



Clover Connection

News from University of Missouri Extension 4-H Youth Development

December 2011

Greetings everyone!

In 4-H, we get to celebrate new years in different ways...as 4-H'ers we began a new 4-H year on September 1st. We also get to celebrate a new calendar year on January 1st! Both are great times to reflect on what we accomplished and set goals for the new year. As always, we are excited YOU have chosen to be a part of this huge family of 4-H, which covers over 80 countries now. If you think about it, you belong to the biggest youth organization in the world! WOW! So, as we celebrate and prepare for the coming year, let's make a commitment to "Join the Revolution of Responsibility" with other 4-H'ers worldwide. Let's commit to make a difference in the world we live in. When we do we impact everything and everyone else. Big responsibility, it's also the most rewarding moments you'll experience. So, become the best you can be, whether you're holding an office or helping as mentors or you're the new member who really isn't sure what 4-H is all about. Remember, you are part of a very big family and we're glad you're here! Let's go out and "Make the Best, Better!!

Have a very Merry Christmas and a safe and joyous New Year!!

KANSAS CITY GLOBAL SUMMIT 2012

Alison Copeland

The 2012 Kansas City 4-H Global Summit is March 14-17! Visit the Missouri 4-H website for more details including the participant age requirement, workshop and tour descriptions and registration forms at 4h.missouri.edu/events/globalconf/. The cost is \$275 for youth and \$380 for adults.



The Summit provides opportunities for youth to explore careers, technology, environment and cultural diversity in a global society. Here is what you can do during 4-H Global Summit:

- Tours to Kansas City area businesses and organizations (i.e., Bayer Science, Lee Jeans, Board of Trade, EPA Chemical Lab, Federal Reserve, Kansas City hospital, Smith Electric Vehicles and Farmland Foods)
- Workshops showcasing a variety of careers (i.e., engineering, international law, CSI, archeology, nuclear pharmacy, veterinary medicine, law enforcement, marketing and geo science)
- Cultural events - ethnic enrichment festival, including food, music and art
- Dances, group events and other programs that provide opportunities for participants to meet youth from Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma .

All registration, health, release and county summary

forms are due in the local extension office by December 7 2011.

Cancellations and refunds are allowed by **February 1**, Delegate substitutions (male for male, female for female) are allowed until March 1, 2012. 4-H opportunities and trips qualify for excused school absence as evidenced in Missouri State Statute. Each youth that registers receives a "school absence" letter from the State 4-H office that references the statute. For more information call your local Extension Center at 417-532-7126.

MISSOURI STATE 4-H COUNCIL

The Missouri State 4-H Council has accomplished a lot over the last three months of only meeting two different weekends. The biggest task at hand the council focuses on is planning both State 4-H Teen Conference and the State 4-H Congress. We, as council, have chosen a theme this year that will hopefully attract more of our male members. The theme this year is N.F.L. which stands for Nation's Finest Leaders. The council is very energized by this theme and we plan to focus our attire on football wear. While we have been promoting this theme now, and encourage you to do the same, the council has been actively attending local recognition banquets in surrounding counties. As you can imagine this is a major task for all.

I look forward to hearing great reports from the members who have attended recognition nights at the next meeting!

Tyler Lappe,
President, Missouri State 4-H Council



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Clover Kids Corner

Alison Copeland

Chocolate-Dipped Pretzels

Supplies:

- One bag of pretzels
- 12-ounce bag semisweet or white chocolate chips
- 2 tablespoons butter
- Microwave-safe bowl
- Cookie sheet lined with waxed paper
- Spoon, flat spatula, and table knife
- Sprinkles (optional)

Directions:

1. Put chocolate chips and butter in a microwave-safe bowl, and microwave on high for 1½ minutes. Stir with spoon. If the chips are not melted, heat for 30 more seconds and stir again.

