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**Hunting Skills Coach Successful**

Nine teams, each composed of four Missouri 4-Hers, traveled to Nebraska with their volunteer coaches to participate in the 4-H Shooting Sports National Invitational, the 4-H championships. Each youth was selected earlier to be a member of the state team. Each team competes in 3 different events during the course of the competition. The first 5 place teams and top 10 individual shooters are recognized for their performance in each daily event as well as for the overall team/individual recognition, which is the ultimate goal of the competition. The first place national team was the Missouri team coached by Lewis County Coach Tim Coy. Congratulations and well done, Tim! Complete results available at:

<http://shootingsports.unl.edu/results.html>.



## Host Families Needed

We still have unplaced FLEX students who will be arriving in August to enroll in school and depart in May. These students are from the Eurasian countries and have good English skills. If you are interested in hosting a student for the school year, please contact Joyce Taylor immediately. The students need to be placed as soon as possible. Joyce Taylor 660-728-2280 or [TaylorJL@missouri.edu](mailto:TaylorJL@missouri.edu).

## Farm Safety College

Our Farm Safety College is quickly coming upon us again! The date has been set for **Tuesday, September 15** from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at Trowbridge Livestock Center. The classes we hope to be offered that day are in the areas of ATV, Electricity, Firearm Safety, Sun Safety, and an exceptional presentation about First Aid. The cost is \$2 per person with most of the proceeds going to help fund Collegiate Cattlemen's. If you are interested, send an email with the approximate number of participants to [mofarmsafety@mocattle.com](mailto:mofarmsafety@mocattle.com).

If you have any further questions, don't hesitate to call Katie Steen at 573-449-4923 or Dawn Shellabarger at 573-817-8681.

### Camp Memories CD hot off the press!

If you went to 4-H Camp this past year—and even if you didn't, a CD containing about 20 minutes of highlights from each of the 2009 4-H Camps is now available! The cost is \$5 per copy. Contact the Marion County Extension Office to order yours! Checks payable to "Marion County Extension".

A low-resolution version of the program will be available on the web in a month or so. It will be slow to download and you will probably have to tweak some security settings on your computer to be able to view it, (especially if you are using Windows XP or VISTA) but you will be able to find it by going through: <http://extension.missouri.edu/marion/4HCamp>.

## 2010 State Shooting Team Information

Try-out opportunities for the 2010 State Shooting Teams begin State Shoot weekend, September 19-20, 2009. Information has been updated to include the 6 Shotgun Team selection matches this fall and winter. Try-out opportunities for the following teams will take place: Compound Archery, Recurve Archery, Smallbore Rifle, Smallbore Pistol, Shotgun and Muzzleloading. A clinic will be conducted for those youth, parents, and leaders interested in the Hunting Skills team. Check out the website for more information at <http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports/contests.htm>.



## Clover Kids Day at the Missouri State Fair

Calling all Clover Kids! A special day for Clover Kids is scheduled during the Missouri State Fair in Sedalia on August 16 in the 4-H Building from 9:00 - 3:00. Clover Kids will have an opportunity to:

- Display one item made during a Clover Kids meeting or event in the 4-H Building that day
- Receive a State Fair participation ribbon
- Give a demonstration (sign up that day in the 4-H Building)
- Participate in arts/crafts, science and other fun activities
- Make balloon animals

Clover Kids are encouraged to attend!

## MOre Fun in Science at the State Fair

Come have “MOre Fun in Science” on August 20-22 during the Missouri State Fair. This Missouri 4-H co-sponsored event will include interactive and educational activities and fun displays about technology, robotics, sustainability, and other hands-on science. Two highlights of the three-day event will include Thursday’s Show Me Robots and Saturday’s world record breaking Mentos Soda Launch.

The **Show Me Robots** on August 20 in the Lowell Mohler Assembly Hall from noon to 6:00 p.m. will feature robots and robot education in Missouri. There will be exhibits, robot demonstrations, competitions, and hands-on robot activities. More information can be found at <http://4h.missouri.edu/events/fair/robots.htm>.



Be part of a world record attempt during the **Mentos Soda Launch** on August 22 as 2,500 participants attempt the launch simultaneously. Participant check-in will begin at 1:00 p.m. with the launch at 2:00 p.m. on the Infield of the Pepsi Grandstand. More information for interested participants will be coming SOON! Many volunteers are needed for the event, so please contact Mike Razim at [mrrb6b@mizzou.edu](mailto:mrrb6b@mizzou.edu) if you are interested in volunteering.

For more information about “MOre Fun in Science” during the Missouri State Fair, please visit <http://www.mostatefair.com/press/PR05202009.htm> or contact either Bill Pabst at [pabsta@missouri.edu](mailto:pabsta@missouri.edu) or Mike Razim at [mrrb6b@mizzou.edu](mailto:mrrb6b@mizzou.edu).

## North Central Region Volunteer Forum 2009 – Registration Booklet

The University of Nebraska – Lincoln Extension 4-H Youth Development Program is excited to invite you to the 2009 North Central Region 4-H Volunteer Forum on **October 1-4, 2009** in historic downtown, Lincoln, Nebraska. The Nebraska team is working hard at “Giving You our Best” so that you, as a volunteer, will be able to “Give them Your Best.”

Registration booklet is located at <http://4h.missouri.edu/getinvolved/volunteer/>.

### Saddle Up for St. Jude

Saddle Up for St. Jude is a fun, family-oriented fundraising event based around horseback riding that raises money for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. Typically, a Saddle Up event consists of a trail ride, but it can also include horse shows and other equestrian events. Horse enthusiasts and the general public alike, have joined together to hold Saddle Up events across the country to help in the hospital’s fight against childhood cancer and other catastrophic diseases.

#### How can you get involved today?

Sign up to be a Saddle Up coordinator and hold your very own event! Next, recruit participants, distribute fundraising materials provided by St. Jude, and ask them to contact their family and friends to gather donations for taking part in your event.

#### Why host a Saddle Up for St. Jude event?

- Combine your passion of horses with helping to save lives of children battling cancer and other catastrophic diseases.
- Provide a meaningful event for your entire community to enjoy horses and the great outdoors.
- Opportunity to generate press coverage for your riding club, organization or group.
- Create partnerships between you, your club or organization and area businesses through event sponsorship.
- Earn great prizes.

A kit is provided to each person that signs up to be a coordinator. Learn more about Saddle Up at <http://tinyurl.com/SaddleUp> and host a Saddle Up event!



### 4-H Award Forms Due Soon

During the month of September in most cases. Year-end reports for clubs, recognition for members. Check your local Club Leader or Extension Office for specific details and application information. Remember—the deadline is the deadline. Early reports are cheerfully accepted!