



“THE CLOVER GROWER”

Barton County 4-H Family Newsletter

“Making The Best Better”



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Welcome 4-H Families,

With 2008 comes choices.. BIG choices... Little choices.....

Sometimes the “little choices” in our lives turn out to be some of the biggest choices we ever make.. Choice is defined by Webster as “select with care”, “of high quality,” the best part”

The Barton County 4-H program is of the “highest quality”, it has the “best of the best” families, “select with care” the programs and activities that are best for our youth to achieve excellence. Decisions or changes that come throughout year sometimes push the edge of results to negative or positive. Little choices of patience and attitude will amaze you with positive results in just a short period of time.

It has been said “4-H is the best kept secret around”. Invite a new friend to your next 4-H club meeting? It only takes a gentle nudge for you as a 4-H member to help others make a positive choice in the right direction.

I challenge each of you to read and share the newsletter each month , you may share something someone else missed. Use the 4-H Clover , select one new project to enroll in. Be enthusiastic!! Be Creative!!! Think positive!! This is a new opportunity to move forward and complete it with success.

As we move into 2008, Barton County 4-H is on the right direction. “Making The Best Better” is the 4-H slogan. As we journey forward let us continue to amaze the Barton County Community with the outstanding leadership Barton County 4-H has to offer.

January /February 2008

January 8-4-H council Mtg. Wolf Center 7:00 pm

10 KC Global Conference– On line registrations close January 10,

19– Member /Leader training and Volunteer Orientation—Bolivar, Mo.

26– Member/Leader training and Volunteer Orientation—Mt Vernon, Mo.

28– 4-H club highlights deadline for the Clover Grower

February 1– Crop Till You Drop– Wolf Center—6:30 pm

2-3 State 4-H Teen Conference—Columbia, Mo.

18 President Day– Make It Happen 4-H Club

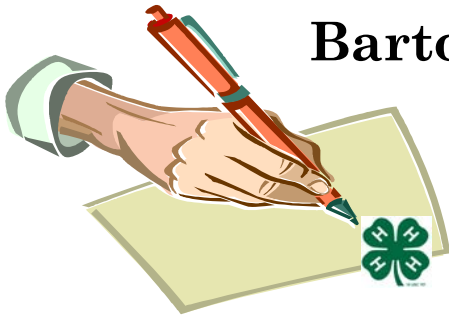
Looking forward to Barton County 4-H in 2008

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Barton County 4-H Club Information

CLUB LEADERS ...Members.. Volunteers
4-H Council Meeting January 8, 2008,
7:00 pm Wolf Center

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 may add and drop any project until May 1, 2008
If you have question please ask! Don't hesitate to call .

Red Cross Cookie Donations Schedule

Feb 18, 2008 - _____

April 21, 2008 _____

June 23, 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.

SHOOTING SPORTS **Spring Certification Workshop**

April 4-6, 2008

Camp JoOta

Clarence, MO

Registration information will be available in late January.



State 4-H Award Applicant Interviews

State 4-H Council Regional Representative Interviews

Southwest Regional Horse Bowl

March 1, 2008 Southwest Center, Mt Vernon MO.

Award and Representative application are due to the Extension office by January 31, 2008. If you would like to apply or sign up and further information contact the 4-H office 682-359

DISCOVERING 4-H 2008 – A Member, Leader and Family Workshop

BRIGHT AND BOLD XIV, Sat., Jan. 19

Southwest Baptist University, Bolivar, MO

Make A Wish Community Service

MAKING THE BEST BETTER VIII, Sat., Jan.26

Mt. Vernon Middle School, Mt. Vernon, MO

Volunteer Orientation Workshop



Registration Forms enclosed

SEE YOU THERE



State/ Regional 4-H DATES FOR 2008



Please mark your calendars now!!

Barton County 4-H Council meets each other second Tuesday at 7:00 pm through October at the Wolf Center 801 East 12th Lamar, MO. 64759 When you see (T) below, it means tentative or approximate date.

