

# The 4-H Link

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## Officer Training

If you haven't already marked your calendar... DO IT NOW! Officer Training will be held on Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm in the Courthouse Meeting Room. President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Historian, Reporter, and Song and Game Leaders are all encouraged to attend!

## Volunteer Orientation

All Missouri 4-H Volunteers are required to take a one time Volunteer Orientation class. If you have not done this yet, mark your calendar for Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. The course will be held at 6:30pm in the Henry County Courthouse and will be the only in-person training in Henry County.

Other options for completing this requirement include a class during the Regional Energizer in Blue Springs on January 30<sup>th</sup> or online. To take the course online go to: <http://blackboard.missouri.edu>. Select Login and for the user name use: \_kids and the password is: volunteer. Select "Yes" any time the security information box appears to ask if you want to display non-secure items. Select the link located on the left side of the screen "Online 4-H Volunteer Orientation." A welcome screen appears and will guide you through the course.

## Continue Moving Across Missouri

Get ready to continue 4-H Move Across Missouri (MOVE)! MOVE promotes physical activity and encourages youths to engage in a broad range of activities such as walking, biking, running, swimming, dance, taekwondo, gardening and more.

Enrollment for new and re-enrollment for current MOVERs begins January 1. Please note that if you are currently enrolled in MOVE you must re-enroll on January 1 or after in order to be a part of the 2010 program. If you do not re-enroll on January 1 or after your efforts will not be counted in 2010.

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 from February 1 – May 31. 4-Hers can enroll in the online MOVE program as individuals and/or as part of a team. An individual MOVER may also be a part of a team. A team can consist of a family or members of a 4-H club or group. MAM awards will be provided. Stay tuned! For more details visit <http://www.4h.missouri.edu/programs/move/>

## Regional Energizer Date Set

Mark your calendars now and plan to attend the 2010 Regional Energizer. The event will be held on January 30<sup>th</sup> in Blue Springs. This is a great opportunity to gain new resources and meet leaders and members from 11 different counties. Hope to see you there!

***Because of the Holidays the deadline to contribute to the next LINK will be November 16!***

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Henry County

# General News

## Hide a Prize in the Link

Congratulations to Donna Engeman for being the winner of the October Hide a Prize Contest. Please remember we have started a new contest and there has been a slight change in rules! EVERYONE place of the put into a  who calls in with the hidden object will be drawing. Five names will be drawn at random for scoring! GOOD LUCK TO ALL!! Call in this month with the page number and article with the turkey hidden in it!!

## Henry County 4-H T-Shirts

If you ordered a Henry County 4-H T-Shirt or Hoodie and have not picked it up, please do so! If you didn't get in on the first order and would like to place one contact the Extension Office ASAP!



T-Shirts are \$10, Hoodies are \$20. There is an extra charge for XXL and XXXL...these will make great gifts for your favorite 4-H'er this holiday season!

## New Family Dinner

Are you new to Henry County 4-H? Would you like a chance to learn more about our organization and meet others from around the county? Then mark your calendar for December 3<sup>rd</sup> for the New Family Dinner. Dinner will be served at 6:30pm in the Friends Room at the library with a program to follow. *All Community Leaders and their families are invited as well!* **Please RSVP to Christy by November 24<sup>th</sup>!**

## Henry County Bowling Party

Thanks to everyone who got up early on a Saturday morning to go bowling with us! It was a great time for all! Here are just a couple of photos from that morning!



# Leader News

## PROJECT LEADER TIPS

### What do I need to get started?

- ✓ Names, addresses and phone numbers of 4-H members enrolled in the project group  
The club leader or project advisor in your club can provide you with the information about the members enrolled in your project group.
- ✓ Project literature/curriculum  
The project literature/curriculum provides great direction and tools for project leaders and members. There are many ideas for activities and items to exhibit at the fair. Beyond the basics, the project curriculum also gives leaders areas to connect the project skill to life skills that will be very important for youth throughout their life.
- ✓ 4-H Clover, Y603  
The *4-H Clover* will provide you general information about 4-H and the project you are leading.
- ✓ 4-H Project Record, Y620  
Finally the *4-H Project Record* will enable you to help members determine their personal goals for the project and may be used in your club and county 4-H program as a record of the member's completion of the project.

