

**Michigan State University Extension
4-H Leaders' and Teachers' Workshop for
Project F.I.S.H.!**
Learn How to Mentor Youth in the Outdoors!
(Workshop #421)

PLACE:

Kettunen Center, Tustin, MI

TIME:

Friday, May 18 through Sunday May 20, 2007
Check-in and registration: 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Friday

PROGRAM:

Begins with dinner on Friday, continues through lunch on Sunday

COST:

The fee for 4-H volunteers who attend the workshop is \$112. Extension staff, including educators, program associates and assistants, who bring a volunteer leader to the workshop, will be charged the reduced volunteer rate of \$112. The remainder of their expenses will be covered by donations to the Michigan 4-H Foundation. This \$112 fee includes \$48 towards meals and lodging and a \$64 material and resource fee. The \$64 material and resource fee covers the for lots of great educational materials (fishing rod and reel, 144 piece tackle box plus extra tackle you make, a Backyard Bass casting game, The Walk and Project FISH curriculum and the Hooked on Fishing, Not on Drugs curriculum) and resource people for this workshop. (These materials would cost far more if you purchased them elsewhere or separately! Also participants will gain access to National contacts for even more low cost teaching materials.) All other expenses for 4-H participants are sponsored by donors to the Michigan 4-H Foundation.

The fee for all Extension staff, including educators, program associates and assistants who do **not** bring a leader is \$195.50. Personnel from other agencies would also pay \$195.50 This fee includes \$131.50 towards meals and lodging plus the \$64 materials and resource fee listed above.

All fees must be prepaid at your local county MSU Extension office before you arrive at the site. Persons canceling without a replacement, after May 9, 2007 will be charged the resource fee. Anyone (including resource people and staff) who does not cancel in writing to lentzbis@msu.edu 48 hours before the workshop will be billed a \$64 no show fee.

RESERVATIONS:

Reservations must be received in the County MSU Extension office by May 4, 2007. Reservations received after this date may not be accepted. Reservations are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please use workshop #421 when registering on the MSUE 4-H Workshop Registration System.

WORKSHOP PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES:

To introduce a Michigan 4-H Leaders' Guide publication for Environmental Stewardship, natural resources/environmental education and outdoor clubs, called "The Walk".

To provide leaders with training in Michigan's newest 4-H youth program, Project F.I.S.H. - Friends Involved in Sportfishing Heritage - teaching fishing, water conservation and ecology (pond study), making tackle, and about ethics and character education in environmental issues!

To help new mentors, club leaders, other volunteers, and teachers, as well as those experienced in working with youth gain new skills in providing fun, hands-on, and science-based learning experiences for youth!

To share important information about organizing clubs and youth groups for outdoor learning!

To give an overview of both the 4-H Natural Resources/Environmental Education program and Project F.I.S.H. (Friends Involved in Sportfishing Heritage)!

To introduce the Hooked On Fishing , Not On Drugs Curriculum to volunteers for use in their counties.

Project F.I.S.H. You'll come away prepared to teach youth fishing skills, aquatic ecology, ethics and character education as it relates to fishing, and tackle crafting. You'll also learn how to organize a local youth sportfishing and fisheries education program/club/afterschool program to mentor youth in long-term learning and outdoor enjoyment. For questions, see the web site for this program: <http://www.projectfish.org>.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Adults who are interested in working with youth clubs, 4-H, recreation programs, in schools, or at nature centers or other outdoor settings; adults from urban, suburban and rural areas. Teen volunteers who are ages 16+ (by 1/1/07) are also welcome, but must attend with an adult and have a chaperon.

NOTE: If you are not already affiliated with Michigan State University Extension 4-H programs, we encourage you to do so! You will be able to register for this weekend workshop at the "volunteer rate!" To affiliate, contact your county office of MSU Extension ASAP (listed under the white pages or under the "county government" section of your phone book)! Or visit this website <<http://www.msue.msu.edu/msue/ctyentpg/>>. Each county varies in how it handles affiliation of volunteers with its program for youth. You will need to complete a volunteer application process in order to become affiliated and attend at the "4-H volunteer rate."

CHAPERON POLICY:

Counties **must** provide adult male and female chaperons (adults who have gone through the Volunteer Selection Process within your county) when sending young people. Chaperons are responsible for serving as role models and guiding youth behavior at workshops. The preferred ratio is one adult to five youth of the same gender for youth aged 13 and up, and one to three for youth aged 12 and under.

