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4-H Millionaire's creating money smart youth

Michigan 4-H youth are learning how to become millionaires by learning the skills of saving regularly, making good financial decisions and investing wisely.

4-H Millionaire's, a new 4-H financial literacy curriculum, funded by a grant from the **Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) Investor Education Foundation**, will teach youth these vital skills in a new way.

The FINRA Investor Education Foundation provides underserved Americans with the knowledge, skills and tools necessary for financial success throughout life. Established in 2003, the FINRA Foundation supports innovative research and educational projects aimed at segments of the investing public that could benefit from additional resources.

"The 4-H Millionaire's grant is a curriculum development project that incorporates core concepts of general financial education and beginning investing information for teens," said Erica Tobe, 4-H Millionaire's project consultant.

"The curriculum, which will be online at eXtension.org, is geared toward work with 4-H clubs, schools and after-school programs."

"This curriculum will give teens a first step in understanding the basics of investing and money management techniques in a fun and interactive way," Tobe said.

In addition to curriculum development, the grant supports marketing and promotion of the Web site, presenting at a national conference and evaluation of the curriculum.

The curriculum is currently being piloted in **Alpena, Barry, Chippewa, Hillsdale, Leelanau, Mason, Menominee, Ogemaw, St. Clair and Wayne counties**.

The target is to launch the curriculum by the end of the year on eXtension.org, a national interactive learning environment connecting consumers with experts who know their subject matter inside out.

Leelanau County MSU Extension is partnering with Leland High School to pilot the new curriculum in one of its classes.

"I want kids to have a sound future and to be able to think about finances when they are young," said Barb Duvall, 4-H Extension educator in Leelanau County. "Starting early is key. Starting young makes a huge difference."

Financial literacy programs are nothing new to Leelanau County. For the past three years, 12 4-H'ers and their parents have learned money management skills through the Leelanau County 4-H Millionaire's Club.

The goal of the club was to develop financially literate youth who have the knowledge and skills to create a more secure economic future.

Every member received \$53, donated by a local bank, to open a

bank account (with a lock on the accounts until the program was over). Members earned money outside of the sessions to invest in their account (\$5 the first year, \$8 the second year and \$10 the third year). As a matching incentive, members received money towards their accounts for each time they attended a session. Parents also received a \$10 gas card for each session.

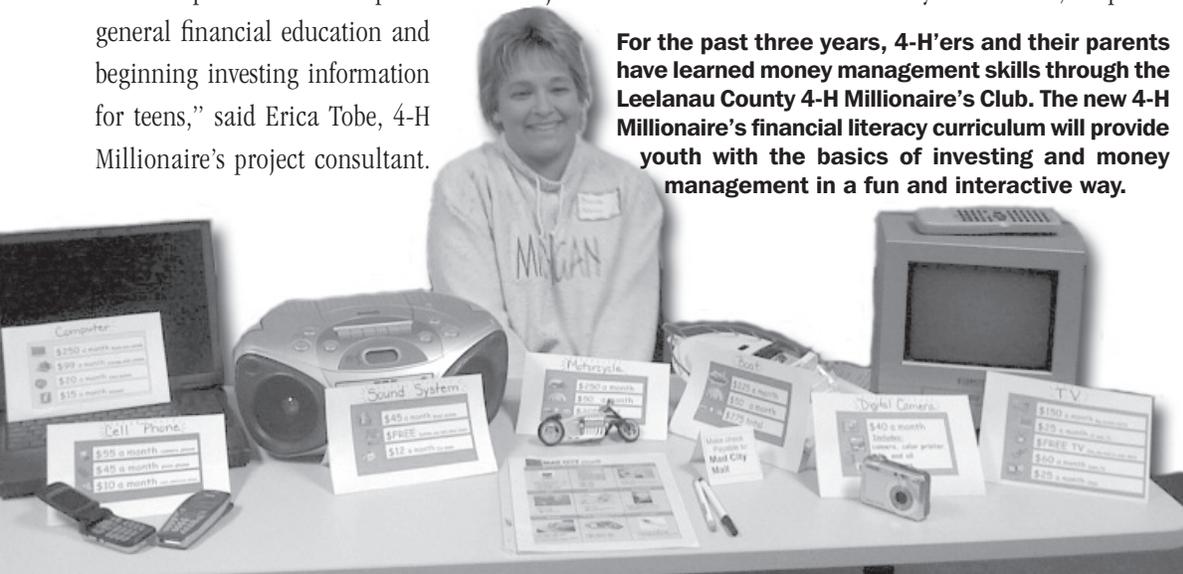
"The evaluations showed that all the incentives worked really, really well," Duvall said. "Youth brought their investment each week and attendance was good. Some kids even deposited additional money on their own. It was a very successful program."