2. Dip the spatula into the melted chocolate. Roll the pretzel in the chocolate on the spatula so it is half-covered. (Melted white chocolate can be a little lumpy, so you may need to smooth it over the pretzel with the knife.). Add sprinkles if desired.

3. Lay each chocolate-dipped pretzel on the cookie sheet. Let the dipped pretzels sit for 30 minutes before serving. Do not refrigerate.



4-H DAY WITH THE RAMS

Dave Hileman

Tickets are still available. Sign up now!

4-H families, alumni, and friends are invited to cheer on the St. Louis Rams at the 2011 4-H Day with the Rams on Sunday, December 18, 2011 at the Edward Jones Dome in St. Louis. The Rams will play the Cincinnati Bengals in a noon game.

Tickets are \$40 each (a \$15 discount). With each ticket ordered, participants will receive a \$10 voucher for food and drink at the dome, and a 4-H Day with the Rams t-shirt. And for orders of 10 or more tickets (must be on one order) each person will receive an additional \$10 food and drink voucher!

Ticket orders can be mailed, or you can call or e-mail the order. All the information for ordering is available at 4h.missouri.edu/events/rams/. T-shirts will be picked up at the dome on game day.

For additional information please contact Dave Hileman at:
hilemand@missouri.edu or 636-583-5141.

TEEN CONFERENCE TEAMS UP FOR A NFL WEEKEND!

4-H TEEN CONFERENCE is a fun-filled, two-day event for ages 11-13, planned by your State 4-H Council teens. This years theme is NFL or Nation's Finest Leaders! (and you thought it was football!) :):) Come join other 4-H youth as we



- Make 300 new friends from across Missouri,
- Building leadership skills through quality learning experiences,
- Connecting youth with older peer leaders on the State 4-H Council,
- Taking a look at the exciting opportunities that awaits 4-H teens!!

When: March 24-25, 2012

Where: Stoney Creek Inn, Columbia, Missouri

Call your local extension center for more information!

Encourage Youth Leadership!

Ina Linville

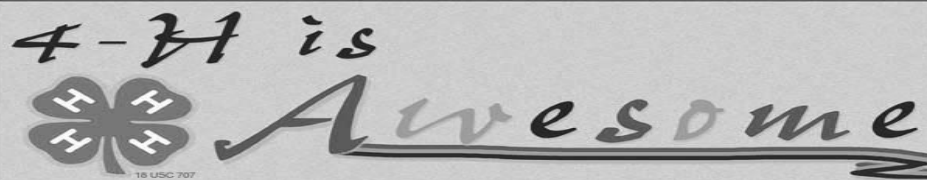
Is your 4-H Club youth centered? One quick way to determined this is to time who talks at your meetings. If the total amount of minutes you measure for folks talking add up more for adults than the youth, then it is time to turn that measure around.

Some ideas to help youth do more talking at meetings:



Have a leader meet with the officer team sometime prior to the meeting to create and discuss agenda items, reports, etc. Then leaders, keep seated and let the 4-H members run the meeting. Will the meeting run perfectly? Probably not, but the club's leadership team will get better as they practice fulfilling their officer roles.

You say you have young members who are just starting their 4-H career and have no clue on how to run a meeting? Young members can still call a meeting to order, follow an agenda, etc. They may need more adult support to develop an agenda, make sure the flags arrive, etc. (again do this ahead of the meeting) until they grow and develop into tweens and teens. They can and should be allowed to run their club. Be the wise guide on the side and not sages on the stage. Let's give the stage to our members.



Need a Gardening Project Idea? Take a Look at This!!!

Whole Foods Market groceries is offering non-profits (4-H clubs and councils qualify) and partnering schools the opportunity to apply for a \$2,000 garden grant.



See <http://wholekidsfoundation.org/gardengrants-application.php> for details.

Applications are accepted until Dec. 31, 2011.

You can use the Whole Foods Garden grant as match funding for a Missouri 4-H Foundation Community Service Grant—that's potentially \$4,000 to start a school vegetable garden!



