



The Clover Connection

March
2011

March Birthdays



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| Nathan McMullin | 3/14 |
| Lacey O'Neal | 3/14 |
| Cassie Reid | 3/23 |
| Brice Eiserer | 3/25 |

Happy Birthday... ...to YOU!!!



March Club Meetings

Chase 4-H,

Sunday, March 6, 5:00pm
Norborne Home Savings & Loan

Happy Hustlers 4-H Club

Sunday, March 13, 4:30pm
Carroll County Youth Building

Bosworth Fireballs 4-H Club

Sunday, March 20, 4:00pm
Bosworth School Cafeteria



Clovers To....

...Everyone who attended the Regional Energizer; Bethany, Hannah, Wesley and Kathy Miller, Abby, Ali and Mona Dobbins, Alta O'Neal, Cassie and Anita Reid
 ...Bethany Miller for her demonstration at the annual extension meeting
 ...Hannah Miller who provided musical entertainment at the annual extension meeting
 ...all 4-H members who displayed projects at the annual extension meeting
 ...Hannah Miller who has been selected to run for Regional Representative at State Congress
 ...our youth council members for designing our awesome county t-shirts and hoodies
 ...Cassie Reid, who will be a "4-H Super Heroes" counselor this summer
 ... the Dobbins and Ehlert families for attending 4-H Day With the Lady Tigers
 ... everyone for doing such a great job selling cookies



Saving the Day the 4-H Way

Join 4-H Super Heroes from Benton, Carroll, Chariton, Howard, Pettis and Saline counties at 4-H Camp June 14 – 16 at Heit's Point in Benton County.

Registration Fees

Early Bird: \$95 due by April 29th
\$110 due by May 6th

Carroll County 4-H Council will refund \$35 to all Carroll County Campers after camp

See insert for more information and application

Partial scholarships are available based on financial need; please contact Anita Reid for more information at 542-1792.



State Fair DNA Cards

Anyone planning to show a barrow/market hog at the Missouri State Fair needs to contact the Extension Office by March 15th so we can order DNA cards. The cards need to be returned to the Extension Center by May 11th.



4-H Foundation Scholarships

In 2011, thanks to generous donor support, the Missouri 4-H Foundation will offer 58 college scholarships (\$500-\$2500/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/>. Applications are due in the Carroll County Extension 4-H office by March 14, 2011.



Time is Running Out...ACT NOW!!!

Carroll County 4-H T-Shirt/Hoodie orders are due in to the Extension office by March 21, 2011. Have you ordered yours??? Additional forms are available at the extension office, or you may phone in your order by calling 542-1792.

Clover Kids Corner

Through 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 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.

Lucky Smoothie

Make this healthful, green smoothie for St. Patrick's Day.

Supplies

- 2 (peeled) kiwis
- 1 frozen banana
- 1/2 cup vanilla yogurt
- Splash of milk
- Dab of honey
- Green food coloring (optional)



Instructions:

With the help of an adult, put all of the ingredients into a blender and puree until smooth. Serve in a chilled glass.

Monthly MOVEMENT Activity

Power Jumping

Materials

- 6 to 8 feet of large bubble wrap
- Clothespins (one for each child)
- Measuring tape
- Marker



Instructions

Ask youth how far they can jump. Lay out a long strip of bubble wrap (preferably the large bubble kind). Youth stand at the end with both feet together. They swing their arms back and jump forward as far as possible. Listen to the bubbles popping! Fasten a clothespin with each participant's name to the side of the bubble wrap where the heels landed. Ask youth what they can do to improve their jump (i.e., bend knees more, push harder off the toes, etc.). Use the measuring tape to measure the distance.

Using an online or paper copy system, youths and their families can "log" the number of minutes they accumulate throughout the year and during the competitive component of the MOVE program from February 1 – May 31. 4-Hers can enroll in the online MOVE program as individuals and/or as part of a team. An individual MOVEmay also be a part of a team. A team can consist of a family or members of a 4-H club or group. MOVE awards will be provided. Stay tuned! MOVE is sponsored by the Missouri Beef Industry Council. For more details, visit:

<http://www.4h.missouri.edu/programs/move/>.