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For the past three years, 4-H'ers and their parents have learned money management skills through the Leelanau County 4-H Millionaire's Club. The new 4-H Millionaire's financial literacy curriculum will provide youth with the basics of investing and money management in a fun and interactive way.



Antrim County 4-H Council creates new county fund

Antrim County has made a long-term investment in 4-H by establishing a fund with the Michigan 4-H Foundation.

The Antrim County 4-H Council created the **Antrim County 4-H Youth Development Fund**, a county investment fund more commonly called a county fund, to support Antrim County 4-H programs well into the future.

A county fund is a method of earning investment proceeds on money that can be returned to the county at any time. The foundation invests the funds strategically to help grow the corpus of the fund. A minimum of \$5,000 is required to establish a county fund.

“Educating our 4-H members and leaders is our focus.”

— Peggy Kole, Antrim County 4-H Council treasurer

The foundation also manages county funds that provide for annual support for 4-H programs in Barry, Hillsdale, Huron, Kent, Lapeer, Lenawee, Oakland and St. Joseph counties.

Peggy Kole is a longtime Antrim County 4-H volunteer. She has been involved with the Antrim County 4-H Council for 15 years and has served the past six years as its treasurer.

“Over the years, the Antrim

County 4-H Council has done well at fundraising. Every three years we sell plat books. Because of that, and other fundraisers, we’ve been fortunate to have funds to support our county 4-H program,” Kole said.

“We realized that we were getting flush and wanted to protect that money for the future.

“We had our funds in certificates of deposit. It wasn’t getting any reward or incentive any more. We looked at various foundations, and the Michigan 4-H Foundation fit. We chose a county fund as it has more flexibility,” Kole said.

Dee Miller, Antrim County MSU Extension 4-H educator, agrees.

“We’ve been managing it too long. I know the Michigan 4-H Foundation is very astute and careful with the funds,” Miller said.

Interest from the Antrim County 4-H Youth Development Fund will support 4-H programs in Antrim County.

The Antrim County 4-H Council provides scholarships for volunteer training, state events including 4-H Exploration Days and 4-H Capitol Experience and national 4-H trips. It also provides scholarships to graduating seniors. The new county fund will be a source of funding for these and other 4-H experiences.

“Educating our 4-H members and leaders is our focus,” Kole said.

Calendar

March 14-April 30 – “Butterflies in the Garden” exhibit at the Indoor 4-H Children’s Garden.

April 1 – The outdoor Michigan 4-H Children’s Gardens open. The gardens are open from dawn until dusk.

April 9 – Getting Kids Outdoors: A Spring Family Event at Kettunen Center. This event features birding, forest hikes, gardening, fishing and much more from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit www.kettunencenter.org or call (231) 829-3421 for details. Cost: \$7/person, including lunch.

May 18-20 – Former Michigan 4-H Workers Reunion at Kettunen Center. See ad on this page for details.

July 21-23 – National Children and Youth Garden Symposium at Michigan 4-H Children’s Gardens.

August 13 – Kettunen Center 50th Anniversary Celebration at Kettunen Center.

January 31, 2012 – 4-H Emerald Clover Society Class of 2012 nomination deadline. For the nomination packet, visit www.mi4hfdtn.org/ecs.

4-H Millionaire’s

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Brittany Adams, a 4-H Millionaire’s Club member, says she learned a lot.

“We went over the basics of saving money, looking for good deals, what we should buy.

“I would do it again if I had the chance. It was a good learning experience and I really enjoyed it. It was cool to get together with other kids, and I got to know other people.”