### Other tools and tips

- Watch our newsletter for additional information for 4-H leaders and members on awards and opportunities available, deadlines, etc. Missouri 4-H encourages each project leader to have 6 hours of teaching/contact time with members.
- Check with your club leader, project advisor or your local MU Extension center about completion requirements for your club and county. Also, ask what is eligible to be exhibited at the fair. Ask about community service opportunities in the project area.
- The Missouri 4-H website has many valuable tools on the project page!

We appreciate your dedication and commitment to the 4-H program.

## Enrollment Forms

If you haven't gotten your enrollment forms turned in yet please do so ASAP so we can ensure all correspondence is received in a timely manner! Thanks for your hard work in getting all this done! **This is the last newsletter that will be sent using last year's enrollments.**



## Project News

### Many Projects to be Offered County Wide

Once again there will be many projects offered county wide. Below you will find a list of these projects.

- ✿ Aerospace *(There may be a fee for materials)*
- ✿ Clowning
- ✿ Crocheting
- ✿ Dogs
- ✿ Livestock Judging #117
- ✿ Photography 1, 2, & 3
- ✿ Rabbits
- ✿ Robotics
- ✿ Shooting Sports
- ✿ Small Pet *(Would have to sign up as Self-Determined)*



We are always looking for people to lead other projects! If you know someone who may be interested please let Christy know.

### Hams

It's almost time to start the Country Cured Hams project! If you're signed up for this project please mark your calendar for Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. This meeting is *tentatively* scheduled to be at the Clinton Technical School and will be used to order our hams! More information will be available soon.

### Dogs

#### A Note from Lin

The Henry County Dog Care Project will meet November 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm on the Henry County Fairgrounds. We will also meet December 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. We hope to have the Canine Good Citizen Test on December 1<sup>st</sup>, and to visit a nursing home on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Do you know of a warmer location in which we can take the test?

We really appreciate everyone's attendance at these meetings because it takes a lot of time to learn to work with your dog. Missing too many meetings makes it difficult to catch up. We also really appreciate all the parent's support in this project, it would be difficult to have the project without all your help.

For more information, please call Lin Kozlowski at 417-644-7425.

### Robotics

The Robotics Project will kick off Thursday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in the basement meeting room of the courthouse. The meeting will last approximately one hour.



## Club Reports

The **Montrose Busy Beavers** met on Monday, Oct. 5 for their regular monthly meeting. Old Business included speaking about National 4-H Week and the banquet. Members were reminded to turn in their project forms and pay their \$11 dues. New Business included installation of new officers. A motion to buy a new 4-H and American Flag set was made and seconded. Alex Engeman is working on setting up a program for next month with the county health office and Alyssa Engeman suggested we continue collecting magazines for our military overseas. Tasha Lesmeister asked that we walk in the Henry County Heart Walk on Sat., Oct. 17 for a club community service project. The club also voted to contribute \$25 to Tasha's Skills USA team to go towards the Heart Walk. The club voted to provide the food shack at the Germantown Turkey Shoot in Dec. and to serve the McGinness Dinner for fundraising. Discussion was held on having a Christmas party at our December meeting and inviting guests. This was tabled to allow time for further planning. We adjourned to refreshments and games. Our next meeting is Monday, Nov. 2 at 6:00 in the St. Mary's School basement.