Missouri and Illinois 4-H members, parents, volunteers and alumni will gather at Busch Stadium on **Saturday, May 7, 2011** for the 10th annual 4-H Day with the Cardinals. The Cardinals will be playing the Milwaukee Brewers in a 3:10 p.m. game. Tickets for the game will be \$24.00 each which includes a specially designed t-shirt featuring the 4-H Clover on the back and the Cardinals emblem on the front.

4-H members, leaders, alumni, and their families who purchase 4-H Day with the Cardinals tickets will have the opportunity to participate in a parade around the Busch Stadium outfield. Families can also take part in a raffle for great prizes including the chance to throw out the first pitch, autographed baseballs, and tickets to Cardinals baseball games provided by the St. Louis Cardinals. Pre-game ceremonies will include a recitation of the 4-H pledge and ceremonial first pitches by an Illinois and Missouri 4-H member.

Tickets for the event must be ordered on the 4-H Day with the Cardinals order form. Ticket order forms are available at the University of Missouri Extension center, or on the Missouri 4-H web at <http://4h.missouri.edu/events/cardinals/>. **Ticket orders must be postmarked by March 28, 2011. Tickets usually sell out before the order 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.

Families can also participate in the 4-H Day with the Cardinals raffle to win prizes such as throwing out the first pitch, autographed baseballs, and tickets to other Cardinal baseball games. Funds raised through the raffle are used to support Missouri and Illinois 4-H programs. Complete information about the 4-H Day with the Cardinals raffle is on the ticket order form.



Tattoos for Steers and Market Heifers

4-H and FFA Members

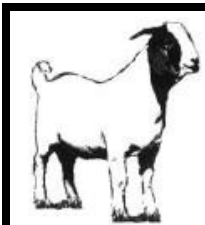
Tattoos for registered steers and registered market heifers* is a new State Fair rule. Please be aware of the following: What animals need a tattoo to show at the Mo State Fair?

Registered steers and registered market heifers shown at the 2011 Mo State Fair in the 4-H/FFA division. **The tattoo number is required to match the number on the registration paper.**

Sellers normally tattoo registered animals and again, the tattoo number in the animal's ear must match the registration paper.

It does not matter when or who tattoos the registered animal as long as the animal has a tattoo that matches the registration paper

*New this year, there will be 4-H and FFA Market Heifer Shows at the State Fair. Market Heifers will need to have a nose print submitted on or before the post mark date of March 15. Please use the same nose print card for market heifers that are used for steers. The market heifer must be open i.e. not bred.



Anyone needing a market lamb or goat nose printed for the state fair please contact the Extension office by **May 20th.**



Hunting Skills Leader Certification - APRIL 16-17, 2011

@ Windermere Conference Center

The annual weekend training and certification for Hunting & Outdoor Skills volunteers is scheduled for April 16-17. Plus an optional 7:30 p.m. Friday night session including early-bird lodging on Friday night.

The training includes: Wildlife Identification with hides, skulls, scat, tracks, wings - Map & compass skills - game recovery/ blood trails - plaster casts of animal tracks - preparing animal skulls for mounting - Dutch oven cooking - state contest event info & tips - and maybe even a Carmelita Hunt. Don't miss a fun and educational weekend.

Pre-registration is due April 1.

Details and registration available on the Missouri 4-H website or contact your county extension office. Certification previously in another Shooting Sports discipline is not required. <http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports/workshop.htm>

State Shoot Revised Rules - Now Available

The 2011 edition of the rules for the State Shoots is now available. There are some significant changes this year and volunteer instructors and parents should take time to review rules that affect them.

The revised rules can be downloaded at <http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports/contests.htm>



State Poultry Day is June 11, 2011 in Columbia, Missouri at the Animal Science Building. The event is open to all 4-Hers. Participants 14 and over by January 1 will be in the senior division. Registrations are due by May 6. Details and registration form at <http://4h.missouri.edu/events/livestock/#poultry>.



Beef Resources

Those interested in the beef project should check out two new web resources.