The youth learned about needs versus wants, saving, budgeting, credit, goal setting, bargain shopping and more. Their parents, who met separately, learned about earned income credit, insurance, identity theft, budgeting and investing.

The parents also helped facilitate Mad City Money, a hands-on simulation where youth take on the role of adults, with occupation, salary, spouse, student loan debt, credit card debt, and medical insurance payments. Parents took on roles as merchants and as fate, providing the youth with unexpected bills and life events.

“I thought the Mad City Money was pretty fun. We got to learn to write checks; that was pretty cool,” Adams said. “The parents were responsible for setting up a shop like real-life situations – to buy a house, car, food. We’d have to pick if we wanted to buy expensive or cheap. We had to pay bills and keep \$100 in our bank accounts at the end of the month. It was real-life situations.”

“The purpose of our 4-H Millionaires Club was to help these kids have a sound future,” Duvall said.

Former Michigan 4-H Workers Reunion

May 18-20 at Kettunen Center

The tri-annual reunion for all persons formerly associated with Michigan 4-H as employees.

Highlights include updates on MSU Extension, 4-H, the Michigan 4-H Foundation and Kettunen Center. Ample time for fellowship is built into the agenda.

Rooms have been reserved in Red Oak and White Pine halls.

Help build the mailing list! Send names and addresses to Larry Johnson at johns153@msu.edu or (616) 396-1426.

Trustees re-elected and new trustees appointed

Board of trustee elections were held during the Michigan 4-H Foundation annual membership meeting Oct. 1.

Trustees are volunteers who serve as community advocates for 4-H and lead and manage the operation of the Michigan 4-H Foundation.

Polly Diehl, of Holland; **Allan Hooper**, Jackson; **Doug Lewis**, Milan and **Ronald Schoen**, Okemos, were reelected to three-year terms on the Michigan 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees.

Julie A. Chapin, of Portland, and **Dee L. Miller**, Kalkaska, were recently appointed to the Michigan 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees.

Effective July 1, Chapin became director of the MSU Extension Institute for Children and Youth and in that role also serves as Michigan's state 4-H leader, a permanent trustee position on the Michigan 4-H Foundation board. In 1981, she began her career as an MSU Extension 4-H youth agent, served as the youth animal science specialist and as the state 4-H program leader for volunteer development. She is recognized nationally for her leadership in convening and directing the National Center for Action in Science and Technology and the National Network for Science and Technology, both dedicated to expanding youth opportunities to explore science and technology through formal and nonformal learning opportunities. She also helped launch the 4-H Club Read youth literacy initiative in response to Michigan's commitment to have every child reading by grade three. She has been honored for her Extension service with the Michigan and National Distinguished Service Awards. Chapin is a Portland Band Booster member and works with youth as a tae kwon do instructor. She also volunteers in her community for the American Cancer Society and the Portland Habitat for Humanity.



Julie A. Chapin

Miller replaced Mark Williams, Hillsdale County MSU Extension director, in a three-year term as the representative of the Michigan Council of Extension Associations (MCEA) effective Oct. 1. Miller serves as an Extension educator with the MSU Extension Children and Youth Institute. She previously served as a 4-H program associate and office manager for Antrim County MSU Extension. Miller served as the Michigan Association of Extension 4-H Youth Staff (MAE4-HYS) treasurer for five years, was a member of both the 4-H Citizenship, Leadership and Service and Future Millionaire's Club work teams, and served as the county staff representative on the Michigan 4-H Foundation's finance committee from 2008 to 2010. She presented at the MAC Conference on youth leadership in local government, and at 4-H Exploration Days, and was a co-planner for youth at the Northern Michigan Small Farm Conference.



Dee L. Miller

New officers lead foundation

Smallwood Holoman, Jr., of Midland, was elected president of the Michigan 4-H Foundation at the fall board meeting Oct. 1.

Holoman succeeds **Jamey T. Fitzpatrick**, of Grand Ledge, as the 26th president of the foundation. Fitzpatrick became the immediate past president.



Smallwood Holoman, Jr.

