee retains right to combine/split classes

High Point awarded per age group/based on 1 horse/1 rider

Bay County 4-H Horse Advisory Council and The Bay County Fairgrounds are not responsible for any theft, loss, injury, or accident to any horse, rider, or equipment at this event. Riders agree to abide by all 4-H rules. **Negative Coggins required.** Rain or shine unless weather or arena deemed unsafe. No refunds.



4-H Wish List



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YEARS OF
4-H

The list below was developed by Bay County 4-H leaders and youth to help our food preparation and serving fund-raisers operate more smoothly. The items below would be utilized by the Bay County 4-H Advisory Council, Livestock Association, Horse Advisory Council, and Clubs.

If you have a spare item from our list below that you would like to donate to the Bay County 4-H Program, please see Jodi Schulz or Jodi Wrzesinski at MSU Extension- Bay County or call (989) 895-4026.

- Very large salad bowl
- Large plastic serving trays
- Small plastic serving trays (restaurant style)
- Plastic cutting boards
- Peelers (potato, carrot, etc.)
- Roasters
- Serving spoons
- Tongs
- Cleaning supplies- bleach, dish soap, hand soap, etc.
- Medium size plastic bowls
- 10 quart sauce pans
- Knives- large and paring
- Extension cords
- Power strips
- Crock pots





4-H Winter Workshop

Saturday, January 24, 2009 – 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Bay County Fairgrounds Canteen Building
800 Livingston St. Bay City, Michigan 48708



4-H Winter Workshop is a 4-H workshop offering hands-on learning for youth in many popular project areas. The workshop is open to all Bay County youth ages 5-19 as of January 1, 2009. Note that some classes have minimum ages or require an adult to attend with younger members.

The registration fee is \$10 per person. The deadline to register is January 9, 2009. All registration fees are non-refundable. Please make checks payable to MSU Extension - Bay County. Complete the registration form below with an enclosed check to MSU Extension - Bay County, 515 Center Ave. Ste 301 Bay City, Michigan 48708. If you wish to buy pizza for lunch, please bring \$3.00 per person. You may also bring a lunch and keep it in the on-site refrigerator.

Schedule	
9:30 - 10:00 a.m.	- Registration
10:00 - 10:45 a.m.	- First session
11:00 - 11:45 a.m.	- Second Session
12:00 - 12:30 p.m.	- Lunch
12:30 - 1:15 p.m.	- Third Session
1:30 - 2:15 p.m.	- Fourth Session
2:30 - 3:15 p.m.	- Five Session
3:15 - 4:00 p.m.	- Wrap-up/ Survey

Class size is limited. Those who register early have first preference. If there are not enough people registered, a class may be cancelled. If you have any question contact MSU Extension - Bay County at (989) 895-4026.

Morning Sessions

- A. Bugs, Insects, & Reptiles
- B. Camping Survival
- C. Fly Tying
- D. Photography
- E. Learn your Meats
- F. Let's Make Music
- G. Scrapbooking
- H. Tie Shawl
- I. Chocolates
- J. Candles
- K. Ice Cream
- L. Table Centerpieces
- M. Three Tier Plate Tray

Afternoon Sessions

- N. Make your Own Lotion & Lip Balm
- O. Creating a photography show
- P. Cupcake Decorating
- Q. Bubble Wands
- R. Jewelry
- S. What's up Duck?
- T. Flower Arranging
- U. Pop Can Lamp
- V. Pop Tab Belt
- W. Bat Houses
- X. Bubble Stationary
- Y. Leather Craft
- Z. Three Tier Plate Tray

Registration Form

Deadline to register is January 9, 2009. Cost is \$10. Please return this form to MSU Extension - Bay County 515 Center Ave. Ste. Bay City, Michigan 48708 with a check made payable to MSU Extension.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ 4-H Member: Yes No

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Morning Sessions: (please rank each session from 1 to 13. 1 being your favorite.)

___ A. ___ B. ___ C. ___ D. ___ E. ___ F. ___ G. ___ H. ___ I. ___ J. ___ K. ___ L. ___ M.

Afternoon Sessions: (please rank each session from 1 to 12. 1 being your favorite.)

