



# The Bootheel 4-H Bulletin

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## 4-H Clubs

### South Dunklin County 4-H

Meeting times vary in Cardwell. Contact Sherry McClelland for times and location.

### 4-H Youth in Action

Meets on the second and fourth Fridays in New Madrid.

### Risco 4-H

Meets last Monday of every month at 5:30 pm at Risco Middle School.

## Deadlines & Events

**April 10-** 4-H Day with the Cardinals

**April 15-** 4-H Congress Registration Due

**April 23-29-** National Volunteer Week

**April 30-** MOVE Contest Ends

**May 1-** Horse Enrollments Due

**May 5-** Early Registration for Summers @ Mizzou

**May 31-June 2-** State 4-H Congress



## April Birthdays!

Molly Jackson 6<sup>th</sup> Dale McClelland 29<sup>th</sup>

## 4-H True Leaders in Service-

This April, 4-H is launching a first annual True Leaders in Service campaign in honor of National Volunteer Appreciation Month and will officially kick-off the first day of April and culminate with the National 4-H Day of Service on Saturday, April 29. Any 4-H group can join the campaign with an existing/ongoing service-learning project or a one-day event. Service projects can address any topic – hunger/food security, environmental/beautification, family support, an educational program or event, or a 4-H promotion. Events can be registered in advance on the 4-H True Leaders in Service website at <http://4-h.org/true-leaders-in-service>. Additional resources, such as planning guide, sample email, and social media messages are available on the 4-H True Leaders in Service website. Missouri 4-H encourages local clubs and councils to celebrate and highlight connections between 4-H members and their community this April through service!

Opportunity Link: <http://4-h.org/true-leaders-in-service/#!overview>

## **Volunteer Enrollment-**

Volunteers will need to complete a one-page paper volunteer form and are required to register through 4-H Online. New volunteers will need to complete the one-time volunteer orientation. Please get this done as soon as possible!

## **Enrolling in 4HOnline-**

There are still youth that have been enrolled in 4HOnline and have not yet paid their dues. Please ask youth to turn this in by April 30. If you have youth that still need to enroll please ask them to do so.

## **Project Enrollment-**

If you have changed your mind about the projects you have enrolled in, you can log back into 4-H Online (<http://missouri.4honline.com>) to add or drop projects until *April 1*. After this time, any projects changes will have to be through the Extension Office. The Clover book is available online at <http://4h.missouri.edu/clover.aspx>. This is where you can view the projects and get information about 4-H.

## **Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover-**

The spring campaign will be *April 26-May 7*. Please let the Stephanie Milner know if you club plans to participate. When there is at least one 4-H person in the store, the number of clovers sold increases. If you can only be there an hour during a day or evening, it makes an impact.

## **2017 Fall Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshop-**

The 2017 Fall Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshop is taking place October 6th -8th, 2017 at Pinecrest Camp in Fredericktown MO. Registration duration for this event is to be determined.

## **State Fair Updates-**

- State Fair DNA Card information for 4-Hers exhibiting barrows:
  - o Please see attached instructions and DNA Validation Card. DNA Card must be mailed to the Missouri State Fair, postmarked by May 15, 2017. Must be received by the Fair ten days following.
- Lamb and Meat Goat nose prints are due postmarked on or before June 15. Must be received by the Fair ten days following.
- The livestock entry deadline is June 30, 2017 (July 1 is a Saturday this year).

## **Midwest Invitational Meat Judging Contest-**

Sunday, April 9 at K-State Meat Lab; Weber Hall in Manhattan, Kansas  
Teams can consist of up to four students but alternates are eligible for individual awards. There is no limit to the number of teams a 4-H club or FFA chapter may enter.

## **Notice Date and Location Change!**

### **4-H Camp July 20-22 (Save the Date!)**

Camp will be at Eagle Sky in Piedmont along with 4-H members from the SE region. This is a great way to have fun and make new friends! Watch for camp registration forms coming soon.

## **Last Reminder! State 4-H Congress-**

For youth ages 14-18. The theme this year is "Waves of Leadership". The dates are May 31 – June 2 at the University of Missouri campus. Registration for youth will open on March 1 through 4-H Online. **Deadline to register is April 15.**

## **4-H MOVE-**

4-H Move Across Missouri (MOVE) participants – don't forget to be tracking your activities! The competition period will be from *February 1 to April 30*. For more information or for the paper tracking forms, visit - <http://4h.missouri.edu/4hmove/main>

## **Last Reminder! 4-H Day with the St. Louis Cardinals-**

Saturday, May 20, 2017 the Cardinals will be playing the San Francisco Giants in a 6:15 p.m. game. Tickets for the game will be \$25.00 each and includes a specially designed t-shirt featuring the 4-H Clover on the back and the Cardinals emblem on the front.

