



Cedar County Clover

January 2009

4-H Volunteer Orientation

January 1, 2009 is coming upon us very quickly. As you know, that is the date that all 4-H Volunteer Leaders must have completed the *Making the Best Better Volunteer Orientation*.

The time has come to address the big question: What happens if a volunteer does not meet the requirement as of January 1, 2009? Any volunteer leader who fails to meet the requirement by January 1 will no longer be a Recognized Volunteer. Their application will be suspended until they complete the requirement. That means that they must not work with 4-H members until they complete the orientation. They will not be covered by the University of Missouri liability insurance or by the county accident insurance policy.

For a Project Leader it means that their kids cannot complete the project or be in good standing in the project because the project is not led by a Recognized Volunteer. This means that members in the project will not be able to exhibit in any fairs.

If the Club Leader has not completed the requirement, the club should be turned over to someone who has met the requirement until the orientation is complete. A club can only be led by a Recognized Volunteer. So until the requirement is met, the members are technically not in a 4-H Club.

There are several opportunities coming up for volunteers to complete the orientation:

- January 17- Making the Best Better in Mt. Vernon, MO. Registration due to Ext. Office by Jan. 9th.
- January 24- Bright and Bold in Neosho, MO. Registration due to Ext. Office by Jan. 16th.
- Online. Please contact your club leader or Sarah in the Ext. Office for online information.

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2009 Volunteers !!

Volunteers for the 2008-2009 4-H year are required to fill out a Volunteer Application Form. This application must be approved by the State 4-H Office prior to working as a 4-H volunteer. You will receive a postcard from the State 4-H Office letting you know that you have been approved. If you don't receive approval you can't begin your work. If you were approved as a volunteer last year from the State 4-H Office you are cleared as a volunteer until January 1, 2009. After that the same requirements for new volunteers apply. If you have any questions give us a call.

LOCAL NEWS

4-H Council Meeting

The next 4-H County Council Meeting will be held on January 19, 2009 at 6:30 pm in the Land O Lakes Fair Grounds metal building.

Shooting Sports Safety- Terry Costello

We currently have 20 youth signed up for Shooting Sports Safety (740). If you have had our Cedar County 4-H safety course in the past or you have completed the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) course, you do not need to take the safety course. If you have not had either course, you will not be able to attend a shooting sports project. There ARE NO EXCEPTIONS. In the case of the 740 course, you must also complete the entire 6 hour course satisfactorily. For the MDC course, you must have your Missouri Conservation Heritage Card. The 740 course does not count against the total number of projects you are eligible to enroll in. The safety (740) course will be held on Sunday, January 4th and January 11th from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM at the Stockton Expo Building (Fair Building) off RB road. At 2:00 PM you should be in your chair and ready to listen. Please be on time so we can finish on time and you don't inconvenience your fellow students and instructors. We have a lot of material to cover.

Air Rifle (742)- Terry Costello

We currently have 24 youth signed up for Air Rifle. In order to do that number safely and fit in our facility, we will have to have two classes. The most likely scenario is doing back to back courses the same afternoon. We currently have the Expo building scheduled for Sunday afternoons starting January 18th. As soon as the coordinator and instructors work out the details, you will be informed. If you have a new E mail address or different phone number, please advise the Extension Office. E mail will be the easiest ways to contact everyone so if you haven't provided it to us, please do so. If you aren't on the internet, don't worry; you will still be contacted. If you get an E-mail or phone message, please respond so we

know that you received the information. We have not received many health forms or waiver forms back from the clubs. If you haven't turned them in either to your club leader or to the Extension Office, please do so. If you turned them in to your club leader please check on their status. Your instructor has to have the forms when you start your project.

JUST A MINUTE CLUB NEWS

Buffalo Chargers-The December meeting of Buffalo Chargers was cancelled twice due to weather. We will be having games and snacks at our January meeting which is January 13 at 6:00 at the El Dorado Springs Christian School.

Stockton Seekers-The Stockton Seekers 4-H Club met on Tuesday, December 9th. T-shirts and sweatshirts were given out. Member/Leader Training was discussed with a session in Mt. Vernon on January 17th. Plans were made to go Christmas caroling at the Stockton Nursing Home. Our meeting ended with our gift exchange. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 13th. If Stockton Schools are canceled our meetings will be too.