RADA CUTLERY 4-H FUNDRAISER

As the 4-H year gets into full swing, Laclede County 4-H Council announces the first opportunity for securing the financial resources needed to help provide those wonderful educational experiences for our youth! Those experiences include partial scholarships to camps, State Teen Conference, State 4-H Congress and the award trip to Citizenship Washington DC! At their last meeting, 4-H Council approved a great new fundraiser with RADA Cutlery ...and there's lots more to choose from, too!



Check it all out at the website at the link below. Members will be able to forward the link through e-mail and Face book to reach lots of your friends and family at one time! They will be able to place their order directly on the website! This one is a real time and energy saver!!

Catalogs will also be available by next week to those who prefer to pass a catalog. Both methods can be very effective! 4-H Council will receive 40% of the reasonably priced items. We take the orders first so we have no investment up front! Please contact Kim Lambeth at the Extension Office at 417-532-7126 or lambethk@missouri.edu if you would like a hard copy catalog. Club leaders if you will be seeing your members soon, please let us know how many catalogs you will need to distribute.

Planned fundraiser timeline:

Nov. 22 - pick up catalogs from office

Nov. 21-Dec. 11 Share information with EVERYONE you know and take their orders! They'll be able to purchase Christmas gifts AND support our great cause!!

Dec. 10 – online order deadline

Dec. 12 - all orders/money due to office (Checks made payable to Laclede County 4-H Council)

Dec. 13 - place order.

Dec. 16 – probably pick up orders at office

Dec. 19 –for sure can pick up orders at office!

You can cut out the information below and use it to promote this wonderful fundraiser!!

Check this out!!

Support your local 4-H members and shop for great Christmas gifts!

Laclede County 4-H Annual RADA Cutlery (and more!) Fundraiser

Just go to the link below and shop!

Each purchase helps provide great learning opportunities for our youth!

Deadline to order online is midnight Dec.10th !!

www.helpourfundraiser.com

The online ordering is set up under the

Online number: 503593 and Password: 4hcouncil (This is with no hyphen, no spaces.)

4-H Club Reports

4-H Club Reporters

Please email us news from your clubs by the 20th of each month to what your club is doing keeps us all connected and sparks ideas for others!



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FREEDOM REINS 2011-2012 CLUB OFFICERS

President: Tori Janacek
Vice President: Kyla Marlin
Secretary: Katelyn Marlin
Secretary in Training: Audrey Henenberg
Treasurer: Sarah Smalley
Reporter: MacKenzie Wieners
Recreation: Maude Henenberg
Historian: Trinity Hartwell

News from Freedom Reins Club

The Freedom Reins Club met on October 17th. Items discussed were: 4-H enrollment forms, proceeds from our Horse Show held on October 15th, Hampton Corn Maze on October 21st and also continuing to go ahead with the Spring clean up at the Marshfield park for our community project. Our group will now also be meeting one Saturday of every month for projects.

Reporter, Mackenzie Wieners



Laclede County 4-H Council 2011-2012 Officers

Shelly Hash—President
Cora Janacek—Vice President
Joanne Roberts—Secretary
Pam Peirano—Treasurer
Marsha Shockley—Historian

Thank you for supporting the 4-H youth in our community!!

Whippoorwill 4-H Club Officers

President—Rachel Coryell
Vice-president—Joe Peirano
Secretary/Reporter—
Theresa Peirano
Treasurer—Joe Peirano
Historian—Rachel Coryell
Game leaders—Rachel Coryell and
Theresa Peirano
Song leaders—Joe Peirano
Adult council representatives—
Pam Peirano, Joanne Roberts,
Theresa Coryell, (Marsha Shockley
alternate)
Youth council representatives—
Theresa Peirano, Rachel Coryell

Laclede County Aggie Officers and 4-H Club News

In the last meeting, November 7th, we elected new officers, they are:

President: Baleigh Raef
Vice President: Layton Karr
Secretary: Shannon Jenkins
Treasurer: MacKenzie Gress
Historian: Julie Ford
Reporter: Carrie Sanwald
Recreation Leader(s) Brody Raef/
John J. Sanwald

We order and designed club t-shirts. Our next meeting is set for Friday, Dec. 2 @ 6:30 pm for a Christmas party. Our speaker for the last meeting was Sam Lower, and he taught us about chickens. We had the opportunity to slaughter a chicken.

