4-H Happenings!

News for 4-H families and friends

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State Shooting Sports
Registrations are open and ongoing for the following Shooting sports events.

- State Shoot August and September dates (August 26 and 27 September 16 and 17)
  - This registration is on Fair Entry [http://moshootingsports.fairentry.com/](http://moshootingsports.fairentry.com/) and will close August 1
  - For detailed registration instructions go to your county Extension/4-H website

- Western Heritage State shoot September 23 and 24
  - This registration is on 4HOnline: [http://mo.4honline.com](http://mo.4honline.com) and will close August 31
  - For registration help go to: [http://4h.missouri.edu/doc/MOEventRegistration.pdf](http://4h.missouri.edu/doc/MOEventRegistration.pdf)

- Shoot Sports Leader Certification workshop October 6- 8
  - This registration is on 4HOnline: [http://mo.4honline.com](http://mo.4honline.com) and will close August 31
  - For registration help go to: [http://4h.missouri.edu/doc/MOEventRegistration.pdf](http://4h.missouri.edu/doc/MOEventRegistration.pdf)

Clover Kids Day at the State Fair
A special day for Clover Kids (youth ages 5-7) will be featured in the 4-H building in Sedalia on Sunday, August 13, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. All 4-H Clover Kids and their families are invited to attend this event. Clover Kids can:

- Display an item they have made
- Receive a State Fair participation ribbon
- Give a demonstration (just show up that day and we’ll find time as soon as possible for Clover Kids demonstrations)
- Participate in arts/crafts, science and other fun learning activities
- See cool 4-H stuff displayed in the building

Don’t miss out on the fun 😊

Missouri 4-H Hall of Fame
The Missouri 4-H Hall of Fame will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, August 19 at the Fred E. Davis Multipurpose Center on the State Fair Community College campus, one block west of the State Fairgrounds in Sedalia, Missouri.

The Missouri 4-H Foundation annually recognizes the work of 4-H friends and volunteers through its recognition and awards program, said Rachel Augustine, associate director of development of the University of Missouri Extension’s 4-H Foundation.

“Individuals who have created exceptional legacies of service and dedication to 4-H are recognized and honored with membership in the Missouri 4-H Hall of Fame,” Augustine said.

2017 Missouri 4-H Hall of Fame Inductees from this area:
- Audrain: Junior Worley
- Marion: Steve Begley
- Monroe: Louise Armstrong
Take a Chance - Public Speaking
Meet friends and become a better public speaker, at the State 4-H Public Speaking Contest on the University of Missouri campus! While it may sound scary, this contest is actually pretty fun. You’ll feel great after giving your speech and leave with ideas for getting even better. You’ll also party with the State 4-H Council before going to watch the “best of the best” do their thing at the Awards Assembly and take home the trophies. Cost is $30/participant and families can come cheer you on for free. Register through 4HOnline today! Registration closes August 31 and no late entries will be accepted.

National 4-H Conference
Are you interested in government, public policy, or working with others to solve a problem in your community? National 4-H Conference may be the place for you. It is the premier professional and leadership development event for 4-H members (15-19). While at National Conference you will work with other youth to create solutions to some of today’s social problems such as distracted driving, childhood obesity and others. You will then have the opportunity to present your ideas to government agencies that can put your ideas to work such as the National Institute for Health, the National Traffic Safety Board and others. You will learn effective ways to advocate for an issue and can bring these skills home to your local community.

If you are interested in this opportunity you will need to complete the Level 3 State Excellence Award form, answer an additional four questions about your Citizenship experiences and if selected for Regional and/or State judging prepare presentation about a current topic. Youth may only participate in this conference once. You may continue to apply as long as you are still age eligible.

