



Michigan State University participates in Brain Awareness Week

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March 12, 2007, EAST LANSING, Mich. — Hundreds of area students will get a chance to learn more about the human brain this week as faculty and graduate students from Michigan State University's Neuroscience Program visit local schools as part of Brain Awareness Week.

Each year, the Society for Neuroscience, a worldwide organization composed of more than 30,000 scientists, sponsors Brain Awareness Week, which runs through Saturday, March 17.

MSU's Neuroscience Program has trained several teams of volunteers to travel to community schools, where they will bring models, demonstrations and real brain specimens to share with students.

Students will learn about the types of cells in the brain, the relationship between brain and behavior, how the brain changes during the aging process and the many factors that can damage the brain.

At 1 p.m. on March 17, Marc Breedlove and Cindy Jordan of the MSU Neuroscience program will be at Lansing's Impressions 5 Museum to provide hands-on demonstrations. Impressions 5 is located at 200 Museum Dr., Lansing. Breedlove is the Barnett Rosenberg Professor of Neuroscience, and Jordan is an associate professor of neuroscience and psychology.

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