



# CLOVER CHRONICLES

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Isabella County

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## 2018 4-H Exploration Days

June 20-22, 2018  
Michigan State University

4-H Exploration Days is an annual state youth conference held on the campus of MSU that is open to all youth ages 11-19 by January 1. This event is meant to be a learning experience that will instill self-esteem, decision-making skills, independent thinking and leadership skills. The full time participant fee is \$165 which includes meals, lodging, and a t-shirt. 4-H Council will pay half the fee for full time registration. We also have a limited number of \$40 scholarships that are available, but youth have to fill out an application.

Registration begins on March 13 and sessions fill up very fast, so turn in your registration forms as soon as possible to the Extension office. A \$40 deposit is due at the time of registration.

For a registration book or for more information, check out the Exploration Days website at:

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4\\_h\\_exploration\\_days](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4_h_exploration_days)

## The Buzz About Bees - 4-H Spin Club

March 14 - April 18, 2018 (every Wednesday, for 6 weeks)  
6 PM - 8 PM  
Isabella County Building, Room 320



This program is designed to teach about the ancient art of beekeeping. Begin learning about the importance of bees and travel through the world of bee development and behavior. For youth ages 9 - 19. Please register at the Extension office by March 9. See page 11 for more details.

## WIN A PIZZA PARTY For Your 4-H Club!!!

Tractor Supply's 4-H Paper Clover Campaign will run April 11 through April 22 at the Mt. Pleasant TSC. Contact the Extension office to sign up for a time slot. TSC is so supportive of 4-H! We want to show our appreciation by having as many youth and families as we can help at the 4-H table in the store and talk to customers and answering questions. The club with the most volunteers for this event, will win a FREE PIZZA PARTY!!! Participants will have to sign in on a sign in sheet, and have an employee initial that they were present during their time slot.



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## **CLUB CORNER**

**Aim High** - With less than 150 days until fair, Aim High members are busy making lists of projects they hope to take to fair. At our February meeting we talked about all of the 4-H events coming up in the county. As our service project for the month, several members worked on cleaning the kitchen in the church where we meet.

**Barn Yard Kids** - Our special guest speaker was Dr. Pol at our February meeting. Great meeting, excellent turn out! Signed up for Maple Syrup Festival and had three new families join.

**Broomfield Valley** - For our meeting in February, we went sledding at the millions in Blanchard. It was a blast! We had hot cocoa and hot dogs.

**Evergreen** - We hosted our annual spaghetti supper on February 3. We had a wonderful turnout, thank you to all who came to enjoy a great meal in support of our club efforts. Because of this fundraiser, we are able to do some great club activities and also help support the Isabella Youth and Farm Fair. The club also enjoyed a fun night of bowling on February 23.

**Maple Clovers** - We had our first meeting under our new leaders. We discussed the future direction of the club, writing some by laws and bringing ideas to next meeting about community service projects and fundraiser ideas. We wrapped up with pizza!

**Pine River** - We had a meeting on how to make bread from a grant we got from King Arthur. We measured, mixed, and baked the bread and rolls and donated them to the Isabella County Soup Kitchen. Thank you to King Arthur flour for the grant, we had a great time and a lot of fun.

**Pony Creek** - At our February meeting, we finalized the design for the large animal club signs for this year's fair and made ice cream in mason jars. In March we will have our annual Easter egg hunt and discuss plans for bowling.

## **New Leader Orientation**

Monday, March 5, 2018

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Isabella County Building, Room 320

Volunteers who have completed the Volunteer Selection Process, or who are in the process of completing are encouraged to attend the New Leader Orientation meeting. Light refreshments will be provided.

## **Craft Day**

Saturday, March 24, 2018

Need some "scheduled" time to work on a project for which you just can't seem to finish? We will provide your table, electricity, clean and comfortable space, and more food than you probably want for the day. Past participants have done sewing, scrapbooking, photography, and even fair projects. Join us March 24 for a productive day and support the Fair Board's building fund as well. Included with your registration fee are a couple of make-it, take-it projects, instructional opportunities, and free gifts; a raffle table will also be available if you so choose. More details on page 12.