Reporter: Carrie Sanwald

Friendship 4-H Club 2011-2012 Officers and Club News

President: Katie Brandon
Vice President: Heather Murry
Secretary: Christine Brandon
Treasurer: Tessa Meints
Historian: Madeline McKimney
Reporter: Reilly Hash
Recreation Leader: Elias Hash

The Friendship Club met on November 5, 2011. Twenty eight members attended. Our service project for the year is helping animals. We are putting stickers on our Community Service Poster to show how we helped animals. We made bird feeders out of cheerios and pipe cleaners and yarn. We had cookies and soda for snacks and played 4-Corners during game time. We voted to collect food and toys for the animal shelters at our next meeting, which is December 3. We also planned to do fun Christmas activities at our December meeting.
Reilly Hash, Reporter

Rockets Club Officers and News

President—Hannah Stewart
Secretary—Trinity Hammond
Treasurer—Alyssa Ishman

The Rockets Club went to the Lebanon Humane Society and walked 13 dogs and had a great time playing with the cats. They planed a Christmas party too!
Hannah Stewart, President



County-wide Horse Project News

Horse Project Level One met for the first time Saturday, November 19th and had a great time. Tristen Meints and Theresa Periano, from Horse Project

Level Two, were on hand to introduce the group to the fascinating world of horses. After dividing into groups, we stepped into learning stations to discover a lot of things about horses we did not know or imagined! We concentrated on the nature of a horse, safety around horses, and tack used for riding horses this first meeting. After the stations, we went on out to the barn and met the horses. Tristen and Theresa demonstrated some of the things discussed in the stations and we ended the meeting with everyone given the opportunity to join the horses in the paddock and get acquainted.

We will not meet in December.

Happy Holiday Trails!!

Scott and Pat Shumate

On November 12, the county-wide horse project Level II attended the Show Me Thunder Drill Team Clinic near Eugene, MO as spectators. At the beginning of the clinic the coach of the team explained a little about the drill team and what was needed to start a team. Then the people participating in the clinic mounted up and learned formations at a walk/trot. The actual drill team performed and then the participants performed a drill at a walk/trot to music. Overall, it was a new experience.

Rachel Coryell

STATE EQUINE EVENTS

MISSOURI 4-H EQUINE TRIP 2012 Debbie Davis

They're off and running....to the horse capital of the world... Lexington, Kentucky for the Sixth Annual Missouri 4-H Equine Tour, May 23-29, 2012. Participants will explore the wide range of equine industry opportunities through visits to world renowned equine medical and research facilities. The itinerary will include farm tours of famous Thoroughbreds, Saddlebreds, Morgans, Quarter Horses and Haflingers. Higher education equine programs and facilities such as the University of Kentucky will be visited as well as opportunities to meet nationally recognized leaders in the equine industry. And, of course, the tour will include a visit to Churchill Downs! Make your plans to be in the winner's circle! The \$550 tour fee includes the transportation on a charter bus, tours, hotels, meals; tour t-shirt, travel bag and other associated costs. Applications are available at 4h.missouri.edu/events/horse/ and are due on or before March 1, 2012 with initial deposit. 4-H staff and Marci Crosby, MU Equine Program Coordinator will be 2012 tour chaperones.

Questions? Contact Debbie Davis at davisdd@missouri.edu or 816-539-3765.