The **Clinton Cougars** brought home some awards at the 4-H Recognition Banquet. Colton Ordal received 1<sup>st</sup> place for the 10 year old MRF which is a full paid camp scholarship. Colton has the opportunity to send his MRF onto regional review in December. Officer Awards went to Julie Hull for treasurer and Emma Kiely for secretary. Our club won a gold seal and 4<sup>th</sup> place for the window display. Rebekah Komer and Colton Ordal were recognized for presenting their demonstrations at the Missouri State Fair. 4-H volunteer service pins were given to: 5 years-Cathy Sullivan; 10 year-Sheryl Hull and Tim Komer. Sarah Fellhauer presented a Power Point Presentation at the State Public Speaking Contest. The Henry County Shooting Sports Contest was held July 11<sup>th</sup>. The State Shoot was held on September 19<sup>th</sup>. Cougars members receiving shooting sports awards were as follows: Ben Bellamy, Graham Bellamy, Sarah Fellhauer, Morgan Webb, and Colton Ordal.

The **Clinton Rockets** met on October 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 in the Friends Room of the library. The meeting was called to order by Brett Fickle and Aaron Fickle acted as secretary. New members were welcomed. Brendan Hendricks came in shortly and took over the meeting. The meeting had 20 members, guest and leaders present. The upcoming bowling party was discussed. 4-H year pins were awarded to present members (pins were from 1 year to 9 years). A picture of the window display (3<sup>rd</sup> place) was passed around. New officers were elected. The meeting was adjourned and a game was played. The evening ended in treats and drinks by the Henny and Fickle families.

## Clovers To....

- ✿ Tasha, Terry, Sammee, Marylin, and Anthony Lesmeister and Mikayla, Alex, Alyssa, and Donna Engeman for walking in the in the Henry County Heart Walk on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

## Older Member News

### Teen Conference

Are you interested in building even stronger leadership skills while you make about 300 new friends? If the answer is "yes," you will definitely want to come to Teen Conference! Along with new skills, you'll learn about what's waiting for you as a 4-H teenager and meet other youth from across the state. Your leaders on the State 4-H Council have planned this event and they'll all be there, leading the workshops themselves!

This event is exclusively for youth ages 11-13 and there's a reason it always sells out, so contact your 4-H office today and get signed up! Cost is \$129. In addition T-shirts can be pre-ordered at \$15/each. Registration due December 4<sup>th</sup>. Ask Christy about transportation to this event! For more info and registration check out the website at <http://4h.missouri.edu/events/teenconf>.

### Global Conference



If your future includes a job or career be sure to sign up to attend the Kansas City 4-H Global Conference on March 17-20, 2010. This conference is for youth age 15 and older who want to learn more about careers, technology, environment, and cultural

diversity. Enjoy tours to Kansas City area businesses, corporations and service agencies that include the Board of Trade, Cerner Medical Systems Technology, Federal Express, fashion industry, publishing, art and global photography, engineering, aviation, and much more. Participate in workshops that focus on topics such as veterinary medicine, geoscience engineering, international careers, journalism, dentistry, fashion, law, business, NASA, Drug Enforcement Agency, U.S. Customs and Border Patrol and much more.

Meet people from Denmark, Germany, Mexico, India, Japan, Gambia and points beyond at an Ethnic Enrichment Festival that includes ethnic food, dance and crafts. A keynote presentation, dances and other activities round out the experience.

The cost is \$270 for youth. Youth may attend this conference no more than two times if they meet the age requirement. Registration due December 4<sup>th</sup>. Visit the following website for details and registration materials:

<http://www.4h.missouri.edu/events/globalconf/>

### State 4-H Council

Youth who are 4-H age 14-17 can apply to be part of the State 4-H Council. If you are interested please let Christy know. Applications include a letter of intent, application form and MRF.

### Global Travel Applications Due

Applications for our 2010 youth and chaperon exchange programs are due to the state office on or before December 1, 2009. Opportunities are available for youth and/or chaperon to travel to Japan, Norway, Australia, and Costa Rica. Scholarships are available. Interviews will be held the 1<sup>st</sup> part of January.

### Jr. Leaders

Henry County Jr. Leaders is open to all Henry County 4-H members ages 12 (4-H age, as of January 1 2010) and over. If you are interested in joining this group for the new year please let Christy know!