Clayton Locke, Reporter

Pony Express- The Pony Express met on December 3. We discussed fundraisers. The next meeting will be January 7th at 6:00PM at Camp Galilee.

Hannah Robertson, Reporter

REGIONAL INFO

BRIGHT AND BOLD/ MAKING THE BEST BETTER

Making the Best Better will be held on January 17th in Mt. Vernon at the Middle School. Bright and Bold will be held on January 24th in Neosho at the Middle School.

Advanced registrations are due January 9th to the Extension Office, for Mt. Vernon program and Jan. 16 to Extension Office, for Neosho program, at \$6 per person and include lunch. Registration at the door is \$10.

To receive an application ask your Club Leader, contact the Extension Office, or check online at <http://extension.missouri.edu/cedar/forms.htm>

State News

OMK DAY AT THE CAPITOL

Joan Zeller

Don't miss an opportunity to tour the Capitol in Jefferson City and meet your legislators on President's Day, Monday, February 16 from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. The event is for youth ages 13-18. We will also be joining 4-H Legislative Academy participants at the end of our day at the capitol. The application form is available on the OMK web page at <http://4h.missouri.edu/go/programs/military/>.

YOUNG COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS INVITED TO APPLY FOR DO SOMETHING AWARDS

Steve Hennes

Deadline: March 1, 2009

The Do Something Awards, formerly the Brick Awards, are designed to provide recognition and funding for young community volunteers.

Do Something Award Winners receive a community grant, participation in a special award ceremony, media coverage, and continued support from Do Something.

In the 2009 program, five winners will receive a minimum of \$10,000 in community grants and scholarships. (Only winners 18 and under are eligible for a scholarship of \$5,000 and a \$5,000 community grant; winners between the ages of 19 and 25 will receive their entire award in the form of a community grant.) Of the five winners, one will be selected as the grand-prize winner and will receive a total of \$100,000 in community grants, paid directly to the nonprofit of his or her choice.

Do Something Award applications go through two stages. First, the Do Something Award Academy (comprised of former winners) reads through all the applications and selects the

finalists. Finalists are then flown to New York City for interviews with representatives from the Do Something Award Selection Committee. The five Do Something Award winners will be announced in the spring of 2009. The grand-prize winner will be announced in the summer of 2009.

Visit the Do Something Web site for complete program guidelines <http://www.dosomething.org/>.

4-H MOVE ACROSS MISSOURI - New physical activity program starting January 1, 2009!

Alison Copeland

4-H Move Across Missouri (MOVE) promotes physical activity! MOVE encourages youth to engage in physical activities they enjoy such as walking, biking, running, swimming, dance, taekwondo, gardening and more.

Using an online system, youth and their families can "log" the number of minutes they accumulate throughout the year and during the competitive component of the MOVE program. 4-Hers can enroll in the online MOVE program as individuals or as 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 - <http://4h.missouri.edu/programs/move/>

SUMMERS @ MIZZOU BUILD-A-BUSINESS CAMP – JULY 26-29, 2009

Steve Hennes & Adam Loft

Starting next summer, Summers @ Mizzou presents "Build-a-Business Camp" for young people ages 12-15 (grades 6-9) interested in exploring entrepreneurship!

The program will involve 3 days and 3 nights of hands-on activities on the University of Missouri Campus and in downtown Columbia, Mo.

Camp dates are July 26-29, 2009. Registration is estimated at \$280-330 per camper, with some partial scholarships available upon request. A day camp option will also be available at

reduced cost. See attached [Save the Date Flyer \(PDF\)](#).

For more information, contact Melissa Scheer, Summers @ Mizzou coordinator, at 573-882-6006 or scheerm@missouri.edu, or Adam Loftin at 573-884-7929 or acl7f4@mizzou.edu.

STATE FAIR ANIMAL OWNERSHIP DATES

Ben Gallup

The following is the most current list of the State Fair Ownership Dates for breeding and market livestock and companion animals.