- Jan.** See calendar in "Clover Grower"
- Feb** See calendar in "Clover Grower"
- Mar.** 1 Regional Horse Bowl, State Award and Reg. Rep. Interviews, SW Center, Mt. Vernon
- 8 MO Youth Livestock Judging and Grading Contest and Equine Event, Columbia
- 12-15 KC 4-H Global Conference
- 15 State Horse Judging Contest and Judging Clinic, Columbia
- ? SW Regional 4-H Teen Council's RATT to MO or OK
- April** 4-6 State Shooting Sports Leader's Certification Workshop, Macon, MO
- 19 State 4-H Horse Bowl Contest, Columbia
- 20 State 4-H Hippo logy Contest, Columbia
- May** 1 Horse Enrollment Forms due to be extension center
- 15 4-H CK's, Member and Teen Camp applications due
- June** 3-5 Missouri 4-H Dairy Cow Camp (T)
- 4-6 State 4-H Congress, Columbia
- 7 State Poultry Extravaganza, Columbia
- 9-13 Missouri Agri-Business Academy, Kansas City
- 15-18 Teen Camp, Roaring River State Park, Cassville (T)
- 18-21 Member Camp #1 (T)
- 21-22 Clover Kids Camp (T)
- 21-30 Washington Focus Trip
- 22-23 Scrap Booking Camp (T)
- 23-26 Member Camp #2 (T)
- 30-July 2 4-H Youth Forum, Jefferson City
- July** 12 4-H Day with the Springfield Cardinals
- 14 Regional 4-H Achievement Day, OTC, Springfield
- 15 Regional 4-H Shooting Sports Meet, Bois D'Arc
- 23 Check in 4-H Building Exhibits at OEF
- 25-Aug. 3 Ozark Empire Fair, Springfield
- 24-27 State 4-H/FFA Horse Show, Sedalia
- Aug.** 1 State Fair Exhibits due to Extension Center
- 4 Check out OEF exhibits
- 7-17 Missouri State Fair, Sedalia
- Sept.** 6 State Livestock Judging, Horse Public Speaking and Demonstrations, Columbia
- State 4-H Fashion Revue, Columbia

Web Resources: Ozark Empire Fair www.ozarkempirefair.com Missouri State Fair www.mostatetfair.com
 Missouri 4-H Office www.4h.missouri.edu
 Barton County Extension office bartonco@missouri.edu



Barton County 4-H Club Information

Barton County 4-H Flag Schedule 2008

February 18	President Day	Make-It-Happen
May 8	Truman's Birthday	Milford
May 26	Memorial Day	Jr. Leaders
June 14	Flag Day	City Clovers
July 4	Independence Day	Shiloh
September 1	Labor Day	Learn-A-Do
September 18	Citizenship Day	Range Masters
October 13	Columbus Day	Irwin
November 11	Veterans Day	Rough Riders

MISSOURI YOUTH LIVESTOCK GRADING & JUDGING CONTEST

will be held on Saturday, March 8, at the Trowbridge Livestock Center in Columbia.

The workshop and contest is open to all 4-H and FFA members. You may take part in the judging contest or the workshop. Registration fee is \$6 and is due by February 10 (T).

This makes an excellent project meeting to learn more about judging beef, sheep and swine. Registration forms available about Jan. 6, from email: Tony.Hancock@mda.mo.gov

Meat Goat Camp February 9, 2008

University of Missouri Extension 4-H and Missouri State University will hold a meat goat camp Feb. 9 at the Darr Agricultural Center in Springfield. The camp is open to 4-H and FFA members. The deadline to register is Feb. 1. Registration is \$15 per person .

2008 MISSOURI AGRIBUSINESS ACADEMY

Students must be high school sophomores from a farm family or active 4-H or FFA member. Details are not yet available but June 9-13, 30 participants will meet in Jefferson City and travel by chartered bus to St. Louis to meet agriculture industry representatives of agribusiness, journalism, finance, farm management, and career personnel placement services.

Applications are due Feb. 1, are will be available on line at: www.mda.mo.gov/Most expenses are paid. For current information contact: MO Dept. of Ag at 573-751-5618.

