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Clover Chatter



Happy Holidays

The Jodies' Buzz:

We would like to wish all of our 4-H families a happy holiday season. Don't forget we are starting a new program year! There is a lot of information about upcoming meetings, fundraisers, and deadlines. Please let us know if you have any questions.

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 22, 2011**. 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 17, 2011**.
- ◆ The 2010 Bay County 4-H Awards **Banquet** will be held on **February 12, 2011**.

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 will begin in January and runs for 12 weeks on Saturdays from 4-6 p.m. This is a great opportunity to learn about archery in a safe and fun environment.

Livestock Name Change

For convenience purposes, we will continue throughout this newsletter to refer to the newly merged group as the "Livestock Association." However, in light of the livestock and horse project merger that has taken place in recent months, we are offering that the newly formed group create a new name. Please submit suggested names for the new group to MSU Extension by January 1, 2011. We will be voting at the January 20, 2011 meeting.

Congratulations Livestock Officers

Congratulations to our newly elected 2010-2011 livestock officers:

President - Kristy Brandt
Vice President - Tangella Pryor
Treasurer - Becka Doud
Secretary - Emily Brandt

2010-2011 4-H Superintendents!

Congratulations to our 2010-2011 Bay County 4-H superintendents:

Still Projects

Mary Jo Brandt
Melissa Meier

Still Projects Assistant

Michelle Field

Livestock

Mike Meier
Ami Stender
Amy Sylvester
Gordon Dubay

Horses

Marc Irish
Joann Jasman

Congratulations Advisory Council Officers

Congratulations to our newly elected 2010-2011 advisory council officers:

President: Mike Meier
Vice-President: Mary Jo Brandt
Treasurer: Chris Wazny
Secretary: Sara Jo Stender

2011 Fair Dates

The Bay County Fair will take place August 9-13, 2011.

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, 2011.

4-H Day at the Breslin

We are pleased to announce that the fifth annual MSU Extension 4-H Youth Development Day at Breslin Center will be on December 5, 2010. The basket ball game against the Texas Longhorns is FREE to all MSU Extension, 4-H members, volunteers, families, and staff.

This Big Ten game will be televised on CBS, so don't miss out on your opportunity to see a "sea of green"! If you would like to reserve tickets NOW, please contact MSU Extension-Bay County at (989) 895-4026. The deadline to call in your ticket order is Wednesday, November 10, 2010.

Wreath Sales

It's time for the annual Bay County 4-H Livestock Association wreath fundraiser! Enclosed you will find a flyer announcing the fundraiser details. Each club is asked to sell at least 20 wreaths per club. There are some important dates to keep in mind with this fundraiser. They include:

- ◆ **November 12, 2010** - The deadline to let MSU Extension - Bay County know the quantity of your orders. You can call us at (989) 895-4026 or fax your order form to (989) 895-4217. Please do this by noon. Each club is asked to sell at least 20 wreaths.
- ◆ **November 13, 2010** - MSUE will be assembling bows and tying wires on pine cones during the 4-H Bazaar. If you have not reserved a table for the bazaar but would like to participate in the day, please contact MSUE to sign-up to help.
- ◆ **November 18, 2010** - Assembly of the wreaths. This will take place at the Canteen from 5:00 p.m. until the project is complete. If you sold any wreaths you must pick them up at this time to begin delivery. We have no storage, so wreaths must be picked up that night!
- ◆ **December 1, 2010** - You must have all of your wreaths delivered.

I look forward to working with each of you to make this fundraiser a success. Please feel free to call me at (989) 895-4026, if you have any questions.

Kettunen Center Workshops

For a list of upcoming Kettunen Center workshops and their descriptions, visit <http://web1.msue.msu.edu/cyf/youth/4htrain.html>

So many deadlines, so little time!

Don't let these important deadlines slip by:

- ◆ **November 5, 2010** - Deadline to submit county award forms.
- ◆ **December 1, 2010** - Deadline to submit re-enrollment paperwork.
- ◆ **April 1, 2010** - Deadline for new members and leaders to enroll in Bay County 4-H and participate in the Bay County Fair and Youth Exposition.