State 4-H Fashion Revue
State 4-H Fashion Revue is October 7, 2017! Registration for this event is in 4HOnline and registration ends August 31 (no late entries will be accepted). You can also visit Fashion Revue website for more information - http://4h.missouri.edu/fashion-revue

Expeditionary Skills for Life
Expeditionary Skills for Life is a project of 4-H National Headquarters, NASA Headquarters and Johnson Space Center. A series of NASA videos and youth educational activities were created relating to NASA crew training and 21st century youth skills. These were created to coincide with Peggy Whitson’s mission on the International Space Station in 2016-2017. Peggy is an Iowa 4-H alumna who helped to create the NASA Expeditionary Skills crew training. The videos and activities can be found on NASA’s website. http://tinyurl.com/y72upjrh
Get Ready for the 2017 Solar Eclipse

On Aug. 21, 2017, the United States will experience a solar eclipse, when the moon passes between the sun and the earth. The path of totality will travel from Oregon to South Carolina around the lunch hour. Those along this path will see a total eclipse, while others in the U.S. will see a portion of the sun blocked by the moon. For an interactive map with timing information along the path of the eclipse.

Plan now to make the most of this experience. You’ll need to be prepared with a way to safely view the eclipse, like a simple “pinhole projector,” approved solar eclipse glasses, telescope with approved solar filter or number 14 welder's glass.

Our friends at NASA have created various resources that 4-H groups and others can use to learn more about this astronomical event. Visit the following websites to find additional information and resources.

Total Eclipse 2017 Links:
Through the Eyes of NASA: http://tinyurl.com/yd9x653r
Eclipses and Transits: https://www.nasa.gov/eclipse
The Solar Eclipse 2017 PREVIEW Show with NASA EDGE: http://tinyurl.com/ya8m9cao
Livestock Set up
All livestock exhibitors are required to help with Livestock set up on **Monday, July 31 at 5:00 p.m.** and barn take down/clean up after sale on Saturday. Species Chairmen will be taking attendance. Upon arrival please find your chairman and let them know you are there, if you have more than one species of animal please make contact with the proper chairman and let them know you are there and where you will be helping. It is up to each species chairman on how pens are assigned so please check with them prior to reserving pens.

If you are unable to attend set up, you must make contact with your chairman prior to set up so they know you will not be there. If you have sports conflicts, please contact your chairman and the extension office so we can make note of it. I have included the livestock chairman contact list below.

- **Swine:** Roger Sutter (217) 430-2003
- **Sheep:** Diane & Kevin DeHaan (217) 430-2836 (Diane)
- **Poultry:** Barb Bimson (573) 406-4798
- **Rabbits:** Paula Maples (573) 822-2645
- **Ham:** Tracy Meyer (573) 231-5056
- **Beef:** Joe Kendrick (573) 406-3971
- **Goats:** Brent Meyer (573) 231-2778

Swim Party!
Farmers Mutual Insurance is sponsoring a pool party for all current 4-H and FFA members and their family at the Palmyra Community Pool in Flower City Park on **Monday, July 31 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** Please be sure and tell Farmers Mutual Insurance Thank You!

Event registrations in 4HOnline
The following state contests are open for registration in 4HOnline and require county approval.

- State Fair Demos (register by August 1)
- Livestock Judging - August 26 (register by July 31)
- State Fashion Revue Contest – October 7 (register by Aug 31)
- Public Speaking Contest September 30 (register by September 30)
- State Shoot & Archery September 16 & 17 (register by July 31)

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **Missouri State Fair:** August 10-20
- **Fairboard Meeting:** August 21
- **4-H Council:** September 11
State Council Update
What’s happening with the State Council?
Our first meeting of the year was a success! We recapped 2017 Teen Conference and Congress and started preparations for this year’s events, including the theme of Teen Conference and Congress (to be announced in the next issue). The regional reps also worked out county assignments, made goals for the upcoming year, and practiced their public speaking skills.

Keep an eye out for State Council members at the State Fair as we will have a strong representation this year.

We cannot wait for the amazing 4-H year ahead of us!

