Please turn in club reports by February 28!

Local Events/Projects:

January 30-31 - Ag Expo & Officer Training and Public Speaking Contest
February 1 - Youth Civic Leaders Summit Registration
February 11 - Youth Futures Meeting
February 12 - Regional Rep Applications Due
February 14 - 4-H Regional Energizer, Kelly Schools
March 6-8 - Youth Civic Leaders Summit, Windermere
March 20-22 - Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshop
March 28-29 - Teen Conference

April 1 – Scholarship Applications due to the State Office
May 30 – State Sports Fishing Event

Clowning

Do you like to communicate in an entertaining way? Clowning is part of a grand and noble tradition, dating back centuries! In clowning, you will learn how to apply clown make-up, create your own clown face, make a costume and perform as a clown. You will also learn about clown etiquette and some of history’s great performers who influenced modern day clowning. From props to pantomime, this project will teach you funny new techniques and help you find great ways to perform them.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHT: CLOWNING

SHOOTING SPORTS DATES

SS Leader Certification Workshop
*March 20-22 Camp MoVal Union, MO
*Hunting Skills Leader Workshop April 17-19 Windermere Roach, MO
*State Trap Shoot August 22
MTA Fields Linn Creek, MO
*State Archery -NFAA 300
August 22-23 Prairie Grove
Columbia, MO
*SS Leader Certification
Workshop August 28-30
Life Change Camp in Clinton
*State Shoot – all other events
September 19-20 Prairie
Grove in Columbia, MO

4-H MOVE ACROSS MISSOURI
If you have not yet enrolled there
is still time! This is a project you
can do in your own time and you
are probably already doing it!
4-H can participate in teams or
individually. Youth and adults fill
out the MOVE log each month
and turn it in to your local
Extension office. All participants
usually win a prize! Bonus: the
office has 10% cards for
Dunham’s for anyone who
enrolls in the project!

MISSOURI AGRIBUSINESS ACADEMY (MAbA)
MAbA is an opportunity for high
school sophomores to explore
career opportunities in
agribusiness, government, and
production agriculture.
Information and applications
can be found at:
http://agriculture.mo.gov/conne
t/youth/agribusacademy.php.
Applications are due February
1st.

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE APPLICATIONS
Applications for Regional
Representative are available at
http://4h.missouri.edu/go/getinv
olved/council/. There are four
representatives for the
Southeast region elected at
State Congress in June.
Representatives serve a one
year term. You must be 14 and
older to apply. Applications are
due to the extension office on
February 12th.

SCHOLARSHIPS
The Missouri 4-H Foundation
offers educational scholarships
for 4-H youth and former 4-H
members pursuing
post-secondary study. Sixty
scholarships are available,
each ranging from $500 to
$2,500. One scholarship
application permits the
applicant to be considered for
any available scholarship,
subject to conditions specified
by the donor. Applications are
due to the extension office on
March 18.
Applications are at
http://4h.missouri.edu/recognition/scholarships/#forms.
Applications for Missouri State
Fair Youth in Agriculture Schol-
arships are now available
online at
www.mostatefair.com/youth-in-
agriculture for Missouri high
school seniors graduating in
2015. Applications should be
submitted to the Missouri State
Fair and must be postmarked
by February 2, 2015. There is
one $2,500 supreme scholarship and thirty-six $1,000 scholarships. To be eligible, scholarship applicants must plan to enroll in an accredited Missouri college or university, with the ambition to acquire a degree in agriculture. Applicants must also be high school seniors and active members of 4-H or FFA. While the applicants must have participated at least once as a 4-H or FFA exhibitor at the Missouri State Fair, applicants cannot have sold livestock in any past Missouri State Fair Sale of Champions Auction. Agriculture Future of America is encouraging graduating high school seniors and current college students to apply for the AFA Leader and Academic Scholarship Program. The scholarship has two components, a $1,000 sponsorship to AFA’s Leaders Conference, and an academic, financial support award following attendance of the conference. The program is offering more than 60 scholarships for 2015, is open to students pursuing four year degrees in agriculture-related fields.

2015 DISNEY FRIENDS FOR CHANGE GRANTS

Disney Friends for Change Grants offer young changemakers $500 to gather their friends and turn their creative ideas to help their communities into projects taking place on or around Global Youth Service Day - April 17-19, 2015. Whether protecting the planet, providing food to hungry people, helping other kids learn, or promoting healthy behaviors, Friends for Change help make their communities greener, safer, smarter, healthier, cleaner, and fairer. Youth ages 5-18 located in all 50 states and DC are eligible. Apply by February 18, 2015 to turn your idea from a dream into reality! For more information visit http://www.ysa.org/disney_friends_for_change_us_grants

“Challenges are what make life interesting and overcoming them is what makes life meaningful.”
Joshua J. Marine

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**Clover Kids Corner**

**Woodsy Vase**

**Supplies**
- Sticks (about 1/4 inch in diameter)
- Clippers
- Glue
- Empty plastic jar
- Thick rubber bands
- Raffia or ribbon (optional)

**Directions**
Break or cut sticks to about an inch longer than the jar. Put two rubber bands around the jar, one inch from the top and one inch from the bottom. Tuck sticks under both rubber bands placing them as close together as possible.
Once the jar is surrounded with sticks, slide the rubber bands together in the middle of the jar and cover the banks with a bow.