4-H International Exchange Program

There are several opportunities for 4-H youth and leaders to host international exchange students and also to travel to new and exciting places.

If you are interested in getting involved in the Michigan 4-H international exchange program, please contact MSU Extension at (989) 895-4026 or visit the Michigan 4-H Global and Cultural Education website at <http://web1.msue.msu.edu/cyf/youth/culture.html>

Office Closed

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

Veterans Day

Thursday, November 11, 2010

Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 25, 2010

Friday, November 26, 2010

Office In-service

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 16, 2010

Christmas

Thursday, December 23, 2010

Friday, December 24, 2010

New Years Eve

Thursday, December 30, 2010

Friday, January 31, 2010

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Tuesday, January 18, 2011

Equifoam Sales

Don't forget that there are still several pieces of Equifoam (horse matting) for sale. The cost is \$20 for a 2 foot by 8 foot sheet. There is a discount for 4-H families.

Contact MSU Extension- Bay County at (989) 895-4026 for more information. All proceeds go toward horse barn improvements on the Bay County Fairgrounds.

Bay County 4-H Soup Supper

The 4-H Advisory Council Soup Supper is on Saturday, November 6, 2010, from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the Crump Fox Club, 760 Prevo Rd., Linwood, MI. 4-Her's can sign-up for any three shifts to count as an activity on: Friday, November 5, 2010, from 5-7 p.m. and Saturday, November 6, 2010, from 4-6 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Contact MSUE at (989) 895-4026 to sign-up.

Do Your Bit for the Bay

A very important issue facing the Great Lakes, the Saginaw Bay Watershed, and the citizens of Bay County is the preservation of our freshwater resources. The Saginaw Bay Watershed is made up of rivers, lakes, and streams that flow to the Saginaw Bay. As citizens of the watershed, it is important to realize that the way we treat our ditches, storm drains, rivers, lakes, and streams directly influences the quality of the freshwater resources we have in the Saginaw Bay and the Great Lakes.

Here are some ways that you can "Do Your Bit for the Bay":

- Facilitate the use of buffer strips around pastures or fields.
- Use acceptable livestock management practices including: using fencing, properly storing and handling manure, and using alternative water sources.
- Apply low phosphorus fertilizers and pesticides at recommended rates based on soil testing and recommendations from agronomists.
- Keep vegetative cover on fields as much as possible to minimize erosion.
- Keep a vegetative filter around drain tile inlets to prevent sedimentation.

For more information on how you can help keep the Saginaw Bay clean, contact your local MSU Extension office at (989) 895-4026 or Bay County Drain Commissioner Joseph Rivet at (989) 895-4290.



Bay County 4-H Bazaar

November 13, 2010

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Canteen Building
800 Livingston St.
Bay City, MI 48708**

**Advisory Council will be selling:
Coffee, Water, Punch, Soup, and Sloppy Joes.**

Reserve a table and sell your items:

\$5 for 4-H Members

\$10 Non-4-H Members

Contact: MSU Extension - Bay County

(989) 895-4026

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This event is sponsored by the Bay County 4-H Advisory Council



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Session Descriptions

- * **Scrap booking:** Learn the latest techniques in scrap booking using a Cricut machine. 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
- * **Electric Potato:** Who knew there were so many uses for potatoes? Learn a very unique use for potatoes. All ages. Limit 8
- * **Caramel Corn:** Did you know you can make your own caramel corn treat using a microwave. This session will teach you how! All ages. Limit 12.
- * **Valentine's Day Painted Pots:** Create a gift to keep for yourself or to give away using a flower pot and candy. 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.
- * **Edible Arrangement:** Learn how to use fruit and vegetables to create an attractive arrangement. All ages. Limit 10.
- * **Ceramics:** Have you ever wondered how to make your own ceramic project using paint? You'll learn about the basics of painting on ceramics and take home your own hand-made project. All ages. Limit 10.
- * **Glass Etching:** Learn the skill of glass etching. You'll take home your own etched project. Ages 10-19. Limit 10.
- * **Suet Cakes:** Learn how to make a yummy winter treat for your birds. All ages. Limit 12.
- * **Wire Picture Art:** Using wood, felt and wire you'll create a beautiful picture. All ages. Limit 12.
- * **Tree, Trees, Trees:** Have fun decorating a clay pot with paint and foam pieces. You will plant a tree seedling in the pot you can take home to care for over the winter. You can plant your tree outdoors in the spring or fall. You will also receive an acorn and instructions on how to care for it to plant in the fall. All ages. Limit 12.
- * **Wooden Tool Box:** Learn how to make a tool box using wood and recycled peanut butter jars. All ages. Limit 10.
- * **All Things Messy:** Get ready to use your hands to create some messy hands-on projects. All ages. Limit 12.
- * **Cookie Cutter Candles:** Use cookie cutters to make a beautiful candle. All ages. Limit 10.



MSU Extension's 4-H Youth Development Red Wings Ticket Offer

Special ticket savings available to support Michigan State University's 4-H Youth Development!

In recognition of the Michigan State University Extension's 4-H Youth Development Program, the Detroit Red Wings are pleased to extend a special savings on tickets to select November & December home games. **Each package includes 2 tickets to the game, 2 hot dogs, and 2 soft drinks for only \$48.** That's a savings of over 50% off box office prices! Come support the Red Wings at a great price and enjoy a night out in Hockeytown!

RED WINGS vs. Dallas Stars
Wednesday, November 18th at 7:30pm

RED WINGS vs. Phoenix Coyotes
Monday, December 14th at 7:30pm

Total Cost: \$48 per package! (includes 2 tickets and hot dog & soda vouchers)

To order your tickets, fill out the order form below and fax your order to (313) 396-7014. For more information or to purchase your tickets by phone, call Erich Freiny at (313) 396-7576 or email erich.freiny@hockeytown.com.

*Ticket quantities are limited and are available while supplies last. No refunds or exchanges.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Select Game Date:

Wednesday, November 18th vs. Dallas at 7:30pm
of packages purchased ____ @ \$48 = \$_____

Monday, December 14th vs. Phoenix at 7:30pm
of packages purchased ____ @ \$48 = \$_____

Handling fee \$5 per order

ORDER TOTAL: \$_____

Method of Payment (please circle):

Visa, Mastercard, Discover, American Express, Check (do not mail cash)

Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____

All orders received within 7 days of the event will be left at the Will Call Window at the Box Office (ID Req.)

Will Call Name: _____

Email, Fax, or Phone to:

Detroit Red Wings

Attn: Erich Freiny

19 Steve Yzerman Dr

Detroit, MI 48226

Phone: 313-396-7576

Fax: 313-396-7014

erich.freiny@hockeytown.com

Box Office Use: Accn # _____

Location: _____

Bay County 4-H Livestock Association

4-H Wreath



Fundraiser

- * Wreaths are 18 inches and made of balsam fir.
- * Each wreath is hand - decorated by 4-H members.
- * The cost for each wreath is \$20.
- * The deadline to order is November 12, 2010, and wreaths will be delivered by December 1, 2010.
- * To place an order contact a 4-H family or MSU Extension - Bay County (989) 895-4026.

Order now limited quantity!

*Send Payments to: MSU Extension - Bay County
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5 Deadline: Submit award forms	6
7	8	9	10 Deadline: To reserve tickets for 4-H Day at the Breslin Center	11 Office Closed Veterans Day	12 Wreath orders due to MSUE	13 4-H Bazaar 10am- 4pm Canteen Bldg
14	15	16	17	18 Wreath Assembly and pick-up mtg 5 p.m. Canteen 4-H Red Wings game 7:30 pm	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Office Closed Thanksgiving	26 Office Closed Thanksgiving	27
28	29	30				

DECEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Deadline: Re-enrollment paperwork to MSUE. Wreaths must be delivered	2	3	4
5 4-H Day at the Breslin Center	6	7	8	9	10 Michigan Winter Classic, MSU	11 Michigan Winter Classic, MSU
12 Michigan Winter Beef Classic, MSU	13	14 4-H Red Wings game 7:30 pm	15	16 Office Closed 3-5 p.m. Staff in-service	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 Office Closed Christmas Eve	24 Office Closed Christmas Day	25
26	27	28	29	30 Office Closed New Year's Eve	31 Office Closed New Year's Day	

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