MFA SADDLE AWARDS ARE DUE JANUARY 3, 2012

Ben Gallup

Sponsored by MFA Agri-Services-Feed Division, the top applicant will receive a western saddle. Applicants must be 4-H age, 14 years and older, and must participate in the Missouri 4-H Horsemanship Program. Skill sets include a demonstrated knowledge in horsemanship and horse science. The ability to share that knowledge with other members and a commitment to better their community. For more information go to:

<http://4h.missouri.edu/events/horse/#MFA>



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4-H Teen Meeting It's Game Night!!

Who: 4-H Teens, age 13 and up

When: Monday, November 28 at 6:00 pm at the Extension Office. Please bring: \$3.00 for pizza.

You **MUST RSVP** the Extension Office at 532-7126 or sign up at our face Book page or email dorseys@missouri.edu or jumbo712@gmail.com if you will be attending the meeting!

REMEMBER...bring a favorite game and your smile! We'll plan a community service project, so bring those ideas with you and we'll have a great evening stepping into the new year!

Be sure to invite new friends who have joined 4-H. They'll be more likely to come if YOU invite them to an event and they feel know someone else there!!

Laclede County 4-H County Wide Projects

(Other projects may be added when project leaders are identified)

Arts and Crafts (311)

Project Leader—Shelly Hash shellyhash@hotmail.com 417-532-1873

Arts and Crafts - Scrapbooking (315)

Project Leader—Shelly Hash shellyhash@hotmail.com 417-532-1873

Clothing - Sewing Expressions – Level 1 (521)

Project Leader -Janette Frederick 573-346-1030

Electricity (831)

Project Leader—Sean Clearbrook sean@lebcams.com 417-588-9228

Filmmaking (270)

Project Leader—Eric Adams eadams@lebanon.k12.mo.us 417-718-0326

(This project is for teens 13 – 18 only)

First Aid (771)

Project Leader—Karla Lowe-Phelps klowephelps@gmail.com 531-3214

Foods A (551)

Project Leaders -Tammy McKimmey tmckimmey@yahoo.com 532-0934

and Dana Phillips dphillips@lebanon.k12.mo.us 417-345-0218

Geospatial (GPS) 991

Project Leader Steve LaVal steven.laval@mdc.mo.gov 417-532-7612

Horses (141)

(142—this project is for youth who completed Level 1 last year)

Project Leaders -Scott and Pat Shumate

slshumate2@gmail.com 417-588-2716

Photography (351, 352, 353)

Project Leader -Eric Adams eadams@lebanon.k12.mo.us 417-718-0326

Robotics (881)

Project Leader—Allen Tullos allentullos@centurytel.net 417-531-0112

Date of project TBA

Shooting Sports (740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745)

Project Leader—Martha Smith faithrox2010@gmail.com 417-664-7199



4-H COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of the Laclede County
4-H Council will be held at
Laclede County Extension Office on
Monday, January 2 , 2012

Schedule for County—Wide Projects

December 3

Scrapbooking Project 12 pm to 3:30 pm at
The Artsy Café
Geospatial 8 am to 10 am at the Methodist
Church

Geospatial 12 pm to 2 pm at the Coleman
Conservation Area

December 10

Clothing, Sewing Expressions 10 am to 12:30 pm

January 7

Electricity 12 pm to 2 pm at the Methodist
Church First Aid 12 pm to 3 pm at the
Methodist Church

January 14

Clothing, Sewing Expressions 10 am to 12:30 pm

February 4

First Aid 12 pm to 3 pm at the Methodist Church

February 18

Clothing, Sewing Expressions 10 am to 12:30 pm
(if needed)

March 3

Electricity 12 pm to 2 pm at the Methodist
Church Foods 12 pm to 3 pm at the Methodist
Church (First Aid...Make Up Snow Day)

April 14

Photography at Bennett Spring

April 28

Photography at Lebanon High School

May 5

Arts & Crafts 12 pm to 3:30 pm at The
Artsy Café

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**Bring them to your club
meetings or the
Extension office!**



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Laclede County 4-H Clubs

Please Note: All 4-H Club Schedules are on the monthly calendars!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

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