Deadlines/Upcoming Events

February 1- Youth Civic Leaders Summit Registration; 4-H Conference on Global Careers

February 14 – 4-H Regional Energizer, Kelly Schools

March 6-8 – Youth Civic Leaders Summit, Windermere

March 28-29- Teen Conference

APRIL 1 – Scholarship Applications Due to the State office

May 30 – State Sports fishing Event

Please turn in club reports by January 30th!

PROJECT HIGHLIGHT: THEATRE ARTS

Learn about the fascinating world of make-believe. Create sound effects, make puppets and perform a skit. Try your hand at improvisations, create disguises and design costumes. Sound interesting? Then cast yourself into Theatre Arts! For more information visit http://4h.missouri.edu/projects/projects4.htm#theatre

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!

ORSCHELN’S DISCOUNT
Recently 4-H received notice
that the 10% at Orscheln’s was discontinued. Orscheln’s wants to communicate with their stores on the status and will let us know when the 10% discount is reinstated.

**4-H CLUB MEETINGS**

This is a reminder that at your club meetings officers should do the parliamentary procedures. For more information on club agendas and meetings please visit: [http://mo4h.missouri.edu/resources/materials/docs/Y784.pdf](http://mo4h.missouri.edu/resources/materials/docs/Y784.pdf) & [http://4h.missouri.edu/resources/materials/docs/Y619FILL.pdf](http://4h.missouri.edu/resources/materials/docs/Y619FILL.pdf).

**4-H OFFICER TRAINING**

Calling ALL officers! To do the best at your job 4-H is currently offering a 4-H club officer training during Ag Expo in January. Please come to the 4-H officer training Saturday, January 31 at 9:30 am at the Black River Coliseum in Poplar Bluff. We hope to see you all there!

Don't Miss the Deadline!

This is just a reminder that ALL deadlines need to be adhered to. Our office has been working around the clock on making sure paperwork is turned the state office on time but we have received several late papers that have been accepted in the past. I am sorry to state that from now on any late paperwork, etc. will not be accepted after the deadline posted. Our office apologizes for any inconvenience.

**HELP US BUILD THE NATIONAL 4-H HISTORY MAP**

Your contribution is needed today to help us build the National 4-H Map. Give us your county’s notable historical tidbits, photos, factoids and features. It is preferred that there be a tie to 4-H. Please visit the website at [http://goo.gl/vGF9nt](http://goo.gl/vGF9nt) to input your county’s information. Any questions contact Bob McNary at mcnaryrl@missouri.edu

**4-H FARM SAFETY AND HEALTH VIDEO CONTEST**

The Central State Center for Agricultural Safety and Health (CS-CASH) is hosting a 4H Farm Safety and Health Video Contest. This contest presents an opportunity for 4-H students to:

- learn about agricultural safety and health issues,
- create an educational video that will provide outreach and become an enduring educational resource to their community,
- receive personal protective equipment and educational materials and
- win prize money for their 4H Chapter.

Have your 4H Club:

- Create a 60 second video on Safe Livestock Handling Practices (cattle, horses, sheep, goats, hogs, chickens…….)
Send in the video file by Friday January 16, 2015

After the videos are posted online the students can invite their friends, family and community to view their video.

The 3 videos with the most views by April 17 will receive cash prizes. All participating students receive a bag full of personal protective equipment. Please email Ellen ellen.duysen@unmc.edu or call (402-552-3394) with questions.

"Just know, when you truly want success, you’ll never give up on it. No matter how bad the situation may get.” - unknown

Stephanie Milner, 4-H Youth Specialist

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**Clover Kids Corner**

**Invisible Secret Messages**

**Ingredients (per child)**

- 1 small cup
- 2 tablespoons of lemon juice
- small brush or cotton swab
- sheet of white paper
- 1 wide dish or small cake pan
- 10 drops of iodine
- paper towels
- rubber gloves (optional)

**To Write the Secret Message**

Pour the lemon juice in the cup. Ask each child to dip the brush or swab into the lemon juice and write a message or draw a picture on the paper. Let the paper dry completely (15 minutes). Ask them if they can see the writing.

**To Reveal the Secret Message**

Fill dish or pan with 1/2 inch of water and mix in iodine. Place the paper in the mixture and completely submerge it. After a few minutes, remove the paper and let it dry on the paper towels. Ask the children what the paper and writing looks like now.