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Clover Quickie

The Jodies' Buzz:

A new program year is here and with that comes lots of exciting events! Read through this newsletter carefully for important dates you won't want to miss! Don't forget re-enrollment forms were due to MSU Extension - Bay County by December 1, 2009. If you have not re-enrolled, after this mailing you will no longer receive correspondence from MSU Extension - Bay County. During leader training organizational leaders received enrollment paperwork for the 2009-2010 program year. If you are uncertain if your paperwork is up-to-date contact MSU Extension - Bay County at (989) 895-4026. Organizational leaders remember that we need all forms returned to us in the yellow folder. Don't forget to check off that you have included all the forms necessary to complete your club file.

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: January 23, 2010**. This workshop is open to all youth in the community who are ages 5-19 by January 1, 2010.
- ◆ The Bay County 4-H Livestock Association will be holding their annual **Spaghetti Dinner on February 18, 2010**.
- ◆ The 2009 Bay County 4-H **Awards Banquet** will be held on **February 28, 2010**.

These events will all be held at the Canteen building on the Bay County Fairgrounds. See more information in the December *Clover Quickie* or call (989) 895-4026.

Archery

If you are interested in archery, contact Mike Meier at (989) 697-3430 or on his cell at (989) 415-2441. The cost each week is \$4 per person. The program runs for 12 weeks and will begin Saturday, January 9, 2010, from 4-6 p.m. This is a great opportunity to learn about archery in a safe and fun environment.

When will groups meet next?

Advisory Council: December 10, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. at MSU Extension- Bay County (pot luck).

Livestock Association: January 21, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. at the Canteen building on the Fairgrounds.

Horse Advisory Council: February 4, 2010, at 6:30 p.m. at the Canteen building on the Fairgrounds.

2010 Fair Dates

The Bay County Fair will take place August 10-14, 2010. The State 4-H Horse Show will take place August 20-22, 2010.

Kettunen Center Workshops

Mark your calendars for these exciting workshop at Kettunen Center. For a list complete list of Kettunen Center workshops and their descriptions, visit <http://web1.msue.msu.edu/cyf/youth/4htrain.html>.

4-H Vet Science Teen & Adult Volunteer Workshop
February 26, 2010

4-H Beef, Sheep & Swine Teen & Adult Volunteer Workshop
February 27, 2010

4-H Environmental & Outdoor Education Workshop
March 19, 2010

4-H Plant Science and Entomology Workshop
March 19, 2010

4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Workshop
April 23, 2010

4-H Companion Animal Teen & Adult Volunteer Workshop
May 15, 2010

4-H Shooting Sports Trainer Workshop
April 22, 2010

Livestock Bylaws

The newly revised Livestock Association Bylaws are now available on our Website at www.baycounty-mi.gov/MSUE/4-H. The signature page is due to MSU Extension - Bay County by May 15, 2010.

Diaper Bag Community Service Project

The Breastfeeding Club of Bay County is asking 4-H families for help in making breastfeeding friendly diaper bags for breastfeeding moms.

They will be working December 28, 29, and 30, 2009, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at MSU Extension - Bay County. Feel free to come when you can and stay as long as you can between 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Please bring scissors, pins, sewing machines, and clean old jeans or corduroys. Contact MSU Extension - Bay County at (989) 895-4026 to register for these events.

Fair Board Meeting Change

Fair Board will now meet on the second Sunday of the month at the Canteen Building. The next meeting is Sunday, December 13, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at the Canteen.

Office Closed

The MSU Extension - Bay County office will be closed for the observance of the following holidays:

Christmas

Thursday, December 24, 2009

Friday, December 25, 2009

New Years Eve

Thursday, December 31, 2009

Friday, January 1, 2010

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Monday, January 18, 2010

Last Chance Leader Training

All leaders must attend leader training to remain a 4-H leader in the Bay County 4-H Youth Program. The last chance to attend leader training is December 10, 2009, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. at MSU Extension - Bay County.

State 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Show

The State 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Show will take place on January 30, 2010, at the MSU Pavilion. Registration begins at 6:30 a.m. The cost is \$2.75 per class. This event is open to all 4-H members 9 to 19 years old as of January 1, 2010. Non-competitive Cloverbud classes are also available.



4-H Winter Workshop

Saturday, January 23, 2010 – 9:45 a.m. to 3:30 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, 2010. 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 8, 2010. 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

9:45 - 10:00 a.m. - Registration
10:00 - 10:45 a.m. - First session
10:45 - 11:30 a.m. - Second Session
11:30 - 12:15 p.m. - Third Session
12:15 - 12:45 p.m. - Lunch
12:45 - 1:30 p.m. - Fourth Session
1:30 - 2:15 p.m. - Fifth Session
2:30 - 3:15 p.m. - Sixth Session
3:15 - 3:30 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. Cereal Box Tote Bag
- B. Piggy Bank
- C. Chocolates
- D. Bat Houses
- E. Ceramics
- F. Wire Art
- G. Easy Wreath Bird Bath
- H. Lotion
- I. Lip Balm
- J. Cup Cake Decorating
- K. Diaper Bag Community Service
- L. Decorative Photo Frame

