

# Bats!

Join Kent Lake Junior Troop 20368 for a badge-earning bat program on May 19 (12 noon to 3:00 p.m.) at Lyon Township Fire Station #1 (58800 Grand River Ave., New Hudson 48165). Attend the one-hour Bats of the World program from the Organization for Bat Conservation, then build a bat house from a kit. Other activities will be included to complete the Going Batty badge from GS of Southern Illinois. Brownie Try-Its and Junior badges should be complete by the end of the program; IP requirements are available for older girls to complete before or after the program. Sorry, this program is not age-appropriate for Daisies.

The bat houses will be donated to Kensington Metro Park or similar location unless your group would like to choose its own location. Troop 20368 will paint your troop's number on the outside of your bat house so you may identify it once it is mounted.

At the event, your troop may "adopt" a bat (per GS Money-Earning Guidelines) or bring donations of materials needed for the Bat Zone (list to be provided).

Estimated length of program: 3 hours.

Estimated cost: \$49.99 + tax and shipping per bat house kit (at least one bat house per troop) plus cost of badges (between \$2.50 and \$3.00 each). Your troop may purchase the bat house beforehand or arrangements may be made to purchase the bat houses together.

Supplies to bring: one or more cordless drills

The live animal Bats of the World program was awarded to Troop 20368 and was funded by a grant from Critter Catchers, Inc.

**About Critter Catchers, Inc.:** Founded in 2005, the Ortonville, Mich.-based Critter Catchers, Inc. was formed by David Kugler, an Oakland University graduate holding a Bachelors of Science in Biology, and a Masters Degree in Environmental Engineering from Wayne State University. Critter Catchers provides wildlife control services in SE Michigan and specializes in humane bat removal and other attic pests. Visit the Website at [www.crittercatchersinc.com](http://www.crittercatchersinc.com) or call: (248) 432-2712.



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