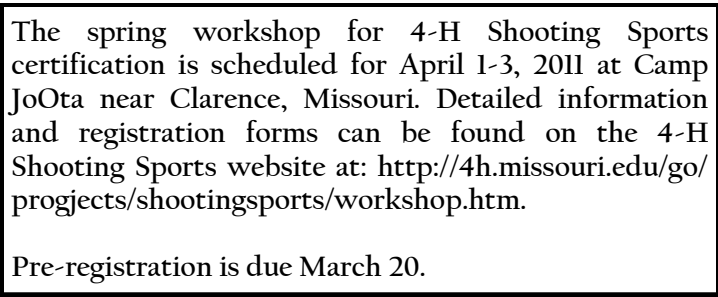
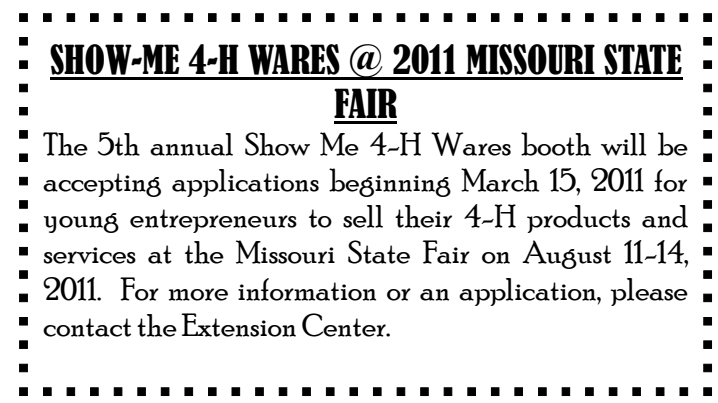
YouTube videos part 1 and 2: Low-stress halter breaking cattle

Reasons Terminology for Breeding Cattle

Both can be found on the Missouri 4-H website at <http://4h.missouri.edu/projects/projects1.htm#Beef>

SHOW-ME 4-H WARES @ 2011 MISSOURI STATE FAIR

The 5th annual Show Me 4-H Wares booth will be accepting applications beginning March 15, 2011 for young entrepreneurs to sell their 4-H products and services at the Missouri State Fair on August 11-14, 2011. For more information or an application, please contact the Extension Center.



The spring workshop for 4-H Shooting Sports certification is scheduled for April 1-3, 2011 at Camp JoOta near Clarence, Missouri. Detailed information and registration forms can be found on the 4-H Shooting Sports website at: <http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports/workshop.htm>.

Pre-registration is due March 20.



Computer Professions on Demand Scholarship Program

Applications are being accepted for the **2011 Computer Professions on Demand (CPOD)** scholarship program.

Twenty to twenty-five mid-Missouri students will be selected to receive a full scholarship to participate in the 2011 CPOD at no cost on June 19-24, 2011.

Students selected should currently be in their sophomore or junior year, although freshman and seniors may also apply. CPOD gives students a unique opportunity to explore career fields in computer technology and is hosted by the Jefferson City Information Technology Coalition and Linn State Technical College. Over one hundred and sixty mid-Missouri high school students have already participated in the scholarship program!

Or go to the website at <http://cpod.linnstate.edu/>. **The application deadline is March 31, 2011.**

For questions, please contact Stephanie Scheulen at 1.800.743.8324 ext. 5282 or 573.897.5282.



Robot Challenge

The MU College of Engineering is again inviting 4-H groups to participate in the InSITE Robotics Challenge for elementary and middle school youth. The event is Saturday, April 30, 2011 at the College of Engineering in Columbia. Registration deadline is March 31. Challenge objectives, rules, and details are at <http://4h.missouri.edu/events/robots/>

This is a great event for novice and experienced young roboticists. Preparing for the challenge can provide an excellent focus for robot project groups.



Youth Council Report

The Carroll County 4-H Youth Council met February 15, 2011 at 3:45 pm in the Carroll County Farm Bureau basement. The meeting was called to order by President, Dakota Sweeney. The Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge were recited. Roll call, "When is your birthday?" was answered by three council members, and two adults. Council members present were Hannah Miller, Cassie Reid and Dakota Sweeney. Adult leaders present were Kathy Miller and Anita Reid. Secretary, Cassie Reid read the minutes from the November 9th meeting; they were approved as read.