The president provides leadership to the board of trustees and works closely with the executive director to achieve the foundation's mission and objectives.

Until retiring in 2009, Holoman worked for the Dow Chemical Company, based in Midland, for more than 30 years. He worked on the executive staff managing corporate philanthropy programs involving diverse communities, Dow Diversity and Dow Promise. He served six years as a Delta College trustee, is past president of the Midland Public Schools Board of Education and is vice president of the Midland County Council on Aging, Senior Services. He currently serves as a Saginaw Community Foundation trustee and is its liaison to the United Way of Saginaw County. He is also chair of the Saginaw County Promise (America's Promise) Steering Committee and a board member of the Saginaw County Youth Protection Council.

Also elected: as vice president, **David Ramaker**, Midland, Chemical Financial Corporation president and CEO; as treasurer, **Ronald Schoen**, Okemos, Accident Fund Company executive vice president and CFO; and as secretary, **Julie Chapin**, Portland, state 4-H leader and director of the MSU Extension Institute for Children and Youth.

House honored as trustee emeritus

George E. House, of Ada, was elected trustee emeritus at the Oct. 1 annual membership meeting. House served as a Michigan 4-H Foundation trustee for 30 years (1979-2009) serving as president, vice president and treasurer. House is currently executive director of Michigan Allied Poultry Industries and previously served as vice president of Hamilton Farm Bureau Cooperative and president of AgriDirections, Inc. House served as a member of the board's finance committee for many years and chaired the personnel committee. He also provided trustee leadership to the Vision 2021 renovations at Kettunen Center. He and his wife, Deanna, created the foundation's first unrestricted endowed fund, The Founder's Fund. He and Deanna continue to volunteer with 4-H at both the county and state level.



George E. House

Estate gifts fund core 4-H foundation missions

Estate gifts received in recent months from **Benjamin and Norma Westrate, Jack and Betty Barnes, Dorothy Scott and Mary Van Allsburg** will support several endowment funds, 4-H volunteer training, capacity building and 4-H's areas of greatest need.

These gifts will make a difference by meeting several critical 4-H needs. They helped pave the entry road to Kettunen Center – 4-H Drive – supported 4-H vol-

unteer training scholarships and grew endowment funds that support volunteerism. The Westrate Family Fund, Michigan 4-H Legacy Fund, Michigan 4-H Volunteer Recognition Fund and Founder's Fund have all grown significantly as a result of these estate gifts. For example, the Westrate Family Fund is now over 10 times larger.

The Michigan 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees also created the **Dorothy Scott Memorial Tribute**

Fund for Areas of Greatest Need, a new quasi-endowment honoring Scott's legacy gift to support 4-H.

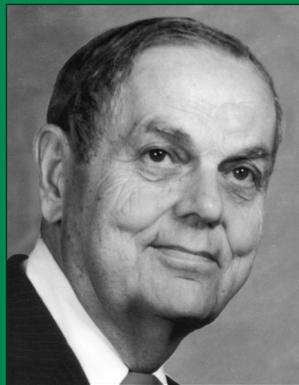
Planned gift donors are recognized as members of the A.G. Kettunen Society, established in 2007 to provide lifetime recognition to donors who have made documented legacy commitments to 4-H. It allows donors to share their wishes and the impact they would like to see their gift make to benefit Michigan's youth. A.G. Kettunen Society members receive a

recognition certificate, permanent acknowledgement as legacy donors in the foundation's annual report, and, for gifts that exceed \$25,000 at maturity, recognition as Cornerstone Society members.

The Michigan 4-H Foundation invites any donor considering a planned gift to contact Cheryl Howell, the foundation's executive director at (517) 353-6692 or by e-mail at chowell@msu.edu to verify that your gift intent can be met.

In memory of Benjamin and Norma Westrate

Benjamin Westrate, the second executive director of the Michigan 4-H Foundation, died Jan. 5, 2011. He was preceded in death by his wife, Norma, on August 24, 2010. A Michigan State College graduate, Westrate served in the U.S. Air Force from 1942 to 1944 and spent 13 years as the Bay and Delta County 4-H youth agent and Upper Peninsula assistant state 4-H leader.