Afternoon Sessions

- M. Tee is for Tote
- N. Glass Etching
- O. Bird Houses
- P. Denim Pocket Photo Frame
- Q. All Natural Play Clay
- R. Cup Cake Decorating
- S. Gifts from a Jar
- T. Cool Door Knob Hanger
- U. Electric Potatoes
- V. Diaper Bag Community Service
- W. Decorative Photo Frame

Registration Form

Deadline to register is January 8, 2010. Cost is \$10. Please return this form and a check made payable to MSU Extension - Bay County and send it to 515 Center Ave., Ste. 301, Bay City, Michigan 48708.

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

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

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

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

Afternoon Sessions: (please rank each session from 1 to 11. 1 being your favorite.)

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



Session Descriptions

- * **Cereal Box Tote Bag:** Make a creative tote bag using a cereal box and scraps of paper. All ages. Limit 12.
- * **Piggy Bank:** This piggy bank is cute and completely hand-made using a pop bottle. All ages. Limit 10.
- * **Chocolates:** Do you have a sweet tooth? If so, this session is for you! Learn the basics of making chocolates. All ages. Limit 12.
- * **Bat Houses:** Where do bats live? You'll find out by making your very own bat house. All ages. Limit 10.
- * **Bird Houses:** Would you like to learn how to keep the birds warm this winter? All ages. Limit 10.
- * **Ceramics:** Have you ever wondered how to make your own ceramic project? You'll learn about the basics of ceramics and take home your own hand-made project. All ages. Limit 10.
- * **Wire Art:** Make a creative art project using wire, beads, and glass. All ages. Limit 10.
- * **Easy Wreath Bird Bath:** Are you a bird lover? Make this bird bath and the birds in your yard will be very happy. All ages. Limit 12.
- * **Lotion:** Learn how to make your own lotion with the scents of your choice. All ages. Limit 15.
- * **Lip Balm:** Make your own lip balm. Learn how to color it and add flavors. All ages. Limit 15.
- * **Cup Cake Decorating:** Learn the basic techniques of cake decorating by making a creative cupcake. All ages. Limit 15.
- * **Diaper Bag Community Service:** Participate in this community service project making diaper bags for the local hospital. You'll learn how to cut and sew fabric. All ages. Limit 10.
- * **Decorative Picture Frame:** Display your favorite photo in this creative and stylish photo frame. All ages. Limit 12.
- * **Tee is for Tote:** Bring an old, clean t-shirt and make it into a tote bag. Ages 10-19. Limit 8.
- * **Glass Etching:** Learn the skill of glass etching. You'll take home your own etched project. Ages 10-19. Limit 10.
- * **Denim Pocket Photo Frame:** You'll learn how to take a jean pocket and make it into a photo frame. All ages. Limit 12.
- * **All Natural Play Clay:** Using natural ingredients you'll learn how to make four different colors of clay. All ages. Limit 15.
- * **Gifts From a Jar:** Learn how to make a gift in a jar that can be made into a yummy treat at home. Ages 5-8. Limit 15.
- * **Cool Door Knob Hanger:** Use the latest crafting supplies to make a door knob hanger that is unique to your personality. Ages 10-19. Limit 12.
- * **Electric Potato:** Who knew there were so many uses for potatoes? Learn a very unique use for potatoes. All ages. Limit 8.

4-H Exploration Days

Shaping 4-H for the 21st Century



June 23 - 25, 2010

Michigan State University

\$165 for 4-H Members

\$175 for non-4-H Members

\$85 Commuter Fee

It is a wonderful opportunity for youth ages
11 through 19 (by January 1, 2010).

Exploration Days is designed to:

- ◆ Help youth learn new ideas, techniques, and skills you can use personally and in your 4-H groups and communities.
- ◆ Offer in-depth action learning through sessions in your interest areas.
- ◆ Meet new people and make new friends from different places and with different backgrounds from across the state.
- ◆ Give you access to the Michigan State University campus and its wealth of resources.

For more information contact MSU Extension - Bay County at (989) 895-4026.

Equifoam Flooring For Sale Now!

- What:** Horse barn Equifoam flooring
- How Big:** Equifoam sheets are 2 feet wide by 10 feet long
- How much:** \$20 per sheet
- Proceeds:** Proceeds from the fundraiser will benefit the efforts the 4-H Horse Advisory Council, on behalf of the Bay County 4-H Program, is making to improve the horse barn on the Bay County Fairgrounds.
- Info:** For questions or more information, contact MSU Extension - Bay County at (989) 895-4026.