When county staff are registering a chaperon on the MSU Extension 4-H Workshop Registration System, they should be sure to register the person's status with a "C" for chaperon and check "Yes" to indicate that they have gone through the MSU Extension Child Well-Being Volunteer Selection Process. The State 4-H Office will accept and process youth registrations only when an adult of the same gender is identified as the chaperon. If a workshop fills to capacity before a chaperon is identified, participants will forfeit their opportunity to attend.

CONDUCT POLICY:

Positive behavior is a key expectation for youth and adults participating in state-sponsored 4-H activities – behavior that reflects trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship. Participants are expected to follow all workshop guidelines. Theft, vandalism the use of illegal drugs and alcohol, and other such offenses are strictly prohibited, and anyone involved with these offences will immediately be sent home at his or her own expense. If it determined by 4-H staff or persons in charge of the activity that the offense warrants it, the offender will be turned over to the proper authorities.

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES:

Accommodations may be requested by calling Mark Stephens (517) 432-2700 three weeks prior to the workshop to ensure sufficient time to make arrangements. Requests received at this time will be met when possible.

MEDIA RELEASE/MEDICAL TREATMENT AUTHORIZATION:

When registering for a statewide 4-H workshop, youth participants, aged 18 and under, **must** submit completed and signed Medical Treatment Authorization section of this form to their county MSU Extension offices. The forms are then sent to the workshop coordinator.

All workshop participants, teen and adult, are encouraged to complete the Media Release section of the form. This section authorizes Michigan State University Extension to record and photograph workshop participants and to use these photos and recordings in educational and promotional publications and programs.

SMOKING REGULATIONS:

All persons are expected to adhere to Kettunen Center's smoking regulations. The use of tobacco is prohibited in all indoor space. Smoking areas are provided outside of the buildings.

WHAT SHOULD I BRING TO THIS WORKSHOP:

Personal hygiene items and comfortable clothing. All equipment and supplies will be provided. You need to bring: boots for walking on wet or soggy outdoor trails, warm outerwear (gloves, hat, etc.), rain gear, flashlight, clipboard and fanny pack/backpack (optional). Other useful items if you have them would include: binoculars, field guides, outdoor sampling gear, or any other item for outdoor explorations! Project F.I.S.H. participants (and others) are welcome to bring fishing gear (and their fishing license). Also, consider bringing items your club or youth have produced to share with others! Bring an enthusiastic smile and attitude for outdoor learning with youth! Bedding and towels are furnished.

SPONSOR:

This workshop is sponsored by the Michigan 4-H Foundation through a grant provided by the source listed below. Please be sure to send your letter of appreciation to:

Donors to the Michigan 4-H Foundation
c/o Rev. Philip Seitz, President
240 Spartan Way
East Lansing, Michigan 48824-6005

AND

The Henning Family Endowment Fund
c/o Mr. Dyle G. Henning
1372 E. Sawdust Corners Road
Lapeer, Michigan 48446-8791

RESOURCE PEOPLE: (tentative list)

Andrea Grix, Kettunen Center
Mark Stephens, MSU Department of Fisheries & Wildlife
Dick Kahle, Volunteer, Schoolcraft County
Susan Bloom, Volunteer, Livingston County

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Friday, May 18

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Arrival and Registration
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.	Dinner
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Welcome and Orientation to Kettunen Center Icebreaker Games; Youth Development Using the Outdoors!
7:45 - 9:00 p.m.	Intro to Each Other and Aquatic Ecosystems
9:00 p.m.	BREAK; snack
9:45 p.m.	Make and Take
11:00 p.m.	Curfew! (Quiet; in rooms)

Saturday, May 19

6:30 a.m.	Early Bird activities (turkey calling, sunrise hike, bird watching, spring wildflower discovery)
7:30 a.m.	Breakfast
8:30 - 10:00 a.m.	Fish and their lives! Explore the Shore and even More
10:00 a.m.	Break; snack
10:30 - Noon	Tackle Crafting - "Create a Bait" that fish won't hate.
Noon	Lunch
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Tackle Crafting - Foolish fish with feathers
3:00	Break
3:15 - 5:15 p.m.	Angling Skills - Yeah but "How do I teach a kid to do this?"
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.	Dinner
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.	Angling Skills - Cleaning, Cooking, Snacking
8:30 - 10:00 p.m.	Intro to People and Fish
10:00 p.m.	Go Fishing? - your choice - Social activities are always fun!
11:00 p.m.	Curfew -- Quiet in rooms

Sunday, May 20

6:30 a.m.	Early bird activities - yeah right!
7:30 a.m.	Breakfast
8:30 - 10:00 a.m.	People and Fish, fish and people what's the difference?
10:00	Break
10:30 - Noon	Putting it all together to get started in your own community!
Noon	Lunch