Ben Westrate

He became the Michigan 4-H Foundation executive director when Howard Worthington, the foundation's first executive director, suddenly died in 1957. Westrate was executive director for 12 years and led the foundation through the initial campaign, construction and opening of Kettunen Center, the first 4-H volunteer training center in the United States. He also served as a planned gifts adviser to the Michigan 4-H Foundation in 1979-80.

Westrate was an Ottawa County 4-H'er and Michigan 4-H Foundation honorary trustee. He was named a 4-H Emerald Clover Society member and received the Michigan 4-H Citation Award. In the 1980s, Ben and Norma Westrate created the Westrate Family Endowment Fund of the Michigan 4-H Foundation to recognize and honor 4-H volunteers. Strong supporters of 4-H, the Westrates were also Cornerstone Society members. Donations in their memory will support the Westrate Family Fund.

Jack and Betty Barnes

Jack and Betty Barnes, of East Lansing, died Feb. 20 and May 22, 2010, respectively. Jack Barnes served as a Michigan 4-H Foundation trustee from 1975 to 1984 and as president from 1978 to 1980. He was elected trustee emeritus in 1985. Barnes graduated from Michigan State College in 1943 with a bachelor's degree in agriculture. In 1946, he began a 39-year-career with the Michigan Milk Producers Association, serving for the last 26 years as the MMPA general manager. As a Branch County 4-H alumnus, Barnes was honored as a 4-H Emerald Clover Society member. He also received the Michigan 4-H Distinguished Service Award. The Barnes' were Cornerstone Society members, annual donors to 4-H, and they created the Jack and Betty Barnes Tribute Fund in the 1980s with gifts honoring Jack's retirement. The fund supports 4-H volunteer training for 4-H nutrition and dairy science programs and for volunteers who work with youth with disabilities.

Dorothy Scott

Dorothy Scott, of Petoskey (Emmet County) died April 15, 2001. She worked 25 years for MSU Extension serving as a home demonstration agent in Alpena, Alcona, Iosco and Oscoda counties and later as an Extension home economist until she retired in 1966. Upon her beneficiaries' deaths, the Michigan 4-H Foundation received a portion of Scott's estate. The Michigan 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees honored her by creating the Dorothy Scott Memorial Tribute Fund.

Mary Van Allsburg

Mary Van Allsburg of Muskegon, died Dec. 20, 2009. She began her career as a teacher and 4-H leader. She later taught at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, and in West Virginia. She served as an Extension home demonstration agent in Menominee, Antrim, Crawford, Kalkaska and Chippewa counties and later as Extension home economist in Chippewa County. She ended her career as a social worker. Van Allsburg was a 4-H Emerald Clover Society member and Oceana County 4-H'er. She founded Wee Care, a smocking group that donated infant gowns to local hospitals.

Kettunen Center: 50 years of training 4-H volunteers

This year, 2011, marks the 50th anniversary of Kettunen Center.

Kettunen Center opened in May 1961 as the first 4-H volunteer training center in the nation. The center was a dream of A.G. Kettunen, state 4-H leader from 1925 to 1956. He envisioned a site where 4-H could grow through the training of its volunteers and members.

In 1956, four years after the Michigan 4-H Foundation was incorporated, the foundation purchased property in rural Osceola County. Later that year, the foundation launched its first major fundraising campaign to construct "Camp Kett," renamed "Kettunen Center" in 1972. Although A.G. Kettunen died in 1959 and did not see his dream made real, the center continues to bear his name.



Save the Date!
Kettunen Center 50th Anniversary Celebration
Sat., Aug. 13, 2011
at Kettunen Center

The center has been through two major renovations. The first, Kettunen Center Improvement Project, resulted in the construction of an earth-sheltered house for the Kettunen Center director in 1980. Vision 2021 resulted in the addition of the Mawby Learning Center and Red Oak Hall, renovations to Aspen and Birch lodges, and new dining and administration facilities.



New for 2011 was the 4-H Entrepreneurship Workshop held Feb. 12-13 at Kettunen Center and sponsored by the Kauffman Foundation.

