

Web Edition

4-H Newsletter October 2011

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NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

OCTOBER 2-8, 2011

4-H youth are a living, breathing, culture-changing Revolution for doing the right thing, breaking through obstacles and pushing our country forward by making a measureable difference right where they live.

Celebrate the uncommon commitment of 4-H'ers during National 4-H Week, and recognize the confidence, passion and practical skills that prepare them to step up to the challenges of our complex, changing world.

Learn how you can *Join the Revolution of Responsibility* at 4-H.org.

4-H is the youth development program of our nation's Cooperative Extension System.

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An Exciting New 4-H Photography Learning Opportunity!

November 12, 4-H members, parents and project leaders will be able to tune in to a NE Missouri 4-H photography “meeting” to learn from accomplished photographer and 4-H photography project coach and judge, Michelle Huseman.

The project meeting will be conducted via an interactive computer connection that many of you may be able to access from your home! The session will be most appropriate for 4-H members 12 years and older, photography project leaders and parents.



Ms. Huseman will discuss topics such as composition, taking the good shot, lighting, and other fundamentals that are part of becoming a good photographer. If you like, you can even submit one or two of your own photos to be used for discussion during the project session!

The meeting will begin at 9:00 on Saturday the 12th, and last until about 10:30. You don't need to buy or obtain any additional software to take part! A few days before the meeting, we will send a link to the email address of all that pre-registered. You will need to follow that link to a site that will test your computer connection to make sure it is suitable, and it will install a small bit of software on your computer (very secure!) that will enable you to log into the meeting.

All you will need is a computer connection that is not dial-up and probably not a satellite service such as Sky Blue or HughesNet (too slow). And a set of speakers. A microphone is optional. If you don't have a computer connection like that, consider gathering a small group of members together where a good internet connection does exist.

To sign up for the session, simply email Marion County Extension at Marionco@missouri.edu prior to **November 4**. If you would like to submit a photo or two for discussion, email the files to that same email address. We can't promise we'll get to every photo submitted during the time we have available, but we'll try!

Join us for this new photography project adventure!

Discover the Clover 2011

Discover the Clover Missouri Volunteer Forum is planned for November 4-5, 2011. Columbia MO. Save the date!

You give your time and commitment directly from the Heart! For our wonderful volunteers, we offer a conference designed especially for you.

Come, experience, learn, refresh, and meet others who give so much to the 4-H program.



<http://4h.missouri.edu/getinvolved/volunteer/discoverclover/index.htm>

America's Farmers Grow Communities

The Monsanto Fund is launching their America's Farmers Grow Communities program in which farmers may select their favorite non-profit organization to receive \$2,500 within their county. Counties are chosen to participate in the basis of at least 30,000 acres of corn, soybeans or cotton. The grants are randomly selected per county and the program will run from August 1 through November 30, 2011. The process is very simple where farmers spend 2-3 minutes on growcommunities.com website and enter their name and preferred organization. No purchase is required and it's simply a way for them to give back to local communities. A random drawing of one registered farmer from each county will result in \$2,500 going to that farmer's designated organization.



Is 4-H one of the organizations to which you can direct your \$2,500 winnings if you are selected? You BET! All of the counties in this area of Missouri are eligible for the program.

Donate to 'Pennies from Heaven' at JCPenney in Support of 4-H Campaign Seeks Donations of Change to Benefit Marion County 4-H Youth

To support afterschool programs across the country, JCPenney launched a nationwide philanthropic campaign that invites customers to turn small change into "pennies from heaven" by rounding up their purchases and donating the difference to a local afterschool organization. The Marion County 4-H program is one of 1,100 out-of-school organizations matched with the Hannibal JCPenney store that will benefit from the proceeds raised during the pennies from heaven campaign.

When you shop the Hannibal JCPenney and round up your purchase to the nearest dollar, your small change makes a big difference for our program. That's because the entire difference is donated to our organization as a result of a partnership with our local JCPenney store. Your support is added to the millions JCPenney donates each year to out-of-school programs across the country.

As the leading corporate advocate for the afterschool issue, JCPenney is leveraging a cause marketing campaign to bolster national support through broadcast, print and online advertising as well as an engaging digital experience on jcp.com/pennies. Upcoming Pennies from Heaven periods will include **October 12 – 25** and **November 30 – December 12**.



imagine what a penny can do for us.

Missouri's Cattlemen Foundation Scholarships

Due September 30



1. Applicant must be a Missouri resident and a current paid member of the Missouri Junior Cattlemen's Association or the parent/legal guardian must be a current paid member of the Missouri Cattlemen's Association.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior or a full-time college student and have a GPA of 2.5/4.0 or better. Applicant must have been a full-time student (high school or college) the previous year and not have reached their 23rd birthday by January 1, 2012. Emphasis will be given to these degree programs: Agribusiness Management, Agriculture Economics, Agriculture Education, Agriculture Journalism, Agriculture Systems Management, Animal Science, General Agriculture, Biochemistry, Food Science and Nutrition and Plant Science.

Complete information and form can be found at:
<http://mocattle.com/scholarshipprogram.aspx>

Applications must be returned to the Missouri's Cattlemen Foundation office and be postmarked by September 30, 2011, to be considered.

As with any event or activity mentioned in this newsletter, if you need forms or additional information, contact your nearest Extension Office. We often have the needed information in our files, or we can access the information on the web for you, if it is available there.

School Garden Grants

Whole Foods Market groceries are offering nonprofits (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 December 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!

County Cured Ham and Evaluation Clinic

October 29, 2011

10 am—4 pm

Room S147

University of Missouri Animal Science Research Center

This clinic is open to all Missouri 4-H and FFA members of all interest levels regarding country cured ham projects. Each youth participant may be accompanied by one paid adult participant. Cost is \$10 per person (includes lunch). Make checks payable to:

Mizzou Meat Market and mail to: **Dr. Bryon Wiegand, 920 E. Campus Dr., S138 ASRC, Columbia, MO 65211** by **October 26, 2011**.



Sponsored by Burgers' Smokehouse, California, MO in cooperation with The University of Missouri's Mizzou Meat Market, Columbia, MO.

2011 NORTH CENTRAL REGION 4-H VOLUNTEER E-FORUM

SAVE THE DATES!

Dates for the 3 sessions:

- Monday, 11/07
- Thursday, 11/17 &
- Tuesday, 11/22



Time for each session:

- 7:30-9:30 p.m. (ET)
- 6:30-8:30 p.m. (CT)
- 5:30-7:30 p.m. (MT)

Join with other 4-H Volunteers in your community to learn cutting edge information that will help you work with your 4-H members. Session topics include Positive Youth Development, 4-H Program Management, and New & Emerging Curriculum. More information about the location and additional details will be announced soon!

Join the 4-H Techno Evolution!!

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