March 4-H meetings:

Wednesday 5 & 19:
Neelyville 4-H Club Meeting, 4pm

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Royal Riders Meeting, Qulin Lions Club, 3:15pm

Wednesday 5:
Rombauer Rascals Meeting, 5:30pm

Monday 17: Steppin’ Up 4-H Club Meeting, First United Methodist Church, Poplar Bluff 5:30pm

Monday/Wednesdays: ASI Club Meetings, Sacred Heart Church, Poplar Bluff 3pm

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Samantha Hager, March 8th
Madalyn Berry, March 10th
Chris Waite, March 13th
Seth-Michael Lindsay, March 15th
Liz Brown, March 20th
Randi Hager, March 20th
Michael Roberts, March 31st

4-H COUNCIL MEETING

The next council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 4 at 6:30 at the University of Missouri Extension office in Poplar Bluff.

Statewide Events:

SHOOTING SPORTS CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP

Deadlines

Local Events/Projects:

March 1: Horse Judging State Contest, Equine Trip, Tennessee Walking Horse Award
March 31: MOVE Log Forms due to Extension office
April 4: State 4-H Congress Applications due
May 23: Deadline for SEMO Camp Counselor Applications (ages 14-18)
June 6: Deadline for SEMO Camp Applications (ages 8-13)
Dates and location for the spring Shooting Sports Leader Certification workshop are set: March 28-30, Camp JoOta near Clarence, MO. Look for details and registration forms to be available in mid-January. Look online at: [http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports/workshop.htm](http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports/workshop.htm)

*If you are interested in attending, the cost of the workshop will be reimbursed afterwards!

**4-H FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS**

College is expensive but 4-H can help! 4-H participation and involvement leads young people to explore various careers and educational options. The Missouri 4-H Foundation offers college scholarships that help 4-H members pursue their educational dreams.

In 2014 thanks to generous donor support, the Missouri 4-H Foundation will offer 54 college scholarships ($500 - $2,500/scholarship). 4-Hers who are current high school seniors and former 4-Hers who are college students are eligible to apply. The scholarship guidelines and application is available on the Missouri 4-H website at [http://www.4h.missouri.edu/recognition/](http://www.4h.missouri.edu/recognition/). Applications are due March 24, 2014.

**SHOW–ME 4-H WARES 2014**

This year, Butler County is participating in the Show Me 4-H Wares program! This program is for young entrepreneurs to sell their 4-H products at the Butler County Fair.

Any 4-H member, pair of 4-H members, or group of up to three 4-H members from the same club, is eligible to apply to market or sell *original* products or services. Applications will come at a later date.

**2014 MISSOURI 4-H EQUINE TOUR WESTWARD BOUND!**

Are you dreaming of combining your equine passion with a future career, interested in learning more about the horse industry, and enjoy making new 4-H friends who share your love of horses? The University of Missouri Extension 4-H Annual Equine Tour may be just for you! The 2014 tour, May 20-26, will be exploring the horse industry in Nebraska, Wyoming and Colorado and is open to Missouri 4-H teens ages 14-18. Tours will include collegiate equine education departments, working cattle and horse ranches, and a possible Colorado trail ride. Participants will learn from leading equine professionals in the fields of equine therapy, entertainment, outfitters, training, art, rodeo, saddle making, and equine welfare. In its eighth year, the tour has proven to be a great opportunity for participants to expand and clarify their possible equine related career paths. The $600 tour fee provides charter bus transportation, 4-H staff chaperones, and all travel related expenses.
Applications are available at: http://mo4h.missouri.edu/events/horse/ and are due before March 1, 2014. For additional information, contact Debbie Davis, 816-539-3765, davisdd@missouri.edu.

4-H MOVE ACROSS MISSOURI
4-H Move Across Missouri (MOVE) promotes physical activity by encouraging youths and families to engage in physical activities they enjoy, such as walking, biking, running, swimming, dance, taekwondo, gardening and more.

