NEW 4-H YEAR STARTS IN OCTOBER

What does this mean? If you are currently a 4-H member and you would like to stay in the 4-H program re-enrollment starts in October. Please make sure to register through 4HOnline at https://mo.4honline.com/

FORMS DUE TO OFFICE SEPTEMBER 1

It’s that time again! For clubs that met during the 2014-2015 year forms are due to the Extension office. The following items are due: secretary & treasurers books, community service forms, key award and project record forms. If you have questions please call the office at 686-8064.

DELTA FAIR SEPTEMBER 29-OCTOBER 3

The Delta Fair in Kennett will be taking entries on Monday, September 28 from 2:00-5:00 pm. Entries must be picked up Sunday, October 4 from 1:00-2:00 pm. For more information visit http://deltafairfun.com/fair/.

DEADLINES

August 31 – State 4-H Fashion Revue Registration due
September 1 – 4-H Council Meeting, Extension office 5pm
September 12 – State Livestock Judging Contest, Columbia
September 14 – Public Speaking Forms Due to Extension office
September 15 – State Shoot Team Tryouts
September 12-19 – SEMO District Fair, Cape Girardeau
September 16-19 – Butler County Fair
September 19-20 – State Shooting Sports Contest
September 29-October 3 – Delta Fair in Kennett
September 30 – CYL applications due office
STATE SHOOT NEWS
State Shoot event schedules will not be mailed to families. Members, parents and leaders will need to check the 4-H Shooting Sports website routinely, as the schedule of event and other pertinent information will be posted on the website when available: http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports/contests.htm

GRAIN ENGULFMENT RESCUE TRAILER
The Grain Engulfment Rescue Trailer is scheduled to be in the Southeast Region September 15-17. It will be set up at the SEMO District Fair in Cape Girardeau. The SEMO Homeland Security Response Team (Cape Girardeau Fire Department/Sikeston DPS/ Jackson Fire) will be conducting training with the trailer on the 16th. The public is welcome to observe the training, but the proximity of the spectators will be determined by those conducting the training.

“You must be the change you want to see in the world.” – M.K. Gandhi

SEMO FAIR – SEPTEMBER 12-19
Clover Kid Entries
Remember that Clover Kids cannot enter or show animals at SEMO Fair. Clover Kids may enter 3 project exhibits in the Clover Kids Classes and will be given green participation ribbons.

The 4-H section of the SEMO Fair book is pages 39-49. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY- Regulations change yearly to keep up-to-date with project literature.

Fair Tags for SEMO Fair- will be available from the Extension Office.

Attached is a “SEMO District Fair 4-H Exhibit Slip – 4-H Exhibit Hall”. USE ONLY ONE FORM PER MEMBER and LIST ALL ENTRIES ON THIS FORM to be HANDED IN WITH ENTRIES on Friday, September 11th (5pm – 7pm) or Saturday, September 12th (8am – Noon). This form is important for keeping track of entries. If you need more forms, please make more on your own.

For more information on other entries or regarding SEMO fair please visit http://www.semofair.com/
**BUTLER COUNTY FAIR**

The Butler County Fair is coming in September! Even if you live in another County you can submit entries to the Butler County Fair! Please keep all items you would like to enter and bring them on September 16 & 17 to the Black River Coliseum. Entries will be taken September 16 from 3-8 pm & September 17 from 7am-10am. There are also new activities coming to the fair! Public Speaking will be Thursday, September 17 at 5pm. Cash prizes will be awarded! There will be games, bouncy houses, and a dog show. For more information please see the fair flyer or call 686-8064.

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**4-H MEMBERS AGES 14 AND OLDER...ARE YOU UP FOR A CHALLENGE?**

**DETAILS** – Global Challenge uses problem-solving /communication activities to help participants learn teambuilding skills that can be drawn upon and used to assist them in the overnight global village experience. By participating in daily life activities such as preparing meals and doing chores, similar to those that Heifer’s Project Partners perform each day, we hope you will be inspired to take action in your own life that will positively impact the environment and the world around you.

**WHEN** – Summer of 2016, Dates TBA

**WHERE** – Heifer Ranch International near Perryville, Arkansas

**COST** - $130 per person

**GLOBAL VILLAGE** – The villages are representatives of Guatemala, Thailand, Zambia, China, Appalachia, Urban slums and a Refugee camp

If are interested please email, Marsha Birk, at birkmg@missouri.edu by September 30th.
Crazy Crocodiles

**Supplies:**
- Sheet of bubble wrap, approximately 12” x 24”
- Scotch tape
- Aluminum floral wire
- Cardboard
- Red construction paper
- Scissors
- Acrylic paint and foam brushes
- Cotton balls
- 1-inch Styrofoam or wood balls
- Black paint pen
- Craft glue
- Foam adhesive dots

**Directions:**
1. Roll your sheet of bubble wrap into a tube and secure sides with tape. Tuck your piece of floral wire down through one end.
2. Making sure the wire is tucked well within the bubble wrap, bend wired end up to form a tail.
3. Paint the crocodile body with acrylic paint. If desired, create spots of a different paint color using a cotton ball. Allow paint to dry completely.
4. Cut out 4 cardboard feet, and paint with acrylic paint. Allow to dry completely.
5. From red construction paper, cut out a frill. Fold over the bottom edge. Adhere the frill to the back of the body with craft glue.
6. Paint 2 Styrofoam balls with white acrylic paint and allow to dry. With the black paint pen, draw 2 circles at the center of each ball to create the crocodiles eyes. Adhere eyes to the body with foam dots.

