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**CLOVER KID 'CAMPETTE'**

March 1<sup>st</sup>, from 10 am to 2 pm is the rescheduled event for Clover Kids and new 4-Hers 9 and younger.

No cost, but registration by February 21<sup>st</sup> is required. The day will include crafts, nutrition, fitness, environment, and character activities. Teens and others will lead the activities (volunteers being accepted).

Medical release and other permission sheets will be required that day; parents are welcome to stay full or part time. Bring sack lunches and refreshments!

**SHARE THE FUN**

**Definition:** Club and group skits, talent and skills of all kinds, public speaking for selection to advance to state events (including a specific horse event) and best of all, an evening of fun for the whole family and friends of 4-H. A great opportunity to share your talent and sense of fun, as individual, group, family or club!

**Competitive:** Competition or not--Your choice  
As individual or small group talent or hobby sharing, as club or part of club, you can choose if you want to be judged for consideration of a trophy and feedback. There will be two trophies or plaques: 1 for individual and small group, 1 for club entry.  
The audience choice will be separate from the trophy, with each person having a chance to vote with applause or ballot. Selection for Interstate can be a challenge, since the event is in St. Joseph in October. Those earning top places will hopefully be asked to perform at a different venue if they choose (i.e.: Extension Council event, Family Fun event, etc) or not, your choice - each entry will have chance for one of the trophies and chance to present at Interstate event in October. The audience selected skit or club entry will earn a \$50 gift certificate National 4-H Council. (anonymous donor)

**Provided: New this year !!** Stage with carpeting, microphone, announcer, changing room, a great audience, a keyboard ( no piano) and refreshments/snacks for all.

**When:** March 29<sup>th</sup>  
**Where:** Platte Resource Center  
**Time:** 6:30 pm starting time  
**Register:** entries by March 15<sup>th</sup>



Farley Jolly Workers is in charge of this event!

**LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

- Teach/lead a session at Clover Kids Campette on March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Plan sessions at Englewood Apartments, an apartment complex in Northwood for the summer.
- Help with KC 4-H Global Conference, March 13th/14th.

**VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION OPTIONS**

All recognized volunteer leaders must attend or participate in an orientation by December 1, 2008. This is a one time requirement in addition to annual updates of leader enrollment forms.

April 1<sup>st</sup>, at Earnest Shepherd Youth Center, 6-8:30 pm, State 4-H Faculty will conduct a multi county session. Registrations due March 21<sup>st</sup>.

Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> at Platte County 4-H office, in the board room, there will be a county session, starting at 5:30 pm. Please register by March 18<sup>th</sup>.

Besides the face to face orientation, there is an on line and soon will be a DVD option. Course content in all approaches include youth development elements, experiential learning, ages and stages, competition, character, and safety.

On line option does require a quiz for completion. The DVD will not be available till later this spring.

For directions on the online version, contact Sharen, Marti, or Mary Kay at 4-H office.

**COUNTY WIDE PROJECTS**

**Cake Decorating**

County Wide Cake Decorating will be held at the PRC on March 1st, 9:30 - 11:30. Sindy Smith is the leader. If you are enrolled in cake decorating and wish to be in her project, please call her to get details at 816-546-3699.

**Horsemanship**

The next horsemanship meeting will be February 4 at 7:00 p.m. at Sue B D Stables. Our speaker will be Paula Vail who will demonstrate acupuncture on horses. Please dress for being in a barn and bring lawn chairs.

The March meeting will be March 13 at the fair grounds. We will be delivering shavings.

## UPCOMING 4-H EVENTS



### 4-H Day Camp

June 13th  
Platte County Fairgrounds  
8 am to 5 pm



### Achievement Day

June 21st  
Platte County Resource Center  
Demonstration Contest, Fashion Revue, Outstanding 4-Her/  
Ambassador Interviews, Presentation Skills, Decision Mak-  
ing

### Small Animal Show

July 15th

## 2008 4-H EQUINE TRIP

They're off and running! The 2008 Missouri 4-H Equine Trip will be May 23-29, 2008. The destination is the horse capital of the world, Kentucky! 4-H teens with a passion for horses and an interest in a possible equine career are encouraged to participate.



