



# "THE CLOVER GROWER"

## Barton County 4-H Family Newsletter



### Sharing 4-H Facts with 4-H Volunteers:

**November  
2007**

**MOTTO** "To Make The Best Better"

**SLOGAN** "Learn to Do by Doing"

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**EMBLEM** The 4-H Emblem, the four-leaf clover, stands for Head, Heart, Hands and Health.

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**COLORS** The 4-H Colors are green and white. Green symbolizes nature's most common color and represents life, springtime and youth. White symbolizes purity.

Bob McNary

**PLEDGE** I pledge: My head to clearer thinking,

4-H Youth Specialist

My heart to greater loyalty,

Elaine Davis

My hands to larger service and

4-H Youth Program Asst.

My health to better living, for my club, my community, my country and my world.

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**MEMBERSHIP** Approximately five million boys and girls are 4-H members throughout the United States. In Missouri over 20,000 are members of year-round 4-H clubs and about 20,000 are in special interest groups. Over 100,000 are involved in school enrichment projects.

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**4-H YEAR** A new 4-H year starts September 1st each year and ends August 31 of the following year

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**AGE FOR MEMBERSHIP** 4-H club membership is open to all boys and girls who're five years old by January 1, and have not passed their 19th birthday by January 1, of the current year. The "Clover Kids" project is available to those ages 5-7 and the regular club program for those 8 to 19. 4-H age is determined as of January 1, of the program year. an adult leader with a project or club activity. Teens are always serving as role models for younger 4-H members. Many teens are active in their county 4-H Teen Council. These members promote 4-H, conduct environmental and other community service projects and activities.

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We hope these essays have been of help to you. Please, feel free to call or stop by the office anytime, .We have a variety of written, video and on line materials to help you better understand 4-H and how to get and give the most from your family's participation. **Let us know your questions and concerns, anytime. Ask! Asking is key to a successful 4-H experience.** Open tht door by asking the right person. Ask experienced leaders. Always feel free to call us or come by the office. If we don't know, we'll find out. We want your 4-H experience to be as successful and rewarding for you and your youngster's) as you do! Just ASK!!

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Have a wonderful Thanksgiving !

**Bob McNary**

4-H Youth Specialist

**Elaine Davis**

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# Barton County 4-H Information

## CLUB LEADERS ...Members.. Volunteers

### 4-H Enrollment Forms needed by January 1, 2008

Please return All returning 4-H enrollment and volunteer forms to the 4-H office by in by January 1, 2008. These are the material you received in September. You may continue to accept membership unto the county until May 1, 2008 to be eligible for State Regional and County project participation. 4-H members can add and drop any project until May 1, 2008,

If you have question please ask! Don't hesitate to call .

When sending your Christmas cards this year , Please include the following—or think about sending a couple of new ones that you don't usually send

**A Recovering American soldier  
c/o Walter Reed Army Medical Center  
6900 Georgia Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20307-5001**



## Barton County Arts Council Christmas Open House

December 8, 2007

If you can donate cookies please bring them to the Wolf center by

December 7, 4:30 pm

Your help will be appreciated !

## Come Ring the Bell For Salvation Army

Good Samaritan has given us the opportunity to  
"Ring The Bell"

Time--: Beginning at 11:00 am till 7:00 pm ....1 hour shifts

Where: Wal-Mart

All money collected from " Ringing The Bell" stays in Barton

### Red Cross Cookie Donations Schedule

Dec 17, 2007-\_\_\_\_\_ Feb 18, 2008 -\_\_\_\_\_

Please call the office with the day your club would like to donation cookies.  
Cookies need to be dropped off at the First Baptist Church, Lamar, Mo.

## Community Betterment Working Toward Renovations at the Lamar City Park

### 4-H clubs can apply for this grant" Building Our American Community "

The MO Dept. of Ag has 18 - \$500 "Building our American Communities Grants" for 4-H clubs, and 18 grants for FFA chapters each year. You apply, do the work, they look it over and issue you a check. Call soon for an application or click on: <http://www.mda.mo.gov/Financial/a1b.htm>.

**\$500 BOAC Grant Proposals Due December 1, 2007**





## 4-H ....Volunteer Orientation Information

### Basics To Success.....The 4-H Youth Development Program

### More..... 4-H FACTS

**SCOPE**-4-H is in all the other states and many foreign countries have 4-H programs. In fact, over 80 foreign countries have 4-H or 4-H type youth programs. It is now estimated that there are over 36 million 4-H alumni in the United States.

**PROJECTS**-Other than age, the only 4-H requirement for membership is that 4-H'ers enroll in at least one project (learning opportunity). There are over 150 different projects in more than 40 subject areas from which 4-H'ers may choose. Members are expected to complete all the projects in which they enroll. There is an enrollment limit of 3 projects for younger or first year members and 6 projects for older members.

**LEADERS**-Adults serve primarily as one of two types of leaders: project (subject matter teachers or leaders) and club (organization leaders). Helping boys and girls grow through their 4-H opportunities can be a very rewarding experience for adult volunteers. Teens also lead in many ways. Teens (Teen Leaders) 15 and older often serve as a project leader. Teens also serve as 4-H camp counselors. Members 12 and older may serve as (Junior Leaders) assisting an adult leader with a project or club activity. Teens are always serving as role models for younger 4-H members. Many teens are active in their county 4-H Teen Council. These members promote 4-H, conduct environmental and other community service projects and activities.