Horse and Pony Event

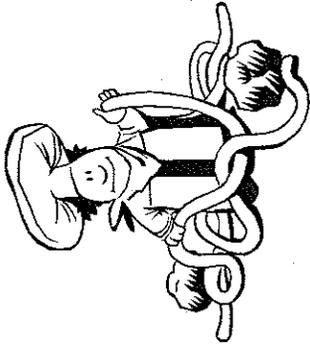
- What:** Information Session and Clinic
- When:** Saturday, January 16, 2010
- Where:** MSU Pavilion, East Lansing MI
- Who:** Sessions are for young people that are interested in attending MSU, and well as clinics on Western Horsemanship and Dressage.
- Info:** For questions or more information, contact MSU Extension - Bay County at (989) 895-4026. Or visit <http://www.msue.edu/~msuha/>.

Sixth Annual Bay County 4-H Livestock Association

Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction

Thursday, February 18, 2010
4:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Canteen Building
800 Livingston St.
(Bay County Fairgrounds)

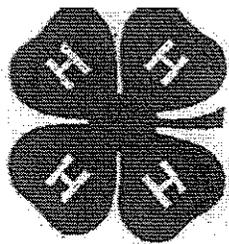


All You Can Eat
Spaghetti, Salad, Garlic Toast,
Dessert, and Beverage

\$6.00 per ticket

Children Age 3 and Under Free

****Take Out Available****



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

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



WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

YOU!! if you will complete your junior year of high school in June, 2010.

YOU!! if you are interested in a career in law, social studies, politics, journalism, etc.

(You need not be a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, or the descendant of a veteran.)

WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

American Legion Auxiliary Girls State is a government simulation program for girls who have completed their junior year of high school. The objective is to provide "hands on" training in city, county, and state government. As a citizen, you will participate in a variety of activities. All levels of government (executive, legislative and judicial) are explored.

- **LEARNING** the structure of the various levels of state government
- **PARTICIPATING** in a two party political system
- **CAMPAIGNING** for office
- **VOTING** in a general election
- **OPERATING** a judicial system
- **OPERATION** of a political party convention
- **ASSUMING** the role of a legislator or judge
- **LEARNING** the role lobbyists play in state law making
- **HEARING** Michigan legislators and judicial professionals
- **MEETING** many new friends from all over Michigan

WHERE IS IT HELD? Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI McDonel Hall

WHEN IS IT HELD? June 27 through July 3, 2010

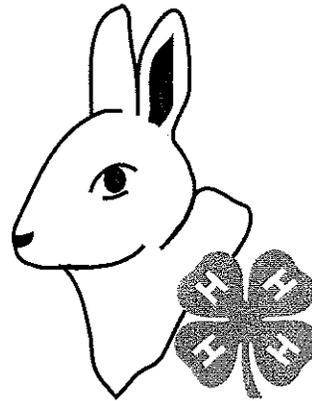
WHY IS IT HELD? To broaden your understanding of our government and how it works; to learn the importance of your role as a citizen; and to give you the opportunity to participate in a program widely recognized by colleges and universities

GET IN ON THE ACTION!! APPLY RIGHT NOW!! DON'T DELAY!!
REGISTRATION FEE IS USUALLY PAID BY A SPONSORING ORGANIZATION!!

**FOR INFORMATION SEE YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR OR CALL A LOCAL
 AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY GIRLS STATE CHAIRMAN!!**

**Check out our Website at www.michalaux.org, and click on Girls State for
 all the details!!**

State 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Show



**January 30, 2010
MSU Pavilion**

**On-site registration begins at 6:30
a.m., \$2.75 per class**

Open to all Michigan 4-H members
9-19 years of age (as of January 1,
2010).

A non-competitive Cloverbud division
for 5-8 years of age is also available.

Want to become a member? Contact
your county MSU Extension Office
today!

The Michigan 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Show
is sponsored by Michigan 4-H Youth
Development Programs. Rabbit and
Cavy breed classes ONLY. Judging by
ARBA Standards (breed, fur, meat). No
showmanship classes offered.

Other Events During the Show:

- Breed ID
- Educational Posters and Displays
- Ask the Vet Student Booth
- Supply Vendors
- Scholarship Auction

For more information, contact:

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4-H Learn and Grow - Bay County

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Thursday, January 14, 2010

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

MSU Extension - Bay County
Third Floor Large Conference Room
515 Center Ave., Ste 301
Bay City, MI 48708



Have you ever wondered how to get involved in 4-H or start your own 4-H club? Are you looking for a local opportunity to involve your children in a low cost educational and fun program? Have you considered becoming a 4-H volunteer and learning how you can enhance your job skills?

During “4-H Learn and Grow-Bay County” youth and adults will learn how Bay County 4-H can create growth in you and/or your child by providing educational opportunities in the following ways:

- * Target age appropriate life skill development
- * Emphasize research-based experiential learning
- * Involve volunteers
- * Engage a variety of partners
- * Include families
- * Reach both diverse and under served audiences
- * Promote a multicultural perspective and appreciation

If you are interested in attending, RSVP by contacting MSU Extension - Bay County at (989) 895-4026 by January 4, 2010. If you are interested in learning more about Bay County 4-H but are unable to attend on January 14, please contact Jodi Schulz at schulzj@baycounty.net.

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