## **Dairy Feeder Weigh-In**

Saturday, March 10, 2018

8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Isabella County Fairgrounds

Animals cannot weigh over 250 lbs. and must be:

- One of the following breeds: Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, or Jersey
- Castrated & Dehorned

Each member can either:

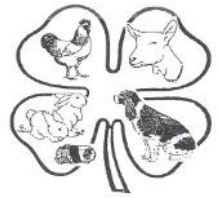
- Weigh in a maximum of two feeders or,
- Within immediate families of more than one exhibitor: each member may weigh in one feeder, and one "family alternate" can be weighed in for the family. Only one feeder per exhibitor can be brought to fair when a family alternate has been weighed in.

It's required that by Fair, every feeder must have a RFID tag (radio frequency identification) in their ear.

If you have any questions, contact Mike Lattimer at (989) 513-7839.

## Small Animal News

- If you do not already have your small animal purchase arranged, you should do so now. For example, there are only a couple of rabbit shows before the May 1 deadline and if you haven't placed an order or made contact with someone, it may be too late to get the breed you would like to have. If you wait until April 15 or later, it will be very difficult to have your animal(s) by May.
- Reminder, if you live outside of Isabella County and plan to sell in the small animal auction, you will need approval from the Small Animal Association. Plan to attend their next meeting on Thursday, March 15 at 7:00 p.m. at the Isabella County Building. If you have already met with the Small Animal Association to sell in the auction and were approved, you do not have to do it again.
- Rabbit members: when shopping for your fair animal, it is beneficial to work with a reputable breeder; someone who guarantees their animals. We suggest you not purchase your rabbits from pet stores. Take your breed standard when you go shopping so you can have a guide for finding a good representation. For instance, make sure a Mini Rex doesn't have too long of ears; a Dutch doesn't have a split stop or cheek color into the mouth; any of the lop breeds need to have a correct crown; etc. You need to purchase a rabbit with a full pedigree. Only first year members are allowed to have a mixed breed rabbit, which does not mean a recognized breed with disqualifications.
- Poultry members: we have brand new showmanship guides. Copies will be available at the showmanship clinics this summer.
- In the April newsletter we will have the schedule of upcoming showmanship clinics. Dates will be set at our March meeting.



## Broiler Chick Orders

Time to order your broiler chicks! Orders need to be placed at the Extension office by April 27. Approximate cost per bird including shipping is \$1.86 each, if we are able to order 100 birds. Contact the Extension office to place your order.

## 4-H Dog Camp

Saturday, May 5  
4-H Camp Kidwell, Allegan County

More information will be coming soon.

## Shooting Sports Instructors Needed

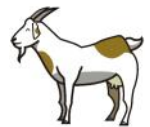
We are looking for volunteer leaders to become certified as 4-H Shooting Sports instructors in archery, rifle, and shotgun.

You will need to attend the April 27 - 29, 2018 workshop at Kettunen Center, in Tustin. (4-H Council pays the cost to attend) At the workshop you will learn safe and proper use of guns and archery equipment that you can teach the youth.

Please call the Extension office if you are interested or for more details.

## 4-H Goat Expo

Saturday, April 14, 2018  
7:30 a.m.  
Anthony Hall, East Lansing



For youth ages 9 - 19. Cost is \$5 per participant, \$3 per contest. Contests include Quiz Bowl, Breed Judging, Skill-a-thon, Creative Writing, Cookery & Foods, and much more!

To register or for more information, visit:  
<https://events.anr.msu.edu/2018goatexpo/>

## 4-H Camp Clean-Up

Sunday, April 22 & Saturday, May 5  
10 a.m. - 2 p.m., both days

Please bring work gloves, rakes, tarps, leaf blowers, staple guns, hammers, extra people!

Hotdogs, chips and drinks will be provided. RSVP to the Extension office by April 13. **Reminder - this is an Honor Club requirement.**



## 4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp

August 5 - August 11, 2018

[Camp Chickagami](#) in Presque Isle.

This camp is for teens aged 13-15, or going into 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> grades in the fall. The cost is \$375.00 for 4-H member and \$395.00 for non-4-H members. Scholarships available from 4-H Council.

Top 10 reasons to attend:

1. Have fun in the great outdoors doing camp activities such as fishing, boating, swimming, hiking and campfires!
2. Learn about and enjoy Great Lakes ecology and Michigan's diverse natural resources.
3. Explore natural resources management issues.
4. Find out about careers related to the Great Lakes and natural resources.
5. Learn from Michigan State University faculty members, MSU Extension program staff members and other natural resources experts.
6. Discover environmental education projects that you can do at home.
7. Make new friends from across the state and learn about where they are from.
8. Enjoy a chance to be independent from your family in a safe, friendly environment.
9. Learn new ideas, skills and techniques that you can use for the rest of your life.
10. Develop your leadership abilities.

