

“Connecting Youth to the World”

4-H Global and Cultural Education Workshop

Kettunen Center, Tustin, Michigan
September 27-28, 2008

Who Should Attend:

4-H volunteers, both adult and youth (aged 13 by January 1, 2009 and older)
Also welcome are 4-H Staff and other adults who work with youth.

Reservations:

Register with your county MSU Extension office by September 12, 2008.

Cost:

The cost for 4-H volunteers is \$42 which covers four meals, overnight lodging and the \$12 resource fee.

Workshop Schedule:

Sign-in: Saturday, September 27, 11-12 noon
Workshop Ends: September 28 with lunch



Workshop Sessions:

World Foods through 4-H FOLKPATTERNS

Use the 4-H Foodways Folkpatterns project to learn about German, Swiss and Austrian food traditions. Make Eisenkuchle (a German deep fried cookie) and potato pancakes (a Northern European favorite). Discover why “what you eat is because of your family traditions.”

The Nyaga School for AIDS/HIV Orphans in Uganda

Uganda’s AIDS epidemic has resulted in 2.2 million children who have lost one or both parents. Nyaga is a haven of hope in a country ravaged by extreme poverty and disease. Explore how your 4-H group can be involved in a service learning project by learning about Uganda’s AIDS orphans, the Nyaga school, and Ugandan culture. Experience the Ugandan culture through music, drumming, games and food.

Discovering Your Family History

Begin your search for your family tree. Learn how to use pedigree charts (genograms), interview family members; search records on the internet; and organize your family history materials.

Teen Global Village Experience

Learn how a group of Kent County teens experienced first hand world hunger, poverty and population issues by participating in an overnight program called “Heifer Global Village” at the Howell Nature Center which is 40 miles southeast of Detroit. The Heifer Global Village gives youth an opportunity to experience the realities of life for most of our world neighbors. The village consists of houses that represent Nepal, Africa, Thailand, Shantytowns and more.

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Destination Pakistan

Get to know beautiful Pakistan and its food, language, celebrations, crafts, music and religion. Discover the similarities between being a child in Pakistan and being a child in the United States.

4-H International Exchanges: A Life Changing Event

Check out the fascinating places youth can travel through 4-H including to Central America, Europe, Asia and more. Also look into the opportunities of becoming a host family for youth from another country.

Identifying Local Resources and More

Learn how to develop a county global and cultural education resource guide; start a global day camp; setup an international pen-pal exchange; develop a Honduras Suitcase (a local service learning and global humanitarian project); host a world crafts event, and much more.

Going High-Tech: The Barn Survey Project Using Video Podcasts and Global Information Software

4-H volunteers all over Michigan are surveying barns and farmsteads in their communities by photographing barns and filling our survey forms. Learn how to conduct surveys through the new video Barn Survey Podcasts and to use the Global Information Software. This software provides a way to manage information and to create a map of all barns in a specific area.

Make Your Global Footprint a Little Smaller

How many planets do you need to sustain your lifestyle? The truth will amaze you. Hands-on games, activities and on-line challenges for all ages will be presented to learn about the choices we have for using the earth's resources wisely and for making our "global footprint" smaller.

Hosting an International Dinner

Host an international dinner as a service learning project to create an awareness of issues of hunger and poverty; raise money for Heifer International, and learn about international food and culture. Heifer International is a nonprofit charitable organization dedicated to relieving global hunger and poverty. It provides gifts of livestock and plants, as well as education in sustainable agriculture, to financially-disadvantaged families around the world.

¡Qué Rico! (How Rich!) The Latino Culture Curriculum

Counties will share successful activities using the new 4-H ¡Qué Rico! curriculum that explores the history and culture of Latin America through art. Storytelling with puppets; mural making; Huichol yarn painting; Kuna mola and embroidery, music, dance and more are part of this bilingual Latino cultural curriculum.

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