Parman Green addressed the council on behalf of the Carroll County Extension Council. He asked the Youth Council if they would come up with possible programs to educate local youth about agriculture. There are funds available for this purpose. He is not opposed to doing more things at a smaller cost, rather than one larger event. The Extension Council would like a proposal within the next couple of months. Ideas discussed were a trip to the state fair and a coloring contest. Summer School was also discussed as an easier way to do school activities.

Fuller Marketing will be printing our county t-shirts and hoodies; the selling price has been set at \$10 for t-shirts and \$25 for hoodies. All orders are due in the Extension Office by March 21st. County incentives for cookie sales will be a hoodie given to the top salesman and a t-shirt given to the second and third top salesmen.

Cassie Reid reported that an area dance is being planned by camp counselors. Hannah Miller, Cassie Reid, Kathy Miller, and Anita Reid reported on the Regional Energizer. Everyone agreed it was worth the trip. The Annual Extension Meeting will be held Saturday February 19th at 6:00 p.m. in the Carrollton Library Basement. Hannah Miller will be singing, Emilie Dobbins and Bethany Miller will be giving demonstrations. The Youth Council has been asked to help serve and clear tables. Hannah and Bethany Miller will represent the Youth Council at the next 4-H council meeting on February 16th.

The next meeting will be held April 20, 2010 at 3:45 pm in the Carroll County Farm Bureau basement.

Respectively submitted,
Cassie Reid, Secretary

Attention All Clubs!!! We would LOVE to hear what you're doing. Just submit the minutes from your club's monthly meeting, a brief report and/or picture by the 20th of each month, and we will publish them in "Clover Connection."

Resources for 4-H Robotics Projects Using Lego Mindstorms Nxt System



Great lessons and resources for 4-H robotics from Carnegie Mellon Robotics Academy
<http://www.education.rec.ri.cmu.edu/fire/fire-partners/4h/>

A multimedia tutorial for the NXT-G graphical language of the LEGO® Mindstorms® NXT system
http://www.ortop.org/NXT_Tutorial/

A site with free building instructions and downloadable programs for lots of fun projects
<http://nxtprograms.com/>

You can also find these links and more in the Robotics project section at
<http://4h.missouri.edu/projects/projects3.htm#robotics>.

AEROSPACE CAMP



Two sessions of Aerospace Camp have been set for July 12-14 and July 26-28 for ages 10-13 (by start of camp). Registration fee is \$225 for two nights stay and all meals during the three day camp. For more information and registration, go to <http://futurestudents.mst.edu/precollege/aerospace.html>



Summer Jobs at State Parks

A challenging - and paying - summer job could be just a click away for hundreds of youth across Missouri. Applications are being accepted now for the 2011 State Parks Youth Corps that will put hundreds of young Missourians to work at state parks and historic sites this summer.

Now in its second year, the State Parks Youth Corps will help youth learn valuable work skills, while allowing them to earn money by improving Missouri's state parks. Starting April 1, youth corps members will build trails, lead educational programs, excavate historic sites, perform maintenance and repair, design promotional materials and more.

"We're looking for hundreds of young people who are willing to work hard and make a difference this summer," Gov. Jay Nixon said. "Members of the State Parks Youth Corps have the chance to earn some real money, while making our parks more beautiful and enjoyable for all of us. I encourage Missouri youth to apply today at MO.gov."

The State Parks Youth Corps is a partnership between the **Missouri Division of Workforce Development**, the **Missouri Division of State Parks** and Missouri's local **Workforce Investment Boards**. The local boards help recruit and place individual youth in work positions at the parks. Parks staff members provide guidance and leadership to the youth workers throughout the summer.

Youth workers must be 17 to 21 years old, and will earn \$7.25 per hour. Applications and additional program information, including eligibility guidelines, are available at MO.gov. The program will accept applications on a rolling basis, so youth are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.