City Clover 4-H Club

Invites all county 4-H clubs to save these date in 2008

February 1- Crop till you Drop- Wolf Center- 6:30 pm

April 14-Learn More about Demonstrations & Judging
Wolf Center- 7:00 pm

July 7- 4-H Summer Fun-Scavenger Hunt-
Lamar City Park

4-H Club News

Reporter / Club Leaders

For Clover Grower
and
Lamar Democrat



CLUB HIGHLIGHTS – each month your club reporter is asked to mail the office a report of your club meeting. Where's yours?



4-HVolunteer Orientation Information

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

Here is my next essay in the Leader Orientation Series. This one has to do with records and activities. Each 4-H member must keep a record of his/her 4-H work. Records are not an extra task, but are a part of the 4-H project. Few young people (adults are no exception) enjoy record keeping. However, in our society, the record keeping habit is quite valuable.

WHY ENCOURAGE 4-H'ERS TO KEEP GOOD RECORDS?

A Good 4-H Record - is a measuring stick. When others are informed of a member's progress it will usually stimulate self-improvement in the member.

A Good 4-H Record - is a mirror. It will reflect accomplishments and therefore serve as the basis for awards, trips and other recognition.

A Good 4-H Record - teaches a desirable habit. Modern day society demands that each and every one, no matter what vocation, keep track of financial and business matters. Developing this habit early in life will be a valuable asset.

A Good 4-H Record - can be achieved only when there is the proper attitude and cooperation between member, parents and leaders.

A separate record sheet is used for each project in which a 4-H'er is enrolled. The sheet provides space for project goals, expenses, receipts, skills learned and other information about the project. New record sheets are issued each year for the project in which the member enrolls. The information from this form is used to apply for county, state or even national 4-H awards.

The County and Missouri 4-H Report Forms - A summary of all project information, exhibits, offices held, events attended and other participation for the current 4-H year. Used by members to apply for the county and state awards. To see what awards are available and when they are due consult the county 4-H handbook or contact the 4-H office.

WHEN SHOULD 4-H RECORDS BE COMPLETED? - 4-H members are strongly encouraged to work on records throughout the year as they do their project work. Many project leaders will have the 4-H'ers work on their records at the project meetings. If you don't know how project records are being handled in each of your child's projects, ask the leaders. Remember, these records help your child see the progress they are making and serve as the basis of future award applications. The 4-H year runs from September 1 to August 31 each year. Records should include all activities regarding the 4-H'er and his/her project(s) that occur during the 4-H year. Younger members can complete their records in pencil, either printing or script. For older members theirs should be completed in ink, typewritten or generated on a computer. All award forms are available in a computer format, consult the county website for copies or ask for them at the county 4-H office.

QUESTIONS - Visit with experienced project leaders, club leader(s) and us here at the office. We want your family to have a successful 4-H year. An awards and report form session is planned each year in January somewhere in the Region. We'd be glad to have a county program or visit your club meeting with this information. Award information is available from your extension center any time. Check with your club leader about what information they already have. Call the office and ask. The only dumb question is the unasked question!

LOCAL CLUB ACTIVITIES

CLUB TOURS - Some 4-H Clubs across the state hold a 4-H Club Tour during the summer. Tours provide an opportunity for 4-H'ers with animal, garden, etc., project to "Show and Tell" their projects to the other 4-H members and parents of their club. Many clubs end the tour with a potluck supper, swimming party or some type of fun activity for the whole family.

CLUB ACTIVITIES - Each year, clubs select an activity that the club works on as a group. Examples of club activities are found in the "Clover" and include: conserving natural resources, safety, personal appearance, family times, courtesy, international understanding and others. The purpose of the club activity is to encourage group unity and fellowship in working and learning together. **ADDITIONAL CLUB ACTIVITIES** - are planned by individual clubs. Visit with your club leader(s) about the unique activities of your 4-H club. Examples your club could do as a special activities could include making valentines for nursing homes or preparing Christmas baskets for the needy.