BUTLER COUNTY FAIR 4-H/FFA PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

Thursday, September 17 – 5:00 pm-6:00 pm

Location: Black River Coliseum in Poplar Bluff

Registration due Monday, September 14, 2015

Return the following form to:

University of Missouri Extension Butler County

222 N Broadway

Poplar Bluff, MO 63901

573-686-8064 Fax: 573-778-8021

4-H/FFA CONTEST REGISTRATION

Junior Division: ages 8 – 13  Senior Division: ages 14 – 18 (must be in high school)

Please check the category of speech to be given:

___ Prepared Speech  ___ Extemporaneous Speech

Speeches may be on any appropriate topic. Please refer to 4-H/FFA Contest Judging scorecard available on request from the Extension Center.

The top 4-H/FFA contestants from the prepared speech category will be eligible to participate in the MAFF Contest in January. (Please refer to MAFF rules)

Contestant Name__________________________________________________________

Age as of Jan 1, 2015: __________ Telephone # ______________________________

Address______________________________________ City______________________________ Zip __________

E-mail address:____________________________________________________________________

Division (circle one):  Jr. Division  Sr. Division

Speech / Presentation Title: ___________________________________________________________________

Speech / Presentation Topic (Briefly describe and/or attach script & references for prepared speech):________________________________________________________

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The Public Speaking Contest is a competitive event for youth enrolled in 4-H or FFA. Participants selected as winners of 4-H are eligible to participate in the State 4-H Public Speaking Contest in October 2015, at the University of Missouri–Columbia campus.

1. Entry is free and open to all 4-H and FFA members.

2. If there are no pre-registrations by September 14, 2015, at 4:00 pm at the University of Missouri Butler County Extension Office there will be no Public Speaking Contest.

3. Contest will be held at the Black River Coliseum, 301 S 5th St, Poplar Bluff, MO.

4. There will be 2 age divisions:
   a. Senior Level is for youth ages 14 to 18 (must be in high school)
   b. Junior Level is for youth ages 8–13
   c. Note: This is “4-H Age”. 4-H Age is your age as of January 1 of the current calendar year.

5. Participants may enter in one public speaking category.

   All Speeches must be:
   3–5 minutes long for Junior Level
   6–8 minutes for Senior Level

6. Category Descriptions
Extemporaneous:

Speakers will draw three topics, pick one and be allowed 15 minutes to prepare.
Note cards are allowed.
Topics will be subjects that youth are familiar with, so no special research materials are required.
Ribbons awarded for this category in age divisions.
Cash prizes awarded for this category in overall age categories: 1st place $25, 2nd place $15, 3rd place $10.

Prepared Speech:

Speeches may be on any topic of the participant’s choice, original work, and written by the participant. (Unless you plan to participate in the MAFF State Contest—see attached rules).
Note cards are allowed
No props or visual aids may be used.
Participant must bring two (2) copies of their script, referencing source(s).
Ribbons awarded for this category in age divisions
Cash prizes awarded for this category in overall age categories: 1st place $50, 2nd place $30, 3rd place $20.

7. All 4-H/FFA members must be a “member in good standing” with their club/chapter to receive premiums.

8. The top winner in the senior division (overall) 4H and FFA will have the opportunity to represent the Butler County Fair at the Missouri Association of Fairs & Festivals (MAFF) in Columbia in January. The topic must be related to fairs and agriculture and the participant will be responsible for their room and transportation.

9. All decisions of the judges are final.

“EOE/ADA Institution”
Semo District Fair 4-H Exhibit Slip
4-H Exhibit Hall

Name ____________________________________________
Club ____________________________________________
County __________________________________________
Date of Birth ____________________________________
Are you a Clover Kid? Please Circle Yes or No

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You may only exhibit 3 Items per Project.
OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM
2015 BUTLER COUNTY FAIR

Please refer to the Official Rules and Regulations for each Department and present a completed Entry Form with your entries at the dates and times listed below: This form and entry tags may be picked up at the University of MO Extension Center, 222 N. Broadway, Poplar Bluff. 688-8064

DEPARTMENTS
#1 HOME ECONOMICS
#2 FIELD & FORAGE CROPS
#3 FRUITS & VEGETABLES
#4 FLORICULTURE
#5 YOUTH

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All entries must be received at the Home Economics/Horticulture/Crops Exhibit*
- Wednesday, September 16, 3:00 - 8:00 P.M.
- Thursday, September 17, 7:00 - 10:00 A.M.

* Exhibit Area located in the lobby of the Black River Coliseum

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Please fill out in its entirety to ensure proper entry. (This form may be photocopied if needed.)

PLEASE PRINT

Exhibitor Name ____________________________
Address ____________________________ City ____________________________ Zip Code __________

Area Code Plus Phone Number ____________________________
Email ____________________________