For more information, contact the Extension office or visit:

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=02B2D330861D46B4>

If you are interested in applying to become a counselor, please visit the link above for applications. (Youth must be at least 16 years of age, and have some experience in camp counseling).

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## Blood Drive Update

As a community service coupled with a fundraiser for the Fair Board's Building Fund, we are asking the 4-H community ages 17 and over to consider donating blood on **June 2, from 9 am - 2 pm**, at the Veteran's Memorial Library Annex, 301 S University, in Mt. Pleasant. If you are 16 and have donated in the past or have parental consent, you may also participate. We will be working with the staff of Michigan Blood because **100%** of the blood donated is used for people in our communities -- it does not leave the state. They also run their drives on a set schedule, so everyone who agrees to participate will have a specific appointment, making it a better use of your time. If you have not already done so and would be willing to donate, please call the Extension Office and leave your contact information. Over the next few weeks, you will be contacted regarding your availability on June 2. For those of you who have already called in, THANK YOU, and we will also reach out to you very shortly. The building fund will receive \$10 per donation, but we must have at least 15 viable donors to qualify. Our initial goal is to get 30 appointments set by April 10.



# Calling All Teens (ages 15 - 19)

## We want YOU to be a Teen Representative on 4-H Council

### What will you gain?

Leadership Skills, Public Speaking Opportunities, Community Service Abilities and More!

### When does 4-H Council meet?

Fourth Tuesday of every month at 7 PM, at the Isabella County Building

### Why should you join?

Being a teen representative allows you to have a voice in the important matters within the Isabella County 4-H program and the community

**How can you apply?** Contact Kristi at the Extension office or visit: [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/isabella/isabella\\_county\\_4\\_h](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/isabella/isabella_county_4_h)

## Teen Representative Experiences:

*Hello, my name is Kourtney Collin and I am 24 years old. I have been on 4-H Council for about seven years. When I was in 4-H I knew I wanted to serve in a leadership position, I also was interested in learning more about 4-H and having an input on decisions being made for my county's 4-H program. I decided to apply to be a teen representative on 4-H Council and have been serving ever sense. Throughout my years as a teen representative I was able to learn so much about what was going on behind the scenes in Isabella county 4-H. I got to attend monthly meetings, plan events and classes, learn about policies and procedures, help with outreach, join committees, and even vote on decisions. I knew that I was able to share my opinions and make a difference in a program I love so much. I am currently now a 4-H leader and serving on 4-H Council. I very much enjoy sharing any knowledge, skills, and thoughts I have about 4-H and projects; being on Council is a perfect way for me to do this. I would highly encourage any teens to apply to be a 4-H Council teen representative. There are so many benefits including the skills and knowledge you will gain, as well as the people you will meet and the difference you will make.*

*My name is Mallory O'Dell, I have spent two or three years participating in 4-H Council as a teen representative. If there is one thing I can say about my experience being on Council as teen rep, it would be that it was an unforgettable experience. Being on Council you are able to see what goes on behind the scenes of how people come together to make sure we have a successful fair year experience every year. Most people take 4-H and Fair week for granted, but being on Council you gain a new understanding and appreciation for the leaders and volunteers that help make our 4-H program what it is today. I would highly encourage any youth participant that is considering wanting to be a 4-H Council teen rep to go at it full force. You learn so much from leadership experience, to having a say in how things operate. It is an unbelievably rewarding experience.*



# Scholarship Opportunities

## **Isabella County 4-H Scholarship**

Isabella County offers two \$500 scholarships to 4-H members or former members each year. The scholarship recipient must be enrolled at an institution of higher learning and have been involved with 4-H in Isabella County. The scholarship is not limited to college freshmen.

To get an application, click here: [Isabella County 4-H Scholarship](#) or you may pick one up at the Extension office. Applications are due back to the office by April 20. The scholarship recipients will be notified by May 15.

## **Kathryn Methner Fike Scholarship**

For high school seniors and current college students. Thank you to the family of Kathryn Virginia Methner Fike for establishing a \$1000 scholarship in her name to benefit 4-H members in Isabella County.