Jr. Leaders will meet every other month...watch the LINK for when and where we'll meet next!

**December 11<sup>th</sup>** will be a skating party, followed by dinner and an overnight at the Courthouse! Breakfast will be provided. More details will be released soon...**Please RSVP to Christy at the Extension office by December 4<sup>th</sup>!**

## Clover Kids Corner

Through Clover Kids clubs, children learn how to get along, share, and work in groups, explore their interests, and build self-confidence. Each Clover Kids Corner provides an activity, information or other materials that Clover Kids leaders can use in planning and implementing experiences that introduce five to seven-year olds to the 4-H concept of learning by doing.

### Apple Tasting Testing

#### Supplies

- 6 Different Apple Varieties
- Knife
- Paper Plates
- Pencils

#### Directions

1. Wash each apple. Cut the apples so that each child has one slice of each variety. Assign each variety a number.
2. Give each child a paper plate and pencil. Children should number their plates like the face of a clock.
3. Give each child a slice of each variety and tell them to put the slice at the corresponding number of on the plate.
4. Ask the children to taste each slice one at a time. Help them describe the taste. Is it sweet? Sour? Juicy? Dry? Soft? Crunchy? Mushy? Crisp? How many like the taste? How many dislike the taste?
5. Repeat the questions for each apple slice.
6. After all apples have been tasted, tally up the likes and dislike to learn which apples are preferred.

### Monthly Clover Kids Club Meeting

The Henry County Clover Kids Club will meet Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Henry County Courthouse basement meeting room...hope to see you there!!!

## Countywide Project Meetings

-Listed in alphabetical order by project-

Project	Date	Time	Location	Contact Info
<b>Dog</b>	November 3	6:00pm	HC Fairgrounds	Lin Kozlowski 417-644-7425
	November 17	6:00pm	HC Fairgrounds	
<b>Robotics</b>	November 19	6:00pm	Courthouse Meeting Room	Christy Hicks 885-5556



### Information Due 21<sup>st</sup> of Each Month

If you would like to include information about something your club or project group is doing, or just want to announce an opportunity for members, please send your submissions to the Henry County Extension Office by the 16<sup>th</sup> of December. Send e-mail to [hickscm@missouri.edu](mailto:hickscm@missouri.edu) or mail to: The 4-H LINK, 100 W. Franklin, Room 16, Clinton, MO 64735. We are always looking for good information to share with our 4-H members and leaders.

Please note that the Henry County Extension Office has the right to edit or refuse articles based on quality and content.



1	2	3 -Officer Training 6:30pm, CH Mtg Rm -Dog Project Mtg 6pm, Fairgrounds	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 -Clover Kids Club 6:30pm, CH Mtg Rm	11 <i>Office Closed</i> <i>Veteran's Day</i> 	12	13	14 -9am, Youth as Professional Workshop, Columbia -Camp Food and Fitness, Columbia
15 -Camp Food and Fitness, Columbia	16 -Items for LINK due	17 -Dog Project Mtg 6pm, Fairgrounds	18	19 -Robotics 6pm, CH Mtg Rm	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 <i>Office Closed</i>	27 <i>Office Closed</i>	28
29	30	31	 			

		1 -Dog Mtg 6pm	2	3 -New Family Dinner, 6:30pm Friends Room	4 -Teen Conference and KC Global Registrations Due -MRF's selected for Regional Review due back by 4:30pm	5
6	7	8 -Clover Kids Club 6:30pm, CH Mtg Rm -Volunteer Orientation 6:30pm, CH	9	10 -Ham Meeting 6:30pm, (Tech School?)	11 -Jr. Leaders Overnight	12
13	14	15 -Dog Mtg, 6pm	16 -Items for LINK due	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 Christy Gone	24 Christy Gone <i>Christmas Eve</i> 	25 Christy Gone <b>Christmas</b> <i>Office Closed</i>	26
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