COUNTYWIDE ACTIVITIES

ACHIEVEMENT DAY (June) – Achievement Day provides an opportunity for members to show off their personal project work. They may do this by participating in some of the following events: Demonstrations; Project Judging; Personal Development; Fashion Revue; Public Speaking; Clover Kid Sharing. Blue ribbon winners in certain categories may be selected to represent Jasper County at Regional Achievement Day, held in July in Springfield. For more information what the April and May Newsletter or contact the 4-H office

THE FAIR - The Fair provides an opportunity for members to "show off" their project work. Competent judges evaluate all exhibits and every exhibit receives a color ribbon denoting its quality in comparison to the ideal. Blue ribbons are used to reward exhibits of superior quality and workmanship; red ribbons are placed on above average exhibits; average quality exhibits receive white ribbons, and no ribbons may be placed on poor quality exhibits. All 4-H'ers are encouraged to make entries at the Fair from the projects in which they are enrolled. Fair exhibit lists are available to each 4-H Family around the first of May. **CONFERENCE JUDGING** - In conference judging, the judge and 4-H member visit about the exhibit or presentation being evaluated. 4-H members knowing "why" they receive the ribbon they do greatly increases the learning experience for them. Conference judging is used in for the Jasper County Youth Fair.

4-H LEADERS' COUNCIL/4-H COUNCIL - The 4-H Leaders' Council in Jasper County is composed of what is officially called the Parent's Association. The Parent's Association has the responsibility of many of the decision-making duties policy setting for the 4-H club program. Everyone, Leaders and Parents, are welcomed and encouraged to attend. It is important to have each club represented at the Parent's Association Meetings so that all clubs have a say in County decisions.

CLUB OFFICER AND LEADER TRAINING – Workshops are held for leaders in various phases of 4-H. Club leaders, project leaders and club officers find these training sessions helpful in fulfilling their duties. These are held on a regional basis in January, one in the eastern (Springfield) side of the region and one in the western (Joplin) side of the region. Other countywide training is held on an as need basis as determined by the Parent's Association and the Youth Specialist.

4-H News and Notes - A monthly newsletter to all 4-H families attempts to provide information about upcoming events and to recognize past efforts and achievements. Be sure to look for and read your newsletter each issue and keep it for reference. Hopefully, it will often raise questions in your mind. Don't hesitate to ask them. Call you club leader's) or our staff at the extension center. The newsletter is also available online at <http://extension.missouri.edu/jasper/> for folks that have lost theirs or for new folks that have not received one.

REGIONAL, STATE & NATIONAL ACTIVITIES

REGIONAL ACTIVITIES - Activities are conducted on a Regional wide (16 counties in Southwest Mo.) basis. 4-H'ers find out about these activities through the newsletter – Another reason to read it closely.

OZARK EMPIRE FAIR (OEF) & THE STATE FAIR - Many 4-H'ers who have exhibits that qualify at county, exhibit in the 4-H division at the OEF. If they qualify at OEF they are exhibited at the Missouri State Fair. In addition, 4-H'ers may represent their county in the demonstrations, various judging events and by showing their livestock. For more information contact the county 4-H office.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK - (first full week in October) - A week is set aside each year to recognize and promote 4-H across our great country. Each year a theme highlights the week and we use it throughout the 4-H year. Many of the clubs will have window displays or booths or some special promotion of 4-H in their community. Public Service Announcements on one or more radio stations are common.

AWARDS

AWARDS ARE NOT AN END TO YOUR 4-H PROGRAM. The objective of awards is to encourage and further a youth's educational development and to help him/her look further up the road of achievements. Means of recognition and awards are offered as incentives to encourage 4-H'ers to strive to do their best in all phases of their life.

COMPLETION PINS are awarded to 4-H members who complete their year. This includes attending at least half of club meetings held during the year and completing at least one project.

For a complete look at the 4-H awards system, please contact your club leader or extension center for the latest information. Awards do change from year to year.

Have a great January!

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

MISSOURI SHOW ME QUALITY ASSURANCE (MSMQA)-

By June 1, 2008, all 4-H members enrolled in food animal projects including beef, sheep, swine, dairy cattle, meat and dairy goats, rabbits, and poultry must complete the appropriate level of MSMQA certification to be considered a 4-H member in good standing in that project.

Please note that food animal project members showing at the State Fair in 2008 should be prepared to present their MSMQA card at check in. For the complete MSMQA guidelines go to

[Missouri 4-H Food Quality Assurance Policies and MSMQA Information](#) (Word document).