Tickets for the event must be ordered on the 4-H Day with the Cardinals order form. Ticket orders must be postmarked by **April 10, 2017**. 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.

## **Sportfishing State Event-**

Saturday, June 3rd , 2017. The event is open to all 4-H members enrolled in the sportfishing project (if a member is not enrolled in the project they will not see the event in 4HOnline when it opens). Event registration for youth will take place in 4HOnline and will open April 1 and close May 15. This event is generously supported by Missouri Department of Conservation and Bass Pro Shops. Cost of the event is \$20 per member (additional cost for family members who want us to provide lunch rather than bring it). More information about the 4-H sportfishing project can be found at:

<http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/sportfishing/>

## **Scholarships-**

The SEMO Fair Scholarship is available at [www.semofair.com](http://www.semofair.com) at the bottom of the webpage. Applications are due May 30,

2017. You must have exhibited at the SEMO fair to apply.

## **Opportunities Offered Outside 4-H-**

Life Sciences Quest is a free, five-day program for high-ability high school students. Students will get hands-on lab experience, hear from experts in agriculture and biotechnology, and travel to St. Louis for industry tours. This program will introduce students to an interdisciplinary and collaborative approach to scientific discovery and highlight the unique opportunities of Missouri's agriculture industry.

To be eligible, students must be a Missouri resident who is graduating high school in 2018, 2019 or 2020.

For more information and access to the online application, direct interested students to [cafnr.missouri.edu/summer-academies/life-sciences-quest](http://cafnr.missouri.edu/summer-academies/life-sciences-quest).

*Applications are due April 1, 2017*

## **What You Need to Know: Veterinary Feed Directive-**

As of Jan. 1, 2017, medically important antimicrobials in medicated feed have become veterinary feed directive (VFD) drugs, and the resulting VFD feed must be authorized by a licensed veterinarian and distributed and used in compliance with the VFD regulation. Also, animal producers will no longer be able to use these VFD feeds for growth promotion or feed efficiency.

Learn more about what this means to you by visiting the VFD information page at [Agriculture.Mo.Gov](http://Agriculture.Mo.Gov) .

***Make sure if you have a 4-H Facebook account you let our office know and make staff an administrator on the page.***

## SEMO Fair Market Hog Show Changes-

The 4-H and FFA market hog show at the 2017 SEMO District Fair will be limited to **BARROWS** only. Gilts can be shown in the breeding stock show. This is a change from the past three years. Please keep this in mind as you are selecting your animals for the fair.

Nomination forms will be available in mid-April. All market barrows must be nominated in order to show and sell in the livestock sale by July 15, 2017. SEMO District Fair entries will be due August 8, 2017. Nominations do not qualify as a fair entry.

## 4-H Monarch Habitat Project-

The Missouri Department of Conservation, Missouri 4-H, and *Grow Native!* Retailers are partnering on providing mini grants to participants of the 4-H Monarch Habitat Project. This cooperative effort promotes native plantings that help restore monarch habitat by providing \$50.00 vouchers to 4-H groups willing to plant at least 100 square feet of habitat.

The grants are being funded by the Missouri Conservation Heritage Foundation. The \$50.00 vouchers are good at *Grow Native!* plant retailers to cover up to half the cost of the plants for monarch habitat planting in highly visible locations such as city parks, county courthouses, and school grounds. Get details, voucher applications, and educational resources at

<http://4h.missouri.edu/monarchs>

*"Don't worry about failures, worry about the chances you miss when you don't even try."-Jack Canfield*

 **4-H GROWS HERE**

**Thank you volunteers for everything you do!**

## Spring Chicks Egg Cartons-



### Supplies:

- egg carton
- acrylic paint & brush
- glue, scissors, marker
- construction paper

### Instructions:

1. Cut apart two egg holders from the carton and trim off the excess on the edges
2. Glue the two pieces together
3. Paint
4. Add a beak and some eyes

Source <http://typicallysimple.com/spring-chicks-egg-carton-craft/>

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