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Congratulations to our top 3 sellers above who chose the cash prizes. Thanks so much to all the 4-H kids participating in the Valentine’s Day Fundraiser! It was very successful and the new filled doughnuts was a success with a total of 590 dozen sold! Sorry that Hillary Shahan’s name was omitted from sellers list in last months newsletter. We are now making plans for the next phase of the 4-H Bldg. Renovations!

1st Place ~ David Ray & 3rd Place ~ Kori Hornaday
2nd Place ~ Haley Barra

Wishing that the Spring blooms your each day with Happiness!
Happy Spring!

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MARK THIS DATE !!!
Show Me Quality Assurance
March 30, 2015    7:00  PM
Putnam County 4-H Building

Remember ALL 4-H members enrolled in food animal projects including beef, sheep, swine, dairy cattle, meat and dairy goats, rabbits and poultry must complete the appropriate level of SMQA certification to be considered a 4-H member in good standing in that project.

If you can not attend this training for some reason, or miss it you can go to the following website and complete the training and print out the certificate and bring it in for a Signature and to get your SMQA card. http://agebb.missouri.edu/smqa/

Below is a list of 4-H members needing Show Me Quality Assurance Training, according to my records. If you have questions or if you think there is mistake contact Mary at the PC Extension Office 660-947-2705.

Bain, Kelton
Brundage, Reise
DeVore, Dalton
Dunham, Dayton
Fowler, Levi
Hornaday, Kooper
Lutz, Peyton
Munden, Brock
Ryals, Ethen
Schnelle, Aaron
Simmons, Chase
Trimble, Jacob
Barnes, Emberlynn
Bunnell, Bryce
Dodsworth, Emma
Durbin, Zackary
Halley, Trace
Kirklin, Gavin
Mathes, Hannah
Preston, Case
Ryder, Morgan
Seaton, Kaden
Smith, Faith
Trimble, Jade
Bondy Anthony
Coates, Bradley
Dodsworth, Erinn
Fernandez, Maggie
Hamilton, Dylan
Klindner, Crew
Mathes, Jordan
Ray, David
Salas, Arie
Seaton, Karley
Smith Hunter
Trimble, Jami
Bondy, Vannesse
DeVore, Clayton
Dodsworth, Hannah
Foster, Johnathan
Homann, Wyatt
Lutz, Elexa
Morgan, Ryder
Riediger, Trace
Salas, Mia
Shahan, Hillary
Tomlin, Sydney
Valentine, Reed

WHEP State Contest
April 18 - Register by April 10
Bradford Farm
East of Columbia

The WHEP State contest is open to any 4-H member. The contest has a Junior division and Senior division, so members 8 – 18 may participate.
More details available:
Registration via 4-H Online.
http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/wildlife/whep.htm

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS RULES UPDATE

The 2015 State Shoot Rules—have been posted on the shooting sports website. Every 4-H shooting sports member and leader should download and read. No major changes this year, but there are some revisions. Members are responsible for knowing the rules;
http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports/contests.htm
“Marshall the Miracle Dog”

A family movie opens soon in Missouri as part of 4-H’s partnership with Cyndi Willenbrock, author and producer of “Marshall the Miracle Dog” and founder of the Marshall Mentor program. The movie features strong anti-bullying and animal rescue themes, said Amanda Meek, University of Missouri Extension 4-H youth specialist.

The movie, adapted from Willenbrock’s award-winning children’s book, is based on the true story of a Labrador retriever and the bullied boy who rescues him. “The movie carries Marshall’s messages about not giving up five minutes before the miracle,” Meek said.

The Marshall Mentor program, through a yearlong MU Extension 4-H after-school program, gives older 4-H youth opportunities to use leadership and public speaking skills, Meek said. Younger kids are exposed to positive role models and learn how to deal with bullying.

There will be a pre-release screening of the movie March 7 at select theaters in Missouri. 4-H will receive 10 percent of the ticket sales on opening day and the Missouri 4-H Foundation Challenge will match that through its 4-H Youth Futures program. The movie will be on the big screen in the fall.

For more information, go to http://www.marshallthemiracledog.com/.


State 4-H Congress

June 3-5, 2015
University of Missouri Columbia, Missouri

Congress is designed for Missouri 4-H’ers ages 14-19. The Missouri State 4-H Council plans and implements the event that is held on the University of Missouri campus.

What You’ll Do at State 4-H Congress

- Learn the life skills of a super leader, connecting with experts in quality workshops and learning opportunities!
- Experience campus living – residence halls, cafeterias, classrooms, you name it!
- Elect your representatives on the State 4-H Council!
- Get to know other 4-H youth from across Missouri…and HAVE FUN!