Using an online system, youths and their families can “log” the number of minutes they accumulate throughout the year. Sign up as an individual or as part of a team. MOVE awards will be provided. Sign up on the 4-H website at http://www.4h.missouri.edu/programs/move/

4-H DAY WITH THE CARDINALS
The Cardinals will play the Atlanta Braves on May 17, 2014. Tickets for the game will be $25.00 each and include a t-shirt and the opportunity to participate in a parade around the Busch Stadium outfield. Families can take part in a raffle for great prizes, a chance to throw out the first pitch, autographed baseballs, and tickets to future Cardinals baseball games, provided by the St. Louis Cardinals. Orders must be postmarked by April 7, 2014. Tickets usually sell out before the deadline, so families are encouraged to order early. 4-H Clubs, counties, or groups of families who would like to be seated together must send their orders in the same envelope. Forms are available at: http://4h.missouri.edu/events/cardinals/ or at your local Extension office.

4-H CAMP
4-H Camp 2014 is almost here! The theme this year is “Shoot for the Stars” and will be held June 23, 24, and 25. 4-H’ers ages 8-13 are invited to attend and ages 14-18 are eligible to apply as counselors. We have many fun activities planned, so make sure you register! For more information, contact Stephanie Milner or Courtney Roberts at (573) 686-8064.

SEMO FAIR
Steer weigh in has been scheduled for March 15, 2014 at the Fruitland Livestock auction from 1:00pm – 3:00pm for the SEMO Fair. All youth need to bring $2.00 cash per steer for tag fees.

State Fair: To be eligible to exhibit a steer in the state fair, you must own the animal by March 1. Please contact the Extension office so nose prints can be taken. Nose prints are due by March 15.
STATE 4-H CONGRESS
Congress is designed for Missouri 4-H’ers ages 14-19 and is scheduled for May 28-30, 2014. 4-H’ers will learn the life skills of a super leader, connecting with experts in quality workshops, and plenty of learning opportunities! Experience campus living in residence halls, cafeterias, classrooms – you name it!
Applications are due April 4 to your local office. For more information, visit: http://4h.missouri.edu/events/congress/

BOLLINGER COUNTY ACCELERATOR
Come and enjoy a day of fun and games with fellow 4-H’ers and a State Council Member!
Have a taste of State Congress/Teen Conference and become a super-leader!
The fun will begin March 15 at 1 pm at the United Methodist Church in Marble Hill and end at 6 pm. This event is hosted by Bollinger County, and attendees must RSVP by March 5. If you are interested, contact Maria Calvert, County Youth Liaison, at: doglovermo@hotmail.com

FILMFEST 2014
This event connects young filmmaking enthusiasts with film industry professionals and other youth who share those same interests. Festivalgoers are free to make the arrangements for travel, lodging, and meals that best fit their needs. Your $129 All Access Pass is your ticket to the event and includes: film screenings, field trips, festivities, meetings, exciting workshops with film industry professionals, and other opportunities. Now is the time to get started! The film submission form has been posted online and films will be accepted through July 1, 2014. Same as last year, there is a 10-minute time limit on films so we are able to screen as many as possible in the most interesting ways. We continue to urge filmmakers to avoid scenes that involve youth pointing guns at each other or other inappropriate behaviors. This will help us give your films the widest possible exposure through 4-H channels without creating unnecessary complications.
This year’s film categories are: Narrative, Animation, Documentary, 4-H Promotional, and Voices of 4-H History. If you have any questions about FilmFest 4-H, please email: Filmfest4h@missouri.edu

“If you can dream it, you can do it.”
– Walt Disney

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Penny Cleaning Factory

Supplies
✓ Pennies, 2/participant
✓ Water
✓ Soap
✓ Baking Soda
✓ Vinegar
✓ Salt

Directions
Ask participants how they might be able to clean a penny. They may suggest water, soap, vinegar, soda, salt, etc. Have each participant develop a hypothesis (a guess as to what might work) that he/she can test.

Give each participant two pennies. One will be a “control” penny with nothing done to clean it. Participants test their hypotheses and then share results with the group.

Note: Salt and vinegar will make the penny shine.