___ N. ___ O. ___ P. ___ Q. ___ R. ___ S. ___ T. ___ U. ___ V. ___ W. ___ X. ___ Z.



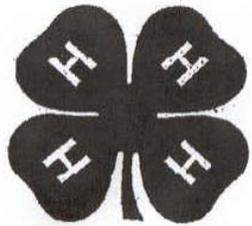
Session Descriptions

- * **Bugs, Insects, & Reptiles**- Learn to love bugs, insects, and reptiles by getting up-close and personal with them. Limit 15 participants.
- * **Camping Survival** - Do you know how to survive in the wilderness? Learn some basic skills of survival. Limit 15 participants.
- * **Fishing Lures**- Do you like to fish? Take this class to learn how to make your very own fishing lure. Ages 10-19. Limit 8 participants.
- * **Photography**- Would you like to sharpen your photography skills? If so, this is the class for you!. Limit 12 participants.
- * **Learn Your Meats**- You will learn about the cuts of meat that come from large animals and how to purchase a “good” cut of meat. Ages 10-19. Limit 10 participants.
- * **Let’s Make Music**- Learn how to make your very own musical instruments and create a band! Ages 5-8. Limit 12 participants.
- * **Scrap booking**- Use your creativity to showcase your best photographs. Participants need to bring ten of their favorite photos. Limit 15 participants.
- * **Community Service Tie Shawl**- This session will teach participants how to work with fabrics to create beautiful shawls. The shawls will be given to a local organization in our community. Ages 10-19. Limit 10 participants.
- * **Chocolates**- Do you have a sweet tooth? If so, this session is for you. Learn the basics of making chocolates. All ages. Limit 12 participants.
- * **Candles**- Use creative household items to make a wonderful candle. Limit 12 participants.
- * **Ice Cream**- Learn how to make old fashioned ice cream and enjoy a yummy treat. Limit 8 participants.
- * **Table Centerpieces**- Use CD’s to make a unique table centerpiece. Ages 5-8. Limit 12 participants.
- * **Leather Craft**- Learn to use leather craft tools to make a useful project. All ages. Limit 10 participants.
- * **Create a Photography Show**- Use technology to learn how to create your own photo show. Ages 12-19. Limit 8 participants.
- * **Cupcake Decorating**- Learn the basic techniques of cake decorating by making a creative cupcake. Limit 12 participants.
- * **Bubble Wands**- Do you know how bubbles are made? Learn hands-on how to make a bubble wand. Ages 5-8. Limit 8 participants.
- * **Jewelry**- Learn how to make beautiful pieces of jewelry for yourself or for a gift. Ages 10-19. Limit 8 participants.
- * **What’s Up Duck?**- Turkeys, ducks and chickens, oh my. Learn about all types of poultry. Limit 10 participants.
- * **Flower Arranging**- What a beautiful arrangement! Learn how to match flowers and colors to make an arrangement. Limit 8 participants.
- * **Pop Can Lamp**- Learn the basics of electrical safety by making your won lamp from a pop can. Participants will need to bring a 12 oz. Pop can of their choice. Ages 10-19. Limit 7 participants.
- * **Pop Tab Belt**-Create a unique belt made of tabs from the top of your pop can. Ages 12-19. Limit 10 participants.
- * **Bat House**- Where to bats live? What do bats eat? Learn all about bats and make them a house to live in. Limit 12 participants.
- * **Bubble Stationary**- Learn how to make your own unique stationary using bubbles. Limit 12 participants.
- * **Three Tier Plate Tray** - Learn how to make your own unique three tier tray. Display bake goods or jewelry Limit 10 participants. All ages.

Bay County 4-H Livestock Association

Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction

**Thursday, February 19, 2009
4:30 – 7:00 p.m.**



*Proceeds benefit the Bay County
4-H Livestock Association*

Canteen Building
800 Livingston St.
(Bay County Fair Grounds)



All You Can Eat
Spaghetti, Salad, Garlic Toast,
Dessert, and Beverage

\$6.00 per ticket

Children Age 3 and Under Free

****Take Out Available****

For tickets or more information call MSU Extension at (989) 895-4026