

People Pets and Vets

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For the past 6-years, the Michigan Veterinary Medical Association has sponsored People Pets and Vets in conjunction with Okemos High School's presentation of Science Fun Day. The one-day event, held in January, is a hands-on learning experience for children and their parents.

Each year, hundreds of children attend PP&V to see and touch a variety of different animals and to talk to veterinarians and other animal care providers. They learn about farm animals, exotics, including birds and reptiles, zoo and wild animals and pets kept in the home. Most important of all, they learn to respect ALL animals and to provide proper care.

Among the more than thirty exhibits presented each year...dentistry, leader dogs microchipping, anatomy, surgery, radiology, parasitology, and emergency care. Children also learn about the importance of grooming, the seriousness of obesity, and the significance of lab animals. They experience unusual pets, such as sugar gliders and llamas. And even take their "wounded" stuffed animals to the Teddy Bear Clinic for surgery performed by MSU students.

People, Pets and Vets is an extraordinary educational experience for the entire family...and an excellent way to create an awareness of the veterinary profession.