Clover Kids

Through University of Missouri Extension 4-H Clover Kids clubs, children learn how to get along, share, work in groups, explore their interests and build self-confidence. Each Clover Kids Corner provides an activity, information or other materials that leaders can use in planning and implementing experiences that introduce 5-to 7-year olds to the 4-H concept of learning by doing. This activity provides a hands-on science experience!

#### Food Safety

#### **Supplies:**

- 3 small dishes    3 packages dry yeast                      ¼ cup lukewarm water
- ¼ cup boiling water    ¼ cup ice water                      Sugar (may not be needed, depending on the kind of yeast)

**What you do:** Read the yeast package to see if you need sugar to help the yeast grow. Empty one package of dry yeast into each of the three bowls. Put about ¼ cup of lukewarm water in one dish, ¼ cup boiling water in a second dish and ¼ cup ice water with an ice cube in the third. In a few minutes, you will see the difference and be able to talk about how yeast grows faster at room temperature than at hot or cold temperatures. That's because you started with billions of live yeast cells, and at the right temperature yeast produces a lot of gas (carbon dioxide) that makes it bubble and rise. Process: what happened to each of the bowls? Which grew fastest? What do you think can happen to food that isn't put in the refrigerator right away? Should you eat food that has been sitting out all day?

HAVE FUN !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



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

## **State 4-H Teen Conference**



**Registration:** Registration deadline is December 20, 2007. No availability is guaranteed after that date.

**Age Change:** The event is still for youth ages 12 and 13, but the State 4-H Council wishes to include 11-year-olds this time around. Beginning December 10<sup>th</sup>, 11-year-olds are welcome to enroll as long as spaces are still available.

**Cost:** \$110 for youth, T-shirts will be available at the event for \$12 each, and we ask that when registering, you indicate which sizes your attendees will need. (This is for ordering purposes; do not send money with the registration.)

**Lodging:** The event will take place at the Stoney Creek Inn. Lodging arrangements will prioritize safety and supervision; youth will be rooming with other youth from their region and Chaperone rooms will be located in close proximity to the rooms of the youth they are supervising. Therefore, we will not be soliciting roommate requests this year.

**Content:** This will be much like past Teen Conferences, and the State 4-H Council is looking forward to providing an experience that builds enthusiasm for the 4-H among this age group!

## **KANSAS CITY**



## **KANSAS CITY 4-H GLOBAL CONFERENCE**

2008 Kansas City 4-H Global Conference (March 12-15). The five states that coordinate and implement this conference (Kansas, Iowa, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Missouri) are using an online registration process again this year. The online site is hosted by Kansas State University 4-H. The goal is to create less work for county offices by utilizing technology. A more thorough explanation of the process and a link to the registration website can be found on the Missouri 4-H website at <http://www.4h.missouri.edu/events/globalconf/>. Here's the gist of it:

If your future includes a job or career be sure to sign up to attend the Kansas City 4-H Global Conference on March 12-15. This conference is for youth age 15 and older who want to learn more about careers, technology, environment, and cultural diversity. Enjoy tours to Kansas City area businesses, corporations and service agencies that include the Kansas City Board of Trade, Black and Veatch Engineering, Hallmark, Federal Courthouse, Harley Davidson Motors, Nelson Atkins Art Museum, and much more. Participate in workshops that focus on topics such as veterinary medicine, geosciences engineering, international careers, journalism, U.S. Secret Service, FBI careers, fashion, law, careers in NASA, business, and much more.

Meet people from Denmark, Germany, Mexico, India, Japan, Gambia, and points beyond at an Ethnic Enrichment Festival that includes ethnic food, dance, and crafts. Enjoy a special dinner on the Country Club Plaza and a comedy improvisation. A keynote presentation, dances, and other activities round out the experience.

The cost is \$275\* for youth (4 per sleeping room) and \$360 for adults. Youth may attend this conference no more than two times if they meet the age requirement. Online registration is December 1-January 10, 2008.

\* Youth can pay an additional \$100 to guarantee that they have their own bed. This means that the youth will not share a bed with another youth. If a youth chooses this option his/her registration fee is \$375.

Visit <http://www.4h.missouri.edu/events/globalconf/> for more details and a link to the online registration site. Don't miss out!

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**CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS**

**For All Teens:** 14 OR OLDER, INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE 4-H WASHINGTON FOCUS TRIP IN THE SUMMER OF 2008? A GROUP FROM MISSOURI PLANS TO GO I'LL BE GLAD TO COORDINATE YOUR NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION SO YOU CAN RECEIVE THE DETAILS. THEY NEED TO KNOW NOW, IF YOU HAVE AN INTEREST. CALL TODAY IF YOU ARE INTERESTED

**GLOBAL EDUCATION UPDATE**

Just a reminder that applications for youth who want to participate in the out-bound programs (Japan, Australia, Norway, Finland, and Costa Rica) are due in the State Office on or before December 1<sup>st</sup>.

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