Kathryn Virginia Methner Fike was born on the farm of her parents in northeast Wise Township, Isabella County on Nov 21, 1918. Except for a few winters in Florida, she spent all most 96 years within 5 miles of her birthplace. She married Lester Fike on March 29, 1936 and spent over 60 years on what became the Fike Centennial Homestead. In her childhood years, she was a member of a 4-H sewing club lead by her mother, Daisy Methner. After having children of her own, she became a leader, too. She served in this capacity for many years. Kathryn took great pride in the accomplishments of her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren in their 4-H activities.

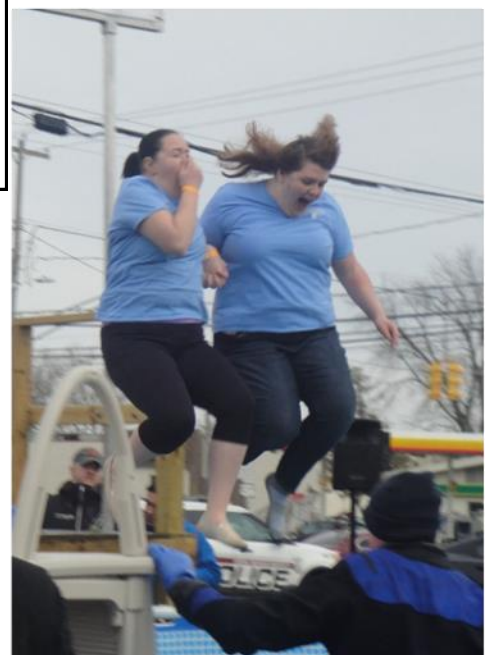
4-H has been a top priority in Kathryn's family for 5 generations and so it is with pride that her family is honoring Kathryn's many years of dedication to 4-H education in Isabella County with this scholarship.

Application is available at: [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/isabella/isabella\\_county\\_4\\_h](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/isabella/isabella_county_4_h)

# 4-H AMBASSADOR TEAM ACTIVITIES



The 4-H Ambassador Team has been busy appearing in parades and helping at other annual events. Recently, they prepared and served dinner for guests at a shelter sponsored by a local church. They also established a team for the Special Olympics Polar Plunge, raising over \$400! Mallory and Bri were the brave ones to jump into the five-degree water! The team has been invited to participate in the Michigan State Horse Expo in a couple of weeks, and are hoping to volunteer at Clothing Inc., the Animal Shelter, promote 4-H during the TSC clover campaign, and other opportunities as they can.



The process for the 2018 team will begin soon; watch the next newsletter for details on how to become a 4-H Ambassador. It is a great opportunity for 4-H'ers of all ages to represent our wonderful program, get valuable experience, and have a lot of fun with a great group! Let's continue making the best, better together!





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# 4-H Shooting Sports Spring Kickoff Event



The Michigan 4-H Shooting Sports program teaches members safety and shooting techniques for shotgun, rifle, air gun, muzzle loading and archery. They learn how to handle firearms responsibly for target practice and hunting and learn respect for the natural environment.

**Where: Isabella County Sportsman Club** ( 2872 W. Millbrook Rd Winn )

**When: Saturday, April 7 – 10 A.M. – 2 P.M.**

**RSVP by calling MSU Extension at (989) 317-4079 or email [schrei61@anr.msu.edu](mailto:schrei61@anr.msu.edu)**

## COME JOIN US FOR



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Games  
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Taxidermy



Concession Stand

Safari Club Sensory Trailer

Teen Demonstrations in all Disciplines

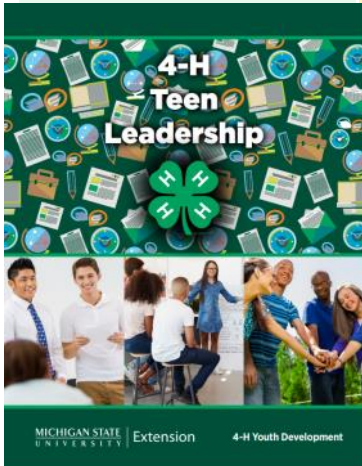


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# STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## ***Revised 4-H Teen Leadership Guide now online***



Learn the roles and responsibilities of a teen leader from this newly revised 4-H Teen Leadership Guide. Designed to make the process of taking on a 4-H teen leadership project easier, the publication provides a five step project guide along with fillable forms that make any teen into a great teen leader.