4-H volunteers have been attending 4-H workshops at Kettunen Center for half a century.

Each year a variety of 4-H workshops serve approximately 1,800 4-H teen and adult volunteers. Donors to the Michigan 4-H Foundation make it possible to cover 60 percent of the cost for 4-H volunteers to attend 4-H workshops.

Each of this year's 4-H workshops has an entrepreneurship focus provided by a grant from the **Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation**.

Several new 4-H workshops were launched this year including the 4-H Science Workshop, 4-H Entrepreneurship Workshop and

the 4-H Recreation Leadership and Camp Counselor Workshop.

The high level of excellence that A.G. Kettunen established for Michigan 4-H continues today through the 4-H volunteer training that takes place at Kettunen Center.

- 2010-11 4-H workshop sponsors:**
- Accident Fund Insurance Company of America
 - American Dairy Association of Michigan
 - Country Fresh, Inc.
 - Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation
 - Hal and Jean Glassen Memorial Foundation
 - Michigan Electric Cooperative Association
 - Michigan Milk Producers Association
 - Michigan Pork Producers Association
 - W. A. Dart Foundation

Newaygo County 4-H volunteer receives MFB 4-H Excellence in Agriculture Award



Newaygo County 4-H volunteer Dale Grabill (left) received the fourth annual Michigan Farm Bureau 4-H Excellence in Agriculture Award Dec. 1 at the MFB 91st annual meeting in Grand Rapids. He is pictured with MFB Young Farmer representative Joe Ott.

Mini grants fund local 4-H projects

Three new \$1,000 Dow Chemical County 4-H Youth Conservation Council Grants, funded by the **Dow Chemical Company Foundation**, were awarded to **Hillsdale, Muskegon and Osceola** counties to create county youth conservation councils for teens to learn about local environmental issues and influence public policy in their local governments.

Leelanau County received a \$500 On-Target 4-H Shooting Sports Grant to start a 4-H shooting sports program. The grant, funded by **Thomas Cobb**, former Michigan 4-H Foundation trustee, helps counties enhance 4-H shooting sports programs, develop a new program or offer a special experience related to 4-H shooting sports.

Jackson National sponsors butterflies for second year

Jackson National Life Insurance Company has partially sponsored the 2011 Butterflies in the Garden exhibit for a second year.

Jackson provides support for community programs through the Jackson National Community Fund (JNCF). Employees serve on the JNCF Advisory Committee, making recommendations on all grant requests. Corporate donations and sponsorships are directed to community enrichment programs, institutions of higher learning and charitable organizations, with a particular focus on organizations, programs and events dedicated to enhancing the lives of children and the elderly.

"The Jackson National Community Fund focuses on programs which benefit children and the elderly," said Danielle Weller, corporate responsibility specialist for Jackson National Life. "We also look for cross-partnerships. The Butterflies in the Garden program met these criteria.

"The advisory committee thought of all the wonderful things 4-H has to offer and the 4-H

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— Danielle Weller, Jackson National Life corporate responsibility specialist

partnership with Michigan State University. It's also an opportunity for students to go on a field trip," Weller said.

"We also look at how well the finances are designed, how efficient the program is and that a majority of the funding goes to the program. It also makes a difference if employees can participate in the project. This was a perfect example," she said.

Last year Jackson National employees had a Butterfly Family Day at the Indoor 4-H Children's Garden. About 300 employees attended the event.

"That was such a wonderful gift," Weller said. "People just loved it! Lots of our employees have families and like to do things in the Lansing community. It means a lot



to them! People got to walk around the horticulture gardens and MSU. It's something we can take advantage of year round."

"We at Jackson are so impressed with all that 4-H is doing, not just the gardens but the core values Michigan 4-H provides. We are really impressed with the work you are doing," she said.

The butterflies are on display from March 14 to April 30 in the Indoor 4-H Children's Garden at Michigan State University. It is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily (including weekends), except during scheduled tours, which typically take place on weekday mornings. Admission is free, but donations are appreciated. There is a parking fee on weekdays. Visit www.4hgarden.msu.edu/butterflies for more information.

