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### MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE FUN

# Davis MS hosts 'Science Night'



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HILLSDALE — Davis Middle School holds its annual 'Science Night' on Thursday.

The event featured several hands-on activities for students. The Hillsdale High School 'HEROES' also had this year's robot on display.

Students from Hillsdale College performed a demonstration for the students in attendance.

TOP: 4th-grader Sophia McNair and 6th-grader Walker McNair are shown the Hillsdale High School 'Heroes' robot by Nich Tucker. BOTTOM: Hillsdale College senior Bio Chemistry major John Russel, left, gives a demonstration at Davis Middle School's 'Science Night' on Thursday, March 30. [TODD LANCASTER PHOTOS]



Davis Middle School students perform experiments during the annual 'Science Night'. [TODD LANCASTER PHOTO]



Third-grader Lillie Puthoff holds a lizard. [TODD LANCASTER PHOTO]

### COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

# Next generation 911 approved

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HILLSDALE — The Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners voted unanimously in favor of giving the green light for "Next Generation 911".

"The next big project is to take us into the future," Doug Sanford, E911 director, said.

Next Generation 911, through the Peninsula Fiber Network, is a network transmission service designed to update the E911 system.

The system is currently used by 66 out of Michigan's 83 counties with projects moving forward in Jackson, Branch, and Lenawee Counties.

The PFN system will bring the network up to date and allow for fixes of many issues that have plagued E911 services throughout the state. The current system used in Hillsdale County was designed decades ago and has been used for 40 years according to Sanford.

Within the last decade, E911 calls for service have switched from primary landlines to mobile devices, such as cell phones. In fact, 80 percent of E911 calls placed currently come from mobile devices.

The new system provided by PFN will allow flexibility in how calls are answered and will allow residents to text 911 for emergency calls if needed.

The PFN services will be covered under current E911 mobile network charges, certain equipment and installation fees may be incurred by the county.

With the approval of the board, PFN will proceed forward with contacting telecommunication companies to begin making the transition, which will take between 12 and 15 months to complete.

## Community Action to host 'Getting Ahead' program

HILLSDALE — Community Action Agency is offering Getting AHEAD in a Just-Gettin'-By World series. The series will be offered from 5-7 p.m. on Thursdays beginning April 13. Classes are limited to 10 participants and will last 14 weeks. Classes will be held at Community Action Agency, 55 Barnard Street, Hillsdale.

The Getting Ahead program engages participants to break the cycle of generational and situational poverty that have plagued many of their families. By providing the tools, support and offering the opportunity to become "investigators", individuals are able to make the necessary changes in both thinking and behavior to transition towards self-sufficiency.

Participants set aggressive goals, look at the reasons/barriers that have previously left them short of achieving those goals. The results have been greater than anticipated.

For more information or to register, call Lisa office at (517)437-3346

## Women's support group to meet this week

JONESVILLE — A Right to Innocence, a self help support group for women will meet from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, at Karen's House, 115 Walnut St., Jonesville.

The group is open to adult women who experienced incest or other sexual abuse as children or teens, who are 18 years of age or older. Girls 15-18 years of age must be accompanied by a responsible female adult of their choice and referred by their counselor.

For more information on the group or for a free copy of the book "Beginning to Heal" by Ellen Bass and Laura Davis contact Maria Ansett at nomoresecrets2014@outlook.com.

### HILLSDALE COUNTY FAIR

# Hillsdale County Fair to host beer and wine festival

HILLSDALE — Craft beer enthusiasts who were disappointed when Broad Street Tavern shut their doors at the end of January have cause for excitement once again. On May 5, the Hillsdale County Fair will host, for the first time ever, "The Most Popular Beer and Wine Festival on Earth!"

The fair's office manager, Lori Hull, said that the idea for the festival came from Hillsdale's neighbors in Jackson.

The Jackson County Fair has held its own beer and wine festival for about five years, and Hull said that the Hillsdale County Fair was inspired by that idea.

"We have a fundraising committee that is a part of the Fair Board, and we borrow things from other fairs. Jackson had been highly successful in what they had done. They've been very good at giving us ideas, so we haven't had to reinvent the

wheel," Hull said.

While the Hillsdale County Fair has looked to Jackson for ideas, they have turned to the county for support. Hull said that Market House, Frank Beck Chevrolet and County National Bank will all be presenting sponsors.

Tickets will cost \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door, and can be purchased at the fair office or at the Market House customer service desk. Ten tokens will be includ-

ed with each purchase, which can be turned in for 10 beer or wine samples.

Hull said that the fair will be working with distributors who will be bringing various local craft beers. The goal is to have over one hundred different varieties.

"Anything that will be there will be something that you can walk out and go to [a local store] like Market House and get that beer," Hull said.

The Festival will serve as a fundraiser for the Fair Grounds, and will feature Mexican cuisine from Sunnyside Cafe and barbecue from Randy's Roadhouse Barbecue, beer-related merchandise and, as always, the Donut Hut will be on hand, as well.

This is just the latest addition to the County Fair's lineup of fundraisers. The Fair holds a reverse raffle at the tail end of July every year, a raffle and a silent auction during fair week.

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