The 4-H Teen Leadership Guide is available to download for free at [msue.anr.msu.edu/resources/4\\_h\\_teen\\_leadership](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/resources/4_h_teen_leadership).

## **4-H Events and Workshops**

**March 6: 4-H and Fundraising 101 for Volunteers**

*Online*

Learn about Michigan 4-H and MSU Extension fundraising policies.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4\\_h\\_and\\_fundraising\\_101\\_for\\_volunteers](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_and_fundraising_101_for_volunteers)

**March 15: 4-H Junior Master Gardener Workshop**

*Kalamazoo Fairgrounds, Kalamazoo*

Become a 4-H Junior Master Gardener at this workshop. Registration is due by March 7.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4\\_h\\_junior\\_master\\_gardener\\_workshop\\_kalamazoo](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_junior_master_gardener_workshop_kalamazoo)

**March 17: Time for Success 4-H Workshop**

*MSU Tollgate Farm and Conference Center, Novi*

Polish your skills and get prepared for your next interview.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/time\\_for\\_success\\_4\\_h\\_workshop](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/time_for_success_4_h_workshop)

**March 19: Michigan 4-H Embryology Staff, Teacher and Volunteer Training**

*Online*

This free training is designed for educators who would like to learn how to implement an embryology program through classroom activities or 4-H SPIN clubs. Register by March 15.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan\\_4\\_h\\_embryology\\_staff\\_teacher\\_and\\_volunteer\\_training\\_online](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan_4_h_embryology_staff_teacher_and_volunteer_training_online)

**March 21: Animal Care and Well-Being**

*Mid Michigan Community College, Harrison*

During this free event, learn about large and small animal welfare from MSU Extension educator Melissa Elischer.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/animal\\_care\\_and\\_well\\_being\\_1](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/animal_care_and_well_being_1)

**March 31: Southeast Michigan 4-H Target Archery Shoot**

*Springfield Oaks County Park Activity Center, Davisburg*

This first annual event provides Michigan 4-H shooting sports members with the opportunity to test their skills and earn recognition. Register by March 17.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/2018\\_southeast\\_michigan\\_4\\_h\\_target\\_archery\\_shoot](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/2018_southeast_michigan_4_h_target_archery_shoot)

**April 4-5: 4-H Tractor Safety**

*NorthWest Michigan Research Center, Traverse City*

Complete the tractor operation safety course to become certified to perform farm jobs.

Registration is due by March 23.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/2018\\_4\\_h\\_tractor\\_safety](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/2018_4_h_tractor_safety)

**April 7: Michigan 4-H Hippology Skills and Communications Contest**

*Michigan State University, East Lansing*

Combine youth interest in horses with the importance of science literacy and life skill building in this fun contest. Submit entries to your county MSU Extension office by March 9.

<http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/mi-4-h-hippology-skills-communications-contest>

**April 14: State 4-H Goat Expo**

*Michigan State University, East Lansing*

The State 4-H Goat Expo is designed for young people who are interested in live animal evaluation and in testing their knowledge of the goat (caprine) industry.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/state\\_4\\_h\\_goat\\_expo](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/state_4_h_goat_expo)

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to <http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events>.

## STATEWIDE NEWS AREA

### 4-H Exploration Days registration opening March 13



4-H Exploration Days participants partake in a variety of fun, educational sessions while at MSU.

4-H Exploration Days is Michigan 4-H's largest pre-college program and could be the highlight of your summer—maybe even change your life! Registration for this popular event will open March 13 and is open to any Michigan 4-H'er above the age of 11 as of Jan. 1.

4-H Exploration Days is designed to help youth build the skills they need to successfully transition to college and to life as an adult.

Michigan 4-H youth who participate have the opportunity to stay in MSU campus residence halls while attending classroom and field trip sessions throughout their stay.

With more than 200 session choices held on and off campus, there are topics for everyone including animal science, business and entrepreneurship, international language and culture, performing and visual arts, and science, engineering, and technology. During the 2017 4-H Exploration Days, nearly 2,000 youth attended and they gained important life skills like decision making, problem solving and communication.

Registration will be available beginning March 13 at 9 a.m. All registration information should be turned in to your county's Extension office, typically by the end of April. Check with your local 4-H program coordinator for your specific county date or visit [www.canr.msu.edu/4\\_h\\_exploration\\_days](http://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days) for more information.