Highlights include a day at the Kentucky Horse Park viewing cross country events, dressage, high school rodeo competitions and a tour of the grounds. We will also visit several breed farms including Thoroughbreds, Saddlebreds, Rocky Mountain Horses, Arabians and Quarter Horses. The group will view races and tours at the Red Mil and Churchill Downs Race Tracks. A full day will be focused on equine medical careers with tours at the foremost facilities in Lexington. The group will also have a chance to meet and connect with Kentucky 4-H equine teens.

The \$375 trip fee includes charter bus transportation, all tour fees in Lexington area, lodging at the Best Western hotel in Georgetown, trip t-shirt and travel bag, and most of the meals. Make your plans to be in the winners circle!

Trip application and initial deposit are due March 15 to Debbie Davis, 4-H Youth Specialist, PO Box 294, Plattsburg, MO 64494. Questions: Debbie: 816-539-3765; Carol Parmenter: 417-448-2560.

Forms may be found on the Missouri 4-H web site: <http://mo4h.missouri.edu/events/hors/>

## HOST FAMILIES NEEDED



Host families are needed for Japanese students, ages 12-16, during summer 2008. The students will spend three-and-a-half weeks in Missouri. Host families also are needed for Japanese and Eurasian high school students for the 2008-

09 school year. The students will arrive in August, enroll in school and depart in May. Details on the exchange programs are available on the University of Missouri extension 4-H Web site: [4h.missouri.edu](http://4h.missouri.edu)

### Park Rangers

Date of Meeting: December 14th  
Attendance: Members 12 Adults 6  
Balance was changed to 315.76  
Service Committee reported that on 11/14 there was training to walk dogs. Fundraiser Committee reported Home Interiors Fundraiser earned \$20. County Events Committee: Teen Conference and Global Conference were discussed.  
Council Update: Regina discussed the council meeting.  
We had a Christmas Gift Exchange. Discussed a field trip to Shatto Milk Company Jan. 26th.  
Next meeting date: Jan. 10th

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### Farley Jolly Workers

Molly Mathews brought the meeting of the Farley Jolly Workers to order at 7:00 on November 27th. PROJECT REPORT were given :Cassandra Johnson - Crochet Project, Laura Lee Knutson - Historian Report, Shelby and Jesse Knutson - MShoogy's Report, Cameron Johnson - Sports, Daniel Cicha - Arts and Crafts, Shannon Lee and Sydney Oberdiek - Cooking, and Meg Lee - Photography and Arts and Crafts.

Brenda and Shelby Knutson reported on the County Council meeting. We did an art project. We made Christmas Cards for our troops. Clover Kid Camp is on December 29th from 10:00 to 2:00. Newspaper inserts will be January 30th. Let us know if you want to help. Our December meeting was canceled, but we will be meeting in January.

## 4-H CITIZENSHIP YOUTH FORUM

June 26-28  
Jefferson City, MO

4-Hers who have completed 8<sup>th</sup> grade and older and want to experience Missouri State Government should attend this event. It will be at Capital Plaza Hotel with sessions at the Supreme Court and State Capitol Building.

Delegates choose from: legislative, judicial, media, or executive tract which includes working with State Representatives, lawyers, media staff, and department executives.

Registrations will be due to Platte County by April 17th. Cost is \$95.00 per delegate and \$95.00 for chaperones.

## GOAT CONFERENCE & 4-H GOAT CAMP- -SHEEP& GOAT A.I. CLINIC

March 28-29, 2008  
George Washington Carver Farm  
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Goat Conference ... March 28 ... \$10 fee  
4-H Goat Camp & A.I. Clinic ... March 29 ... \$10 fee



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**Platte County 4H Council Meeting Minutes**  
**January 16, 2008**

Meeting was called to order at 7:11 pm by Molly Grusenmeyer. We had welcome and introductions. Those in attendance were: Ben and Monty Kay Clark, Molly and Mary Kay Grusenmeyer and Marilyn Whitacre from HH; Michelle and Madelyn Rawlings from LBB; Lorientte, Mariah and Molly Matthews from FJW; Jaxon and Regina Turner from PCPR and Sharen Hunt. The Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge were recited. Minutes from November were reviewed since there was not a meeting in December. Mary Kay motioned to approve and Ben seconded the motion; motion passed.

Treasurers Report was given by Marilyn. Our balance is \$4042.09 We raised \$307.06 from Borders Gift Wrapping. Marilyn provided some information about possible fundraisers for the future. A Fundraising Committee was formed. Committee members are Marilyn W. from HH and Michelle R. from LBB.