Beef Cattle – Steers – 3/15

Beef Cattle – Breeding Animals – 6/1

Sheep – Breeding Animals – 7/1

Sheep – Market Lambs – 6/15

Swine – Breeding Gilts – 90 days

Swine – Breeding Boars – Since farrowing

Swine – Market Hogs – May 15

Dairy Cattle – All Dairy Cattle – 6/1

Dairy Goats – 6/1

Meat Goats – Breeding and Market – 6/15

Dogs – 4/1

Horses – 5/1

Rabbits – Breeding – 6/1

Rabbits – Meat Pen – 5 – 10 weeks prior to show

Poultry – Meat Pen – 8 – 10 weeks prior to show

SHOOTING SPORTS CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP

Gerry Snapp

Date: March 27-29, 2009

Location: Camp Jo-Ota, Clarence, Missouri

Registration and detailed information available in mid-January

2009 YOUTH CIVIC LEADERS SUMMIT REGISTRATION OPENS

Steve Hennes

Registration is now open for “Linkin’ to Healthy Leadership,” the 2009 Youth Civic Leaders Summit, March 6-8, 2009 at Windermere Conference Center near Camdenton.

The Summit is Missouri 4-H’s annual statewide weekend retreat for young people who are active or aspiring leaders and decision-makers in their communities, and their adult sponsors. Young people (ages 13-18) who are active with 4-H Councils, Youth EXCEL, Teen Leaders, County Youth Liaisons (CYLs), Extension Council youth representatives, and similar groups are encouraged to attend, as well as adult staff or volunteers who support them.

Registration is by team only and is coordinated by your county extension office. Teams can consist of as few as 2 people (1 youth and 1 adult), or up to 10 people (8 youth and 2 adults). Counties may register more than one team, subject to event space and capacity.

The Summit will feature workshops on a variety of topics including leadership, mentoring, civic engagement, and healthy lifestyles. Other highlights include outdoor challenge course and recreation time, team talent showcase, evening social time/games, and team action planning.

The Summit kicks off Friday, March 6, with registration at 5:00 p.m. and finishes on Sunday, March 8 at 12:00 noon. Registration is \$100.00 for youth and adults (plus \$14 outdoor challenge course or \$5 cave tour, if choosing these recreation options). 2009 Summit T-shirts may also be pre-ordered and paid for on-site for \$10. Some partial scholarships are available to assist youth from limited-income families in attending.

Please contact your local 4-H staff person for local team information and the county registration deadline. All team registrations must be finalized and to the State 4-H office by Jan. 15, 2009.

For more event information or to download registration forms, visit <http://www.4h.missouri.edu/events/summit/>.

MISSOURI STATE FAIR ANIMAL ENTRY DEADLINE

Ben Gallup

Entries **must be “received by” July 2, 2009** to be on time. This is a change from past years when entries had to be “post marked” by the due date. Please let your members interested in showing 4-H livestock/animals at the Missouri State Fair know about this change.



FRANK GRAHAM & NAOMI CROUCH VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP AWARDS

Missouri 4-H Foundation

The deadline for submitting applications for the Frank Graham and Naomi Crouch Volunteer Leadership Awards is February 1.

These highly coveted awards are an excellent way for you to honor some of your outstanding volunteers that have given so much to 4-H in your county. Details on the awards and application forms are on the 4-H Foundation website at <http://4h.missouri.edu/foundation/recognition/recognition.htm>.

CLOVER KIDS CORNER

Alison Copeland

Ice Fun

What You Need

- Variety of containers of ice
- Rock Salt

What You Do

Place the various sizes of ice in a large container. Ask the children if they've ever slipped on the ice. What types of things do people use to make it safer to walk on the ice? Let the children predict what will happen if they pour rock salt on top of the ice - based on their past experiences. Then, let them try it. What happens? Use the rock salt to make tunnels and different designs in the ice.

Ice Cube Painting

What You Need

- Water
- Ice Cube Tray
- Powder tempera paint Craft sticks

What You Do

Freeze water in the ice cube trays with craft sticks in them. Take out and sprinkle powder tempera paint on paper. Use the ice cubes to mix the colors and paint.

Source: Iowa State 4-H Clover Buds Program January 2007.

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/clover/materials.htm>