Our only currently scheduled trainings will be held Jan. 19 and 26 at the two regional leaders workshops. Be sure, if you are under 14 and plan to show any livestock, that you attend training this year, unless you have already attended two sessions. Check the above guidelines for details.

Members 14 or older when they took the training, once is enough. If 13 when you first took it, then you must attend a second one now that you are 14.

To potentially 'test out' 4-H members unable to attend the face to face training may go online and complete the tutorial at <http://www.agebb.missouri.edu/smqa/>.

However, I strongly encourage members to consider attending the face to face training. 4-H offers a great opportunity for us to meet and get to know other members with similar interests. Promotion of food quality assurance training is timely and the content is delivered in a fun, developmentally friendly format.

Enroll for the Bolivar or Mt. Vernon trainings today. See enclosed program/registration form. All families are invited to attend. There is something for everyone. We had over 200 attend the sessions in Bolivar both of the last two years. It would be great to have every Barton County 4-H family represented.

STATE HORSE JUDGING CONTEST WORKSHOP/CLINIC

March 15, 2008

Each year Missouri 4-H hosts a state horse judging contest to pick the top junior and senior teams, with the seniors advancing to a national contest.

In addition to the top junior and senior team's medals, they also award the top ten individuals with certificates and give belt buckles to the top junior and top senior individual. Members do not have to enter as teams, just by age (Jr. by Jan 1; 13 and under and Sr. 14 & older). Counties have no limit on number of entries. Top three scorers will make up our county's team. Coaches will be given a print out reflecting placing and scoring for all members from their county.

It will be Saturday, March 15, at Trowbridge Livestock Center, Columbia. Registration 8:30 a.m., with the event beginning at 9 and normally it's finished by 4 p.m. Pre-register youth will receive an information letter with maps, details, etc.

The registration fee is \$15 per individual for the contest or the clinic. Register through extension office by Jan. 17.

All regular 4-Hers (not Clover Kids) interested in horse judging are invited.

DISCOVER DISCOVER 4-H YOU

Through Clover Kids clubs, children learn how to get along, share, and work in groups, explore their interests, and build self-confidence. Each Clover Kids Corner provides an activity, information or other materials that Clover Kids leaders can use in planning and implementing experiences that introduce five-to seven-year olds to the 4-H concept of learning by doing.

Soapy Snowman

Materials/Supplies per person:

½ cup water Mixer 2 cups Ivory Snow Detergent (not liquid!)
Toothpicks, buttons, sticks, beads, felt scraps, yarn, chenille sticks, etc.

Instructions:

Mix Ivory Snow Detergent with water until it is a dough consistency (a mixer works well). Right away, shape the dough into 3 different sized balls. Use toothpicks to hold the balls together as you stack them. Add the decorations – arms, scarf, hat, etc.

Source: Iowa State University Extension, 4-H Clover Kids Electronic Newsletter. December, 2007

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/Clover/materials.htm>

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DISCOVERING 4-H 2008 – A Member, Leader and Family Workshop

BRIGHT AND BOLD XIV, Sat., Jan. 19

Southwest Baptist University, Bolivar, MO

9:00 a.m. Registration

9:30 Welcome—Rick Mammen, Southwest Regional Director

10:00 V-1 Making the Best Better Volunteer Orientation (will last until lunch)

10:30 A-1 The Perfect 4-H Program

A-2 Project Leader Curriculum

A-3 Club Officer Workshop – President and V.P.

A-4 Club Officer Workshop - Secretary

A-5 Club Officer Workshop– Treasurer

A-6 Club Officer Workshop– Reporter

A-7 Club Officer Workshop– Game and Song leaders

A-8 Clover Kids Activities (CKs only)

11:15 B-1 How to Give a Winning Demonstration/Public Speech

B-2 Clover Kids Leaders Training

B-3 4-H Camp Get-A-Way

B-4 Where in the World is 4-H– International Travel

B-5 Clover Kids Activities (CKs only)