### 4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp

From August 5 to 11, 4-H youth with an interest in the outdoors have the opportunity to engage in an amazing outdoor, hands-on learning experiences at the 4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp (GLNRC). Held annually at Camp Chickagami in Presque Isle, camp participants get to go charter fishing, snorkeling, sailing and hiking, while learning about Great Lakes ecology, natural resources and environmental education.

Declared one of the top eight 4-H science programs nationally in 2012, the goal of GLNRC is to help prepare, reinforce and enrich what youth have already learned in school and what they will learn in the future. This is achieved by allowing participants to spend one week learning from experts about coastal ecology, fisheries management, limnology, wildlife, invasive species and forestry. After attending the camp, participating youth will gain knowledge and skills in environmental science and related careers.

To attend, youth must be between the ages of 13 and 15 and apply online. Registrations are due by May 1, but space is limited to 70 campers, so early application is encouraged. For more information, visit [www.canr.msu.edu/4\\_h\\_great\\_lakes\\_natural\\_resources\\_camp](http://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_great_lakes_natural_resources_camp).



4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp participants explore nature at Camp Chickagami in Presque Isle.

### New Diddly Squat lessons available

**TEACHING SCIENCE**  
...when you don't know diddly-squat

**Why are animals' feet different?**

**Purpose:** The purpose is **not** to teach specific content, but to teach the process of science – asking questions and discovering answers. This activity encourages young people to try to figure things out for themselves rather than just read an answer on the internet or in a book. As a teacher, try not to express your opinion, but let the youth engage in arguments based on evidence.

**Time required:** 20 minutes or multiple days depending on the interest and questions the youth have.

**Materials:**

- 2 balloons
- masking or craft tape
- 2 flip-flops
- 2 large cardboard boxes
- 2 ropes or wires (optional)
- 2 tape measures or yardsticks (as used in activities)

**Materials for an obstacle course (the creative examples include a two-hour timer to use as a balance beam, blocks or shipping crates, tree or table-height to step in and out of, steps to step over, mud)**

**1. A safe place to walk barefoot.**

**SCIENCE PRACTICE:**  
**Asking questions and defining problems**

1. Ask: Are animal feet different than human feet? How are they different? Do you think animals' feet give them any advantages or disadvantages as compared to human feet? How and why are chicken feet different from duck feet? How and why are horse feet different from cow feet?

**SCIENCE PRACTICE:**  
**Developing and using models**

2. Could you modify your own feet to make them move like animal feet? Have a balloon under each heel so you are walking more on your toes. Chances essentially walk on a single toe, similar to the balloon taped under the heel. What will happen if you tape them together? Cattle, pigs, sheep and goats also walk more on their toes, but they have two toes. Tape the participants' feet together in two groups. Then put a balloon under each heel. Some animal feet are spaced apart more than ours are. Place two squares turned upside down between each toe on both of your feet. How does that affect your walking? Chickens and other birds have spaced toes. See with the toe spacers. How might flip-flops or flip-flops be more like animal feet? (Cattle have webbed feet like the flip-flops.) What will happen if you have a piece of cardboard larger than the flip-flops to the bottom of the flip-flops? (Some animals have hooves that are like walking on top of a shoe.) What are the limitations of these models? Is there anything you can do to make them more accurate to be more like an animal foot?

**SCIENCE PRACTICE:**  
**Planning and carrying out investigations**

3. Set up an obstacle course with various objects as described under "Materials." Participants go through the course with different types of feet and observe how it affects their balance, speed and coordination.

Three new lesson plans are now available in the "Teaching Science When You Don't Know Diddly-Squat" series. With a focus on sight, animal feet and math, the new lesson plans are not meant to teach specific content, but to teach the process of science.

Asking questions and discovering answers encourages 4-H'ers to figure things out for themselves.

Discover the entire series and download the new lesson plans at [msue.anr.msu.edu/resources/teaching\\_science\\_when\\_you\\_dont\\_know\\_diddly\\_squat\\_series](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/resources/teaching_science_when_you_dont_know_diddly_squat_series).