Register at <http://www.mo.gov/tourism-recreation/parks-recreation/state-parks-youth-corps-2011/>



4-H Million Trees

Plant one tree or plant many. Missouri 4-H members, families, clubs, special interest groups are encouraged to assist with the greening of the environment and to participate in the national 4-H Million Trees project. After 2 years, the record shows that 38 Missouri 4-Hers, families, clubs have planted 6542 trees. That's fantastic!

The Missouri Department of Conservation is offering free tree seedlings to 4-Hers participating in this project on a first come – first served basis and there are other sources available. (Check the link below.)

Spring is tree-planting time. Missouri Arbor Day on April 1, National Arbor Day on April 29 and National Earth Day on April 22 are three special days to celebrate by planting trees.

For more information, go to **Missouri 4-H Million Trees** at <http://4h.missouri.edu/programs/milliontrees> and then be sure to enroll/report on the national 4-H Million Tree website. Check out the map at <http://www.4hmilliontrees.org/participants.php> to see if your club has been counted.

Summers @ MIZZOU



Do you have an idea you want to turn into your own business? Do you want to move from a seat in the audience to the Director's Chair? Do you want to learn how to be fit? Do you like helping people? Do you like maps? Do you enjoy helping animals? Are you interested in plants? If any of these apply to you, Summers @ Mizzou is where you should be the week of July 24-28.

Summers @ Mizzou offers seven different camps: Director's Cut, Scrub-In to a Health Career, Build-a-Business, Dog Days of Summer, Fit for Action, Plants and You- on YouTube and GeoTech. These camps are offered as residential or day camps. Camps are available for a wide range of ages beginning with 12 year olds; check the registration information for the age range of each camp.

Early registration is due by May 6. For registration and available scholarships see <http://4h.missouri.edu/programs/summers> For those without internet access call your local Extension Office or Teresa Bishop at 573-884-0554 for a brochure.

4-H Club Members Participate in Carroll County Extension Annual Meeting



As in previous years, the 4-H Clubs of Carroll County were invited to participate in the Annual Meeting and Banquet hosted by the Carroll County University of Missouri Extension Council on Saturday, February 19, 2011 at the Carrollton Public Library. Several members provided completed 4-H projects to assist in creating a colorful display of photographs and handiwork for a visual representation of what students accomplished throughout the 4-H year.

In addition, Bethany Miller (a Chase 4-H member) demonstrated how to make "African Slush Punch." It was not only an interesting demonstration, but a tasty one as well as samples were provided to everyone in attendance. As the audience enjoyed their punch, they were treated to a beautiful vocal music selection, "Temporary Home," provided by Hannah Miller, a Chase 4-H Club member.

A big "thank you" to everyone who assisted with the annual meeting, your participation helped to make it a wonderful evening!!!



Bethany Miller demonstrating how to make "African Slush Punch"

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4-H Calendar 2011

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| March 6 | Chase 4-H Club Mtg. 5:00pm | Apr. 29 | Early Bird Camp Deadline |
| March 12 | Camp Counselor Training 9am-2pm, Marshall | May 6 | Camp Deadline |
| March 13 | Happy Hustlers Club Mtg. 4:30pm | May 7 | 4-H Day with the Cardinals |
| March 14 | Missouri 4-H Foundation Scholarship Deadline | May 21-27 | Equine Trip |
| March 16-19 | Kansas City Global Summit | June 1-3 | State 4-H Congress |
| March 20 | Bosworth Fireballs Club Mtg. 4:00pm | June 12 | State Poultry Day |
| March 21 | 4-H T-Shirt/ Hoodie orders due | June 13 | Camp Counselor Training @ Heit's Point |
| April 1-3 | Shooting Sports Certification | June 14-16 | Camp @ Heit's Point |
| April 2-3 | Teen Conference | June 25 - July 5 | Citizenship Washington Focus |
| April 16-17 | Hunting Skills Certification | July 10 | Achievement Day |
| April 20 | Youth Council meet @ 3:45pm | July 13-16 | Carroll County Fair |
| April 20 | 4-H Council @ 5:30pm | Aug. 11-21 | Missouri State Fair |


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