Promoting the Clover!
This year Missouri 4-H wants to enhance their social media by spotlighting Missouri 4-H’ers, Clubs, Counties, and Events state wide. If you are interested in being spotlighted on Missouri 4-H and Northeast 4-H social media please send an email to ashlynp1999@hotmail.com that includes your name, club, county, and a brief description of your 4-H involvement! Also, if you have 4-H pictures from a club or county event, please send them so we can show off our amazing youth as much as possible. Along with showing off our talented Missouri 4-H members we hope to gain more followers on our social media pages in order to spread the word about 4-H further and increase attendance at state events, so we would love for you to give Missouri 4-H and Northeast MO 4-H a follow on Facebook and Instagram. Lastly, our biggest goal this year is to have 400 delegates at State Congress in order to pack Jesse Hall! #packjesse is the hashtag we want to start using and promoting in hopes of filling all those seats. We hope that you will join us in promoting 4-H in all the ways that we can!

Dates to Remember...
August: Registration is open on 4-HOnline for ALL state events so be sure and register!
Aug 10-20: State Fair
Aug 26: State Livestock Judging Contest
Aug 26-27: State Trap and Archery Shoot
Sept 9: Horse Demonstration and Public Speaking Contest
Sept 16-17: State Shoot
Sept 23-24: Western Heritage and Cowboy Shooting Contest
Sept 30: State Public Speaking Contest

National Recognition Forms DUE: Different Days per County

Tips for National Recognition Forms
-Read all the directions, thoroughly.
-Express all goals
-Highlight the past 4-H year’s experiences.
-Add captions with pictures.
-Use the 4-H Life Skills Model, to incorporate skills you have learned throughout the year.
-START filling out the Form ASAP!
-Express all skills you have learned in each project.
-Start you resume now, then build and add to it when entering the next division.
-In Citizen and Community Service sections, emphasize all your 4-H experiences, then include your other experiences outside of 4-H
Refer to Application Tips & Benefits sheet online, for more information.

Fun Facts
❖ 1 out of every 7 Americans is a former 4-H’er!
❖ Farming and ranching families make up only 2% of the U.S. population!
❖ A catfish has approximately 20,000 taste buds!
❖ Just like snowflakes, no two cows have the exact same pattern of spots!
Meet Your Reps!
An introduction to your Regional and State representatives from the Northeast Region!

**Holly Hatfield**
Missouri State 4-H Foundation Trustee

**Ashlyn Peterson**
Regional Representative

**Jacob Vaughn**
Regional Representative

**Taylor Thiessen**
Regional Representative

**Heather Snow**
Regional Representative

**Reed Niemeyer**
Missouri 4-H Council Treasurer

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**County**: Boone  
**Club**: Sturgeon Goal Seekers  
**Years on Council**: 1  
**Favorite 4-H Project**: Dairy Goats  
**Fun Fact**: I love mimicking accents.  
**Contact Info**: allisboy99@gmail.com

**County**: Monroe  
**Club**: Hartford Go-Getters  
**Years on Council**: 3  
**Favorite 4-H Project**: Bacon  
**Fun Fact**: My shoe size is 15!  
**Contact Info**: reedkniemeyer@gmail.com

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**County**: Boone  
**Club**: Rock Bridge  
**Years on Council**: 1  
**Favorite 4-H Project**: Sewing & Livestock  
**Fun Fact**: I have lived in 3 different states!  
**Contact Info**: snowgirlmo@gmail.com

**County**: Adair  
**Club**: Fairview Friends – 11 years  
**Years on Council**: 3  
**Favorite 4-H Project**: Sewing  
**Fun Fact**: Ice cream is my favorite food group!  
**Contact Info**: holly.hatfield03@gmail.com

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**County**: Boone  
**Club**: Hallsville Go-Getters  
**Years on Council**: 1  
**Favorite 4-H Project**: Archery  
**Fun Fact**: I love serving others and my community!  
**Contact Info**: taylorthiessen01@gmail.com

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**County**: Pike  
**Club**: Madison  
**Years on Council**: 2  
**Favorite 4-H Project**: Foods  
**Fun Fact**: I have never broken a bone!  
**Contact Info**: ashlynp1999@hotmail.com