Registration

The 2015 registration fee is $200.00 and registrations will be processed through 4HOnline. Registration deadline is April 15.
$500 Community Improvement Grants Available to 4-H & FFA Youth

Developing a thriving rural Missouri is important to FCS Financial. The Shaping Rural Missouri grant program offers Missouri 4-H and FFA organizations $500 grants to implement projects that will benefit their rural communities and youth development. Last year FCS Financial awarded 17 grants throughout Missouri. Each office will have the opportunity to select the winning grant from their area. Funds will be awarded to assist club or chapter members in bringing positive change by establishing projects that make their local communities better places to live. FCS Financial encourages applicants to collaborate with other community organizations to develop and complete their improvement project. Applications are due April 1. An application and more information on the Shaping Rural Missouri grant program can be found at https://www.myfcsfinancial.com/how-we-are-different/shaping-rural-missouri-grant/ or by calling Sarah Gehring at 573-636-7809 ext. 1173.

14th Annual 4-H Day with the St. Louis Cardinals

Missouri and Illinois 4-H members, parents, volunteers and alumni will gather at Busch Stadium on Saturday, May 16, 2015 for the 14th annual 4-H Day with the Cardinals. The National League Central Champion Cardinals will be playing the Detroit Tigers in a 1:15 p.m. game. Tickets for the game will be $25.00 each and includes a specially designed t-shirt. 4-H members, leaders, alumni, and their families who purchase 4-H Day with the Cardinals tickets will have the opportunity to participate in a parade around the Busch Stadium outfield. Pre-game ceremonies will include a recitation of the 4-H pledge and ceremonial first pitches by an Illinois and Missouri 4-H member.

Tickets for the event must be ordered on the 4-H Day with the Cardinals order form. Ticket order forms are available at the University of Missouri Extension office, or on the web. **Ticket orders must be postmarked by April 6, 2015.** Tickets usually sell out before the order deadline so families are encouraged to order early. 4-H Clubs, counties, or groups of families who would like to be seated together must send their orders in the same envelope. Families can also participate in the 4-H Day with the Cardinals raffle to win prizes such as throwing out the first pitch, autographed baseballs, and tickets to other Cardinal baseball games. Order form: [http://4h.missouri.edu/events/cardinals/](http://4h.missouri.edu/events/cardinals/)
Sink or Float?

Materials
Bucket filled with water; masking tape; string or garbage bag ‘twisties’; various objects (paper clips, spoons, marbles, ping pong balls, balloons…use your imagination!)

Directions
Drop different objects into the bucket; note how long it takes them to sink and note the differences. Drop several sinkers (marbles, paper clips, spoons) into the bucket. Then ask, “How might you float a sinker?” Drop the balloons or ping pong balls into bucket. Then ask, “How can we use this to make the sinker float?” Experiment with different ways to get the ‘sinkers’ to float: tape marble and ping pong together; tie marble to inflated balloon; make a paper clip ‘hook’, attach to balloon to help lift sinkers).

Missouri Sheep Producers Starter Flock Program
Goal: To provide a current Missouri 4-H or FFA member a grant opportunity to purchase ewes for a starter flock.
Reward: Up to three winners will receive a $600 grant to be used to purchase ewes from a current MSP member and work with this member in a mentoring program. The sheep purchased may be purebred, registered or commercial stock.
Applications are due to Scott Kaden by May 1, 2015 with the winners being selected by June 1. Details at www.missourisheep.com/youthprograms.htm. If you have any questions, please contact Scott Kaden, MSP Executive Director at 573-578-9801 or rollakadens@embarqmail.com.

March Birthdays

Aaron Schnelle March 1
Desirae Durbin March 21
Charli Ingersoll March 4
Aiden Ryals March 21
Joe Fermandez March 6
Olivia Vice March 21
Dalton DeVore March 7
Quincy Klingner March 22
Amy McLaughlin March 7
Toni Weekley March 22
Chase Simmons March 11
Hollister Spurgeon March 26
Bentley McCormack March 14
Jocelyn Valentine March 26
Adrienne Head March 15
Elexa Lutz March 27
Trace Halley March 20
David Ray March 29
What’s Going On!!!!!

March 30, 2015  SMQA, @ 4-H Building, 7:00 pm
April 6    Registrations for 4-H Day with Cardinals Due
April 10   Registration for WHEP State Contest Due
April 18   WHEP State Contest
April 15   Club Farm Families Nominations Due to Extension Office
May 1     Sheep Starter Flock Grant Due
May 16    4-H Day with Cardinals
May 23-29, 2015  Missouri 4-H Equine Tour
June 3-5   State 4-H Congress in Columbia
June 10-12, 2015  4-H Counselor Camp
June 22-25, 2015  4-H Camp – Troy MO
June 20-29, 2015  Washington Focus Trip
August 6 - 8, 2015  Lucerne Stock Show
August 13-23, 2015  Missouri State Fair
September 8-12, 2015  Putnam County Fair
October 21-November 1  American Royal in Kansas City

Mary’s Office Hours*
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
9am—3 pm each week
(*note: Although the posted work schedule will remain fairly consistent, there will occasionally be times
where Mary may not be in the office during posted times. Please remember, Mary’s position is limited to 20
hours per week. Any hours worked outside the posted work schedule, requires hours to be deducted from
the scheduled office hours.) Please feel free to call Mary at the Putnam County Extension Office (660-947-2705) or email odenm@missouri.edu. If you have an urgent need outside established office hours, you may
contact Mary via cell phone 660-216-2926.

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To the 4-H Family of: