

# CHANNEL 4-H NEWS

MSU Extension - Isabella County

October 2011

## NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

OCTOBER 2-8, 2011

### 4-H Recognition Banquet

Thursday, October 6  
Sacred Heart Parish Hall  
6:30 pm

All 4-H families are invited to help us recognize accomplishments of 4-H youth and leaders.

### 2011-2012 4-H Club Enrollments

4-H club enrollments are due Monday, October 31st for members and leaders who are re-enrolling in Isabella County 4-H. All members and leaders are required to pay for accident insurance by October 31st. Horse members and leaders involved in speed events must pay \$3 and all other members and leaders must pay \$1. This payment should be made to your Administrative Leader and they will submit the payment for the entire club to the MSU Extension office.

### 4-H Science Blast

Tuesday, October 4 from 5 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., at Jay's Sporting Goods

Hands on, fun science activities for all community youth. Come to the event and bring your friends! Hosted by Clare & Isabella County 4-H.

### Premium Checks

**Fairboard statement...** Premium checks have not yet been issued and will be sent as funds are made available. The Fair Board apologizes for the delay however there are some bills that must take precedence. Congratulations to everyone on a very successful fair and we look forward to seeing you at the various banquet opportunities this fall!

### Teen Representatives Needed for 4-H Council

If you are interested in being a teen representative on 4-H Council, please submit an application to the Extension Office. The application is online or contact our office. Teens must be enrolled in a teen leadership project.

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## CLUB CORNER

**Aim High** - - Aim High 4-H Club enjoyed their September meeting - always a chicken meal with lots of other good food since that's what they cook when working at the foodstand during fair week. Their October 17th meeting will be re-enrollment night.

**Bowen Busy Bees** - Bowen Busy Bees met and congratulated everyone on a very successful year. Those members winning a grand and/or reserve champion placing were specifically recognized. Community service, fundraising, project and fun events for the next year were discussed with more details to come at the next meeting. Comments and suggestions from this year's fair were shared as well as the date for 2012.

**Mountain Eagles** - Mountain Eagles will be having an ice cream social in October to welcome new members and to celebrate everyone's achievements at fair. We are looking forward to a great year!!!

## State Horse Show Results

Congratulations to all the State 4-H Horse Show participants! We had 7 exhibitors this year. Placings are as follows:

**Maikayla Bellinger:** Inside English Pleasure, Hunt Seat - 14 year old - 6th place  
Hunter Hack - 14 year old - 8th place

**Maria Borton:** Trail - 15 year old - 6th place

**Devin Brown:** Keyhole Race - 16-17 year olds - 2nd split - 2nd place  
Cloverleaf Barrels - 16-17 year olds - 1st place

**Kolby Brown:** Trail - 16 year old - 4th place  
Showmanship - 16 year old - 1st place  
Stock Seat Equitation - 16 year old - 5th place  
Western Pleasure - 16 year old - 4th place

**Ashlyn Davis:** 2nd Split Dressage Seat Equitation - 13-15 year olds - 7th place  
Hunter Hack - 13 year old - 2nd place

**Cade Lilly:** Keyhole Race - 13-14 year olds - 1st place  
Pole Bending - 13-14 year olds - 1st place

**Kaley Lilly:** 2nd Split - Cloverleaf Barrels - 16-17 year olds - 6th place  
Keyhole Race - 16-17 year olds - 4th place  
Indiana Flag Race - 16-17 year olds - 3rd place

## Program Evaluation Notice

As a participant in the 4-H program your child may be asked to help with the evaluation of the program. Your child may be asked to complete a short survey about what he/she learned or did as a result of the program. Surveys could be given before the program begins and/ or after the program has ended. Surveys take no more than 10 minutes to complete. All surveys are confidential. Youth are not required to participate in the evaluation. If you or your child does not wish to participate it will not affect involvement in any programs of Michigan State University. If you do not want your child to participate in program evaluations or have questions about the evaluation, contact Monica at the Extension office.

## Small Animal News

- All 4-H & FFA members who sold in the 30th Auction this summer are encouraged to attend the Buyers' Appreciation Banquet on Monday, October 24th. Your invitation letters with more details will be mailed out very soon.
- Then there is a Small Animal Association meeting on Thursday, November 17th, to begin planning next year's fair. All Small Animal superintendents, leaders, and members are welcome to attend at the 4-H Office at 7:00 p.m.



# **4-H WORKSHOPS**

*Registration fee for these workshops is paid by the Isabella County 4-H Program Council for all enrolled teen (ages 13 and up) and adult 4-H volunteers.*

*To register contact the MSU Extension office at 772-0911 ext. 302.*

## **4-H Proud Equestrian Program New Instructor Training Update**

**October 22-23, 2011 – Kellogg Biological Station**

This conference provides continuing education for current 4-H PEP certified instructors. Attendance is required at either the fall 2011 or fall 2012 Instructor Update to maintain 4-H PEP Instructor status. The program is also open to PATH (formerly NARHA) certified instructors and those interested in therapeutic riding. Sessions include topics related to instructing therapeutic riding, working with youth with special needs, and horse management and care. Open to 4-H Proud Equestrian Program instructors, instructors in training. The program is also open to NARHA certified instructors and those with an interest in therapeutic riding. *This workshop is presented with support from the **Accident Fund Holdings**.*

## **4-H Rabbit & Cavy Teen & Adult Volunteer Leader Workshop**

**November 18-20, 2011 – Kettunen Center**

Participants in this exciting training opportunity will gain new ideas and information about the rabbit and cavy project areas. Participants will choose from a variety of topics including management, health, nutrition, breeding, animal evaluation, crafts, games, showmanship and fun 4-H club activities. The workshop will provide adult and teen leaders, 13 and up, the opportunity to exchange ideas, make new friends and explore new areas with other individuals who are interested in rabbits and cavies.

## **4-H Adult Horse Volunteer Leaders Conference**

**December 2-4, 2011 – Kettunen Center**

This workshop is designed for adult leaders who are involved with county 4-H Horse programs. Topics include updates on current subject matter in the horse area and information to assist leaders in youth development, leadership skills for youth, youth activities and opportunities beyond a county program. Interaction with leaders from different counties is encouraged, for exchanging of ideas and programs and meeting other volunteers in the same interest area. Participants are expected to share the information and experiences gained at this conference with fellow 4-H'ers in their counties. Adults only.

## **4-H Teen Leadership & Community Change Conference**

**January 21-22, 2012 – Kettunen Center**

This powerful 2012 conference brings teens, ages 14 and up, from across the state to learn youth leadership and community change skills. Following are comments from the 2011 conference participants: "This conference makes me feel as if I can change the world." "I personally loved this workshop; not only did I learn new leadership techniques, but I also learned a lot about myself." From an adult chaperone participant: "This conference was interactive, dynamic and perfectly geared toward youth!" The conference announcement, available on the 4-H website, will have complete descriptions for all sessions offered. *This workshop is presented with support from **the Sandra Clarkson Stuckman Endowment and the Turner-Ousterhout Endowment of the Michigan 4-H Foundation**.*

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## Isabella County 4-H Calendar

October		
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4	Teen Horse Leaders @ MSUE	6:15 pm
4	Horse Leaders @ MSUE	7 pm
4	4-H Science Blast @ Jay's Sporting Goods	5 pm
6	4-H Recognition Banquet @ SHA Parish Hall	6:30 pm
12	4-H Shooting Sports Committee @ MSUE	7 pm
20	Small Animal Association @ MSUE	7 pm
24	Small Animal Banquet @ SHA Parish Hall	6:30 pm
25	4-H Council @ MSUE	7 pm

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