**Old Business:**

Regina moved to reset the Clover Kid Camp date to March 1 from 10 – 2. Mary Kay seconded and motion passed. We will need a minimum of 10 kids to hold camp.

Mary Kay moved to hold Day camp on June 13 at the usual time. Marilyn seconded and the motion passed. The usual time is 8-5.

**New Business:**

New Officers were elected as follows: Ben Clark, HH – Chairman, Evan Grusenmeyer, HH – Vice Chairman, Mariah Matthews, FJW and Regina Turner, PR - Co-Treasurer, Kaela McKenzie, HH and Michelle Rawlings, LBB – Co-Secretary. Mary Kay moved to suspend the rule that requires two officers for each position for the 4-H year 2007-2008. Ben seconded and motion passed. Marilyn moved to accept officer ballet and Molly Mathews seconded. Motion passed.

Share the Fun on March 29<sup>th</sup> will be at 6:30 pm.

Molly, Mary Kay, Hillary and Ben will be helping at the Extension Council Annual Dinner on February 4<sup>th</sup>.

Those attending the Regional Energizer on January 26<sup>th</sup> are Sharen, Mary Kay and Molly.

The Associate Membership Form was updated and applications for those who didn't have their enrollment in by December 31<sup>st</sup> will be mailed from the County Council with a letter of explanation.

**Announcements:**

Our very own, Evan Grusenmeyer, is a State 4-H Council Candidate.

The deadline for KC 4-H Global Conference registration has been extended to January 25. Harley Davidson cancelled tours have been replaced with GM Auto Plant on Thursday morning, March 13<sup>th</sup>.

An online orientation has been set up. All current 4-H volunteers must go through the volunteer orientation before January 1, 2009, either online or by attending a training session.

There will be a 4-H Citizenship Youth Forum in Jefferson City, June 26-28<sup>th</sup>.

Ben moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:21pm. Marilyn seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Regina Turner, Council Co-Secretary

## 4-H COUNCIL OFFICERS

Congratulations to the 2008 4-H Council Officers:

Ben Clark - Chairman  
 Evan Grusenmeyer - Vice-Chairman  
 Mariah Mathews - Co-Treasurer  
 Regina Turner - Co-Treasurer  
 Kaela McKenzie - Co-Secretary  
 Michelle Rawlings - Co-Secretary



Meetings are held the 3rd Thursday of the month, 7 p.m. at the Platte County Resource Center. Everyone is welcome to attend these meetings.



### Apply by April 1

### 4-H Foundation announces scholarships

Participation and involvement in 4-H leads young people to explore careers and educational options. The Missouri 4-H Foundation offers college scholarships that help 4-H members pursue their educational dreams. Through the generous support of donors, the foundation is offering 58 scholarships in 2008. A total of \$59,300 is available. Current 4-H members who are high school seniors and former members enrolled in college are eligible.

Applications are due April 1 to the Missouri 4-H Foundation. March 27th for Platte County 4-H. Guidelines and forms are available on the Web ([4h.missouri.edu](http://4h.missouri.edu)). Information on the Missouri Recognition Form may be used to complete the narrative portion of the application. The Missouri 4-H Foundation secures and manages financial resources to enhance and expand University of Missouri Extension's 4-H program.

### Platte County 4-H Scholarships

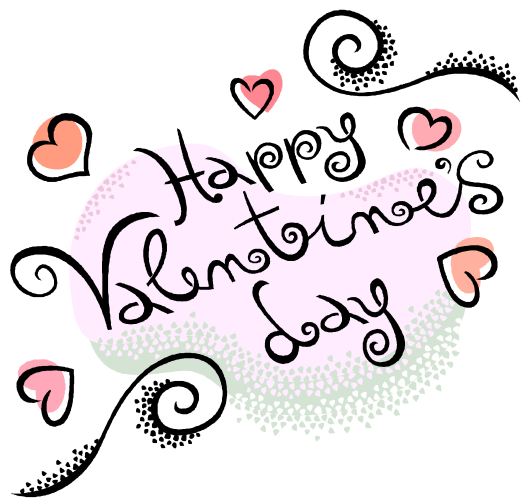
Applicants must have been a Platte County 4-H member for at least four (4) years and be enrolled in post-secondary education or training. Applicant must be a graduating senior or have a high school diploma or equivalent with a "C" average or above and be between the ages of 17 and 22 (4-H age). (A form letter will need to be signed by a high school official. Verification of passing GED will be allowed. Selection will be based solely on 4-H participation and contribution. Scholarship winner will be announced in May and awarded at the County Fair. Application deadline is April 1st.