B-6 New 4-H Family Orientation

B-7 4-H Regional, State, and National Trips

B-8 Setting up a Dog Agility project

B-9 Setting up a Horse Trail Ride project

B-10 Understanding Photography Exhibit guidelines

12:00 Lunch - 4-H Youth and Our Future

1:00 & 2:00 C-1 Make It and Take It for Quilting D-1

C-2 Make It and Take It for Foods International D-2

C-3 Make It and Take It for Sport Fishing D-3

C-4 Make It and Take It for Leather Work D-4

C-5 Make It and Take It for Robotics D-5

C-6 Make It and Give It for Scrapbooking D-6

C-7* Show-Me Quality Assurance Beef, Dairy, Swine

C-8* Show-Me Quality Assurance Sheep, Goat, Rabbit, Poultry

C-9* Making the Best Volunteer Orientation

* Participants must complete both sessions to be certified

3:00 Wrap Up and Evaluations and more Door Prizes!!

3:10 Regional Teen Council will meet to plan the 2008 RATT on both Saturdays

MAKING THE BEST BETTER VIII, Sat., Jan. 26

Mt. Vernon Middle School, Mt. Vernon, MO



4-H CAN HELP

Are you looking for a community service project to add to your Report Form?

Well, look no further. Help restock depleted food pantries by bringing non-perishable items to Making the Best Better and Bright and Bold. Each person who brings a food item will receive one extra door prize ticket. Limit one extra ticket per person.



Make A Wish

Community Service

Would you like to make a child smile? Would you like to give them a memory. We have an opportunity for a different type of community service project. When “Make a Wish Foundation” grants a wish to a young person they also give them a scrapbook to put their pictures in. During Bright and Bold and Making the Best Better you will have an opportunity to help make a scrapbook.. Since we won’t have time for each to do a whole book you may make as many pages as you can. The books are 8 x 8 and will be a Disney theme. Most of the wishes are to go to Disney World. If you have any supplies that you would like to donate please feel free to bring them. Have questions? Contact Deanna Stuckey stuckeyd@missouri.edu for more information.

-----Clip and Mail-----

Advanced registrations due **Jan. 7, for Bolivar** program and **Jan. 14, for Mt. Vernon**, at \$6 per person and includes lunch. Registration at the door is \$10. This form may be copied.

Make check to: Barton **County 4-H** and mail to: **801 east 12th, Lamar, Mo. 64759**

Name _____ County _____

Address _____ City _____

Zip _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____

Mt. Vernon ___ Bolivar ___

List the number of each session you plan to attend. At 10:00 ____ 10:30 ____, 11:15 ____, 1:00 ____, and 2:00 ____

Sessions not receiving advanced registrations will be canceled. Thank You for registering early!

How To Get To “Bright and Bold XIV” at Bolivar, January 19

Southwest Baptist University, McClelland Dining Facility, Bolivar

From the North on MO-13 or west on Hwy 32: take Hwy 32 east and go to the second light on the square and turn right on Springfield Avenue/Business 83. Go about 0.8 miles and turn right at ESTEP DRIVE onto the SBU campus. McClelland Dining Facility is the first building on your left.

From the South on MO – 13: take the first Bolivar exit, Business 83. Go north and turn left at ESTEP DRIVE onto the SBU campus. McClelland Dining Facility is the first building on your left.

From the East on MO-32: Turn left onto Business MO-13/MO-83 at the first traffic signal on the square. Go south approximately 0.8 miles. Turn right onto ESTEP DRIVE onto the SBU campus. McClelland Dining Facility will be the first building on your left



How to get to “Making the Best Better VIII” at Mt. Vernon; January 26

Mt. Vernon Middle School, 731 S. Landrum Street, Mt. Vernon

From the North – While traveling South on Hwy 39, turn left on Sloan Street (at the football field. The school is on your left.

From the South – While traveling North on Hwy 39, turn right on Sloan Street (at the football field). The school is on your left.

From the East—While traveling West on I-44, take Exit 46 (highway 39). At the top of the off ramp, turn right onto the business loop. Turn right (north) on Highway 39. Turn right on Sloan Street (at the football field. The school is on your left.

From the West—While traveling East on I-44, take Exit 44 (highway H). At the bottom of the off ramp, turn left. Turn left (north) on Highway 39. Turn right on Sloan Street (at the football field. The school is on your left.