# THE BUZZ ABOUT BEES: HONEY BEE BIOLOGY & BEHAVIOR

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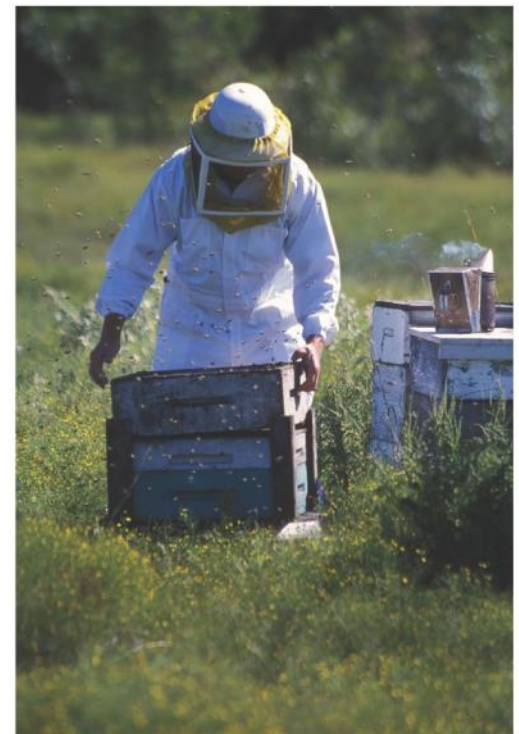
## LOCATION

**Isabella County Building  
(200 N. Main Street, Mount Pleasant MI, 48858)  
3rd floor ○ Room 320**

## WHO

**For youth ages 9 - 19**

## REGISTRATION

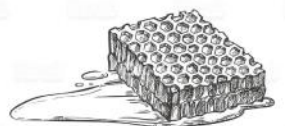


**Please register at the MSU Extension office by contacting Kristi Schreiber at [schrei61@anr.msu.edu](mailto:schrei61@anr.msu.edu) or 989-317-4079**



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# Rejuvenate your Mind

*Scrapbooking, Crafts, Fabric Projects, etc.*

Saturday, March 24, 2018

9:30 AM—7:00 PM

At First Church of Christ

1610 E. Broadway, Mt. Pleasant



## \$55 WILL GET YOU:

- \* A goody bag worth over \$20
- \* 4 Make and Takes
- \* Handmade Gifts
- \* Morning Snacks, Lunch and Dinner
- \* Your Own Table Space

## BRING YOUR OWN PROJECTS AND SUPPLIES TO WORK ON!

Use this opportunity as a “mental wellness” day — doing things you enjoy and visiting with others of like mind. We supply the space and logistics; you supply the project and/or activity!

## ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE ISABELLA COUNTY YOUTH AND FARM FAIR SOCIETY'S MULTIPURPOSE BUILDING PROJECT

Include a group name if you'd like to guarantee a block of seats together.

Send registration form below with your payment by check or credit card to Kim Vogel.

RSVP by March 12 as space is still limited, but we have expanded it a bit — get your spot held soon!

Kim Vogel, Stampin' Up!   Kimsbasementbunch.com   (989) 506-1410   5783 E. Beal City Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

GROUP NAME (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT: CREDIT CARD \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK \_\_\_\_\_

MASTERCARD \_\_\_\_\_ VISA \_\_\_\_\_ DISCOVER \_\_\_\_\_ CARD #: \_\_\_\_\_

EXP. DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ CVV: \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU NEED ELECTRICITY? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

DIETARY CONCERNS/FOOD ALLERGIES? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

EXPLAIN: \_\_\_\_\_





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**Isabella County Youth &  
Farm Fair  
July 21 - 28, 2018**

## **SAVE THE DATES**

### **New Leader Orientation**

Monday, March 5, 2018

### **Dairy Feeder Weigh-In**

March 10, 2018

### **Shooting Sports Spring Kickoff Event**

Saturday, April 7, 2018

### **4-H Exploration Days**

June 20-22, 2018

### **4-H Summer (overnight) Camp**

July 10, 11 & 12, 2018

### **4-H Cloverbud Camp**

July 17 & 18, 2018

### **Isabella County Youth & Farm Fair**

July 22 - 28, 2018

## **Isabella County 4-H Calendar**

March		
6	Teen Horse Leaders @ MSUE	6 PM
6	Horse Leaders @ MSUE	7 PM
10	Dairy Feeder Weigh-In @ Fairgrounds	8:30 - 11:30 AM
15	Small Animal Association @ MSUE	7 PM
21	Shooting Sports Committee	7 PM
27	4-H Council @ MSUE	7 PM
30	OFFICE CLOSED	12 PM

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