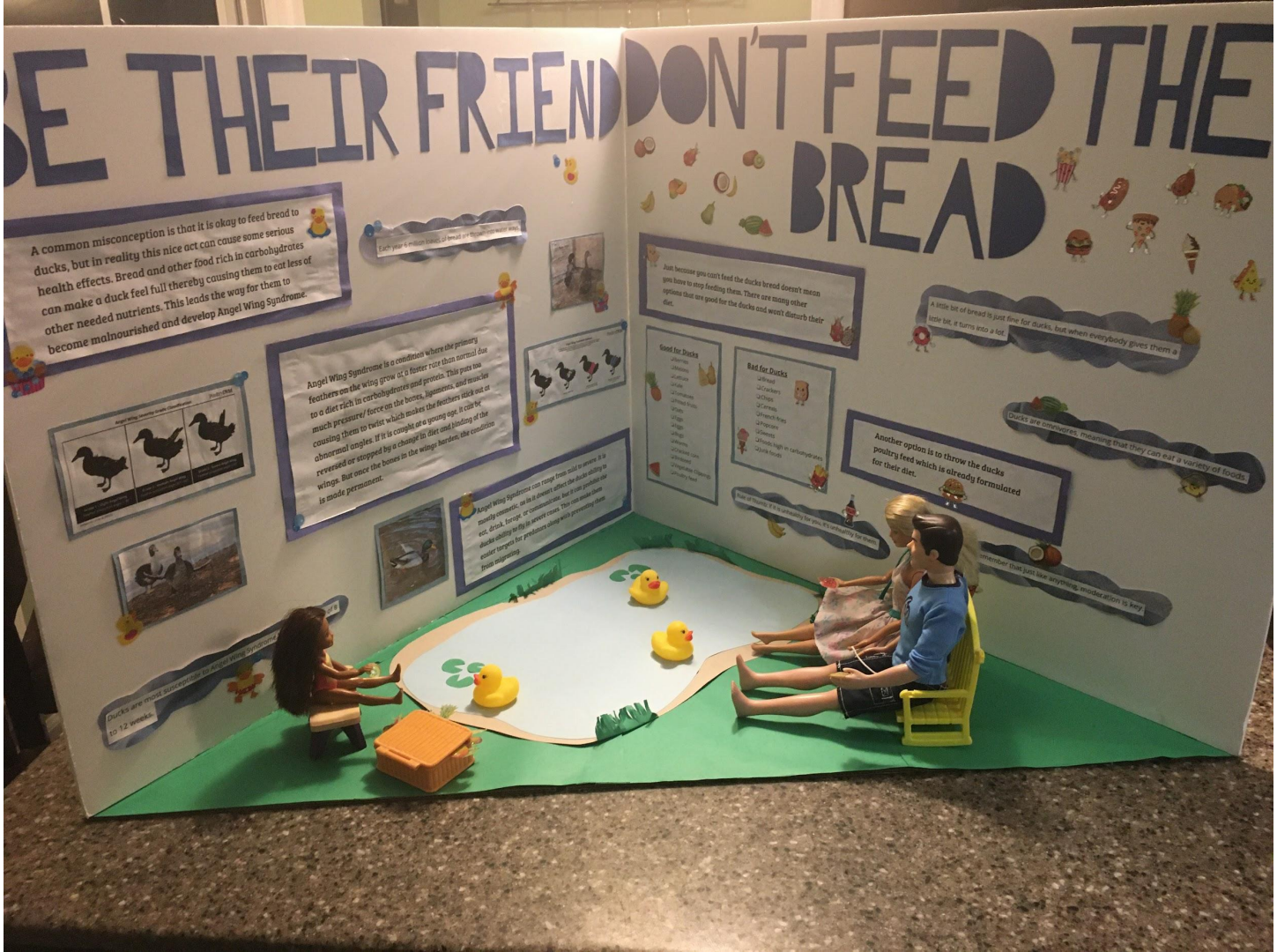
BE THEIR FRIEND
DON'T FEED THE BREAD
A common misconception is that it is okay to feed bread to ducks, but in reality this nice act can cause some serious health effects. Bread and other food rich in carbohydrates can make a duck feel full thereby causing them to eat less of other needed nutrients. This leads the way for them to become malnourished and develop Angel Wing Syndrome.
Angel Wing Syndrome is a condition where the primary feathers on the wing grow at a faster rate than normal due to a diet rich in carbohydrates and protein. This puts too much pressure/ force on the bones, ligaments, and muscles causing them to twist which makes the feathers stick out at abnormal angles. If it is caught at a young age, it can be reversed or stopped by a change in diet and binding of the wings. But once the bones in the wings harden, the condition is made permanent.
Just because you can't feed the ducks bread doesn't mean you have to stop feeding them. There are many other options that are good for the ducks and won't disturb their diet.
Good for Ducks
Bad for Ducks
A little bit of bread is just fine for ducks, but when everybody gives them a little bit, it turns into a lot.
Another option is to throw the ducks poultry feed which is already formulated for their diet.
Ducks are omnivores, meaning that they can eat a variety of foods.
Remember that just like anything, moderation is key!