February Clover Calendar	
2	Platte County Park Rangers volunteer at Nearly New *See note below
4	Extension Council annual dinner (thanks Ben Clark, Molly and Evan Grusenmeyer, and Hillary Whitacre for helping serve/greet people)
4	Countywide Crochet meeting
4	Countywide Horsemanship meeting
11	Lady Bugs & Beetles 4-H Club meeting
12	Hoover Heroes 4-H Club meeting
14	Platte County Park Rangers 4-H Club meeting
15	Deadline to register to attend KC 4-H Global Conference on a part time basis
15	Ethnic Festival registrations for stage shows, booths, displays due
18	Day to register for Feb. 21 Volunteer Orientation, 5:30 p.m.
19	Northland Ethnic Festival Committee
21	Clover Kid campette registrations due; this is for Clover Kids and New members 9 and younger
21	4-H Council Meeting, 7 pm officer installation
26	Farley Jolly Workers 4-H Club meeting

Note: Funds for special 4-H events are provided by grants from Nearly New and Eleemosynary Society. Volunteering to help on the first Saturday (or additional times of your choices, as a 4-Her) at this non profit thrift store, is serving our community and helping 4-H continue to receive grants. So, in a way, this is a type of fund raiser for Platte County 4-H, so is a role for all families.



4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning citizenship, leadership and life skills.



# Clover Kids Corner

## Valentine Snack Pots

### What You Need

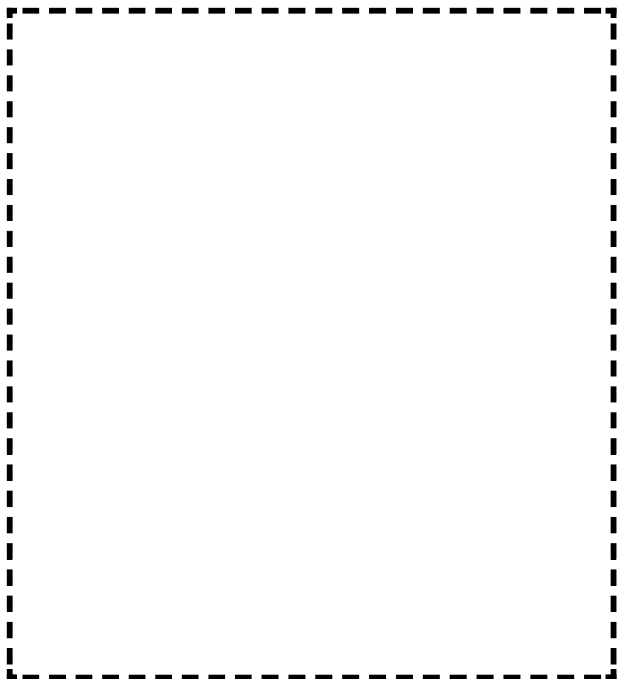
- Terra cotta clay pots
- Acrylic paints
- Valentine stickers
- Paint brushes
- Pencil (with new eraser)
- Plastic terra cotta pot liner
- Pencils
- Spray sealer
- Ribbon
- Newspaper
- Sponge

### What You Do

Lay newspaper on a work space. First, show children all the supplies and tell them to think about what they want their finished pot to look like. Paint the inside and the outside of the pot and let it dry. It may need more than one coat. Decorate the pot. Try different ways: polka dots can be made by dipping the pencil eraser in paint and dabbing it. Stickers are easy to use. Conversation hearts can be glued on. Use a sponge to add another color on top of the old one. (Wet sponge, wring out water and dab it into paint. Wipe off extra paint on the newspaper. Dab sponge lightly onto the first color.)

When pots are done, spray with acrylic sealer and let dry. Put the liner in and fill with a nutritious snack (or conversation hearts).

*Source: Iowa 4-H Clover Kids ([extension.iastate.edu/4H/Clover](http://extension.iastate.edu/4H/Clover))*



## ENERGIZER

Evan, Molly and Mary Kay Grusenmeyer attended the regional energizer in Blue Springs. See one of them for information on mixers using a deck of cards, photography guidelines, or line dances.

For information call: (816) 270 2141; platteco@missouri.edu

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Bins are available 24 hours a day/7 days a week!

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