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The butterfly exhibit kicks off the 2011 season for the 4-H Children's Gardens. The garden will host a variety of programs for youth and families including Garden Discovery Days, one-day specialty programs around various themes; Camp Monet and Garden Writers Workshop, both day camps using the garden for art inspiration; and the Stories in the Garden, Stories for Sprouts and Seedlings and Strolling with the Story Teller programs which all use books to connect with the gardens.

For the complete family program schedule with event descriptions, visit www.mi4hfdtn.org or call (517) 355-5191, ext. 1-327.



Last April, about 300 Jackson National Life employees attended a Butterfly Family Day at the Indoor 4-H Children's Garden.

Spring & Summer 2011 4-H Children's Gardens Schedule

Garden Discovery Days

Butterfly Day—April 30, 10 a.m. –noon

Mother's Day—May 8, 10 a.m. –noon

Garden Geocache Event—June 11, 11 a.m.–2 p.m.

Mad Hatter Tea Party—June 16, 10 a.m. –noon

Father's Day—June 19, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Train Day—July 14, 1–3 p.m.

Bug Day—July 28, 10 a.m.–noon

An Evening in the Garden—Aug. 12, 8–10 p.m.

Splendid Stories

Stories in the Garden—June 28, 10–11:30 a.m.; July 22, 7–8:30 p.m. and Aug. 11, 7–8:30 p.m.

Stories for Sprouts and Seedlings—Mar. 15, Apr. 19, May 17, June 21, July 19, Aug. 16, Sept. 20, Oct. 18 & Nov. 15 from 10–11 a.m.

Strolling with the Story Teller—June 14, July 19 and Aug. 23 from 7-8 p.m.

Curiosity Camps

Garden Writers Workshop—July 11–13, 10 a.m.–noon

Camp Monet—Aug. 9–11, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Just for Garden Lovers!

Garden Work Party—April 23 and May 14, 9 a.m. –noon, rain or shine

Plant Sale—June 4, 7 a.m.–2 p.m.

Visit www.mi4hfdtn.org for the complete schedule with event descriptions, costs and details. Registration is required for all events.

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The Michigan 4-H Foundation is licensed to solicit charitable gifts by the state of Michigan (MICS 2751). A report containing percentages of charitable contributions expended on program administration and fundraising is available by request.

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In the News

Michigan ranked first in the nation in fall TSC campaign

Michigan 4-H raised nearly \$20,000 surpassing all other states in the fall **Tractor Supply Company** (TSC) paper clover promotion in November. TSC stores will again be selling paper clovers for \$1 each to support 4-H April 15 to 25.

Burkhardt honored as CANR honorary alumnus

Sheila Burkhardt, Michigan 4-H Foundation trustee and 4-H Emerald Clover Society member, was recently honored as an MSU College of Agriculture and Natural Resources (CANR) honorary alumnus. Burkhardt has served as a foundation trustee since 2005.

Armstrong named Cal Poly president

Trustee **Jeffrey Armstrong** has left MSU to serve as president of California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo. Armstrong had served as the dean of the MSU College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and a Michigan 4-H Foundation trustee since July 2001. Douglas Buhler has been named interim dean.

GLEP recognized nationally

The **Great Lakes Education Program** (GLEP) was recently named a 4-H Program of Distinction by National 4-H Headquarters. GLEP, based in Macomb and Wayne counties, is a youth water education program that includes a field trip aboard a ship. GLEP is partially funded by a 4-H₂O grant from National 4-H Council by **Toyota USA**.

CORPORATE Clover Club

Thanks to our Corporate Clover Club members!

The Corporate Clover Club is an annual giving program recognizing corporate and business gifts over \$1,000. Between July 1, 2010, and Feb. 28, 2011, corporate gifts were received from:

- **American Dairy Association of Michigan**
- **Country Fresh, LLC**
- **Jackson National Life Insurance Company**
- **Knappen Milling Company**
- **McCartney & Company, P.C.**
- **MetLife Foundation**
- **Michigan Electric Cooperative Association**
- **Michigan Farm Bureau**
- **Michigan Milk Producers Association**
- **Toyota USA**
- **Tractor Supply Company**
- **W.A. Dart Foundation**