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St. Charles County Edition

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Dates to Remember

December

- 1 BOAC grant applications post-marked by this date
- 4 County rabbit project meeting, 7 p.m.
- 10 Fair Board meeting, 7 p.m.
- 21 (noon) - January 1 - Office Closed

January

- 1 New Years Day - office closed
- 5 Healthy Living Training-Kirkwood, 10 a.m.
- 8 Poultry Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 14 Fair Board meeting, 7 p.m.
- 21 Martin Luther King Holiday - office closed
- 22 Junior Leader meeting, 7 p.m.
- 30 4-H Council meeting 7 p.m.

February

- 5 County rabbit project meeting, 7 p.m.
- 7 Swine Meeting
- 9 Shooting Sports Safety, 9 a.m.
- 11 Fair Board meetings, 7 p.m.
- 12 Beef Project Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 19 King and Queen demonstrations
- 22 Recognition Night, 7 p.m.
- 23 Mandatory Steer weigh-in



Annual Fair Fundraising Events

The St. Charles County Fair will be conducting its annual sausage sale again this year. Orders are due January 14th and pick up is January 26th at the Fair-grounds office between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. For an order form contact a fair board member. The Fair Board will be holding their Dinner Auction March 9th. It is not too early for 4-H clubs to begin talking about what they would like to donate to the Fair auction. Both of these events help make it possible for our Fair Board to have a County Fair.

4-H Fair Board Representatives

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Volunteer Enrollment Screening and Orientation

This is a friendly reminder that all 4-H volunteers should complete an annual background check and enroll in 4-H online. A one-time volunteer orientation is also required. See <http://4h.missouri.edu/volunteer.aspx#gsc.tab=0> for details. If you have questions or need assistance with the enrollment process, please contact Jan Brown for more information.

Recognition Night

Recognition Night is set for February 22, 7:00 p.m., at the Extension Center, 260 Brown Road, St. Peters. This important event is the time that 4-Her's are recognized for all of their hard work during the 4-H year. The Friend of 4-H and Alumni awards are also given out at this event. Everyone is welcome to attend.

State 4-H Teen Conference

Teen Conference is a fun-filled, two-day event for ages 11-13, planned by your State 4-H Council to promote belonging, independence, generosity and mastery by building confidence with a trip away from home in a safe and fun environment, creating opportunities to make many new friends from across Missouri, growing leadership skills through quality learning experiences, connecting youth with positive older teen role models, the State 4-H Council, and finding out about exciting future opportunities that await as a 4-H teenager.



Important Dates

- December 10, 2018 through February 1, 2019: Registration Open, via 4HOnline.
- February 2-10, 2019: Late registration period (\$50 late fee)
- February 11, 2019: Registration closed.

Registration on-site is not available: All youth must be pre-registered.

Cost:

- \$189 (for youth sharing a bed with a friend they select), or
- \$239 (for youth who prefer their own bed).

The St. Charles County 4-H Council provides scholarships for a limited number of teens to attend this conference. Preference will be given to teens that have not received a scholarship for this event in the past. To apply for one of these scholarships, you must complete a Teen Conference trip application and return it to the Extension Center **no later than January 2nd**. The scholarship application is available on our website <http://extension.missouri.edu/stcharles/documents/4h/forms/tripscholarshipteenconf.pdf> or you can contact the Extension Center and we can send you an application.

Regional Representatives Wanted

The State 4-H Council is an elected body of 4-H youth who serve one year. Council members help plan and carry out State 4-H Congress and State 4-H Teen Conference. They meet 5 to 6 times a year. Four 4-H members from each region will be elected to the State 4-H Council at State 4-H Congress in the summer, however the process starts now. Youth who wish to become a Regional Representative must submit an application form and letter to the Extension Center **no later than January 2nd. You must be age 14–17 as of December 31, 2018 to apply.** Visit the website or contact Dana for an application if you are interested. You will be called in for an interview at a later date. <http://mo4h.missouri.edu/missouri-4h-council.aspx#gsc.tab=0>

Other youth are eligible to apply for Regional Youth Liaisons to represent their communities to the Regional Representative. See <http://4h.missouri.edu/documents/State%204-H%20Council/CYLApplication2016.pdf> for more information.

State Congress Scholarships

The 4-H Council will provide three trip scholarships for State 4-H Congress which will be held May 29-31 at the University of Missouri Columbia. You must be 14 (as of December 31, 2017) to attend State Congress. To apply for

Council scholarships for this trip, complete a Trip Application cover sheet and submit it with a Report form by February 1. Please call if you have questions about this. Report Form guidelines and the trip application cover sheet is on our webpage <http://extension.missouri.edu/stcharles/4-h.shtml>

Shooting Sports Safety Class

We will be having a shooting sports safety class on February 9, 2018 at the Extension Center from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **If you are a new shooting sports project member this year, you must attend this shooting sports safety class.** Those attending will be required to sign in and sign out so that we know you attended the whole time. If you do not complete the whole class, you will not be allowed to shoot this year. The safety requirement is for all shooting sports disciplines, including archery. Since we will be going longer than noon, you may want to bring a sack lunch or some snacks with you. Lunch will not be provided. We will have ice water and coffee available and there is a soda machine available as well. Sodas are 50 cents.



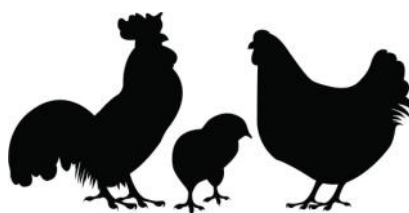
Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshops – Save the Date

2018 Spring Workshop: March 23-25, 2018 at Camp Jo-Ota in Clarence, Mo. Registration opens Feb 1

We are actively seeking additional shooting sports instructors in .22, shotgun and archery. Please remember you must be a fully activated volunteer in 4-H online in order to register for the upcoming workshop. Need help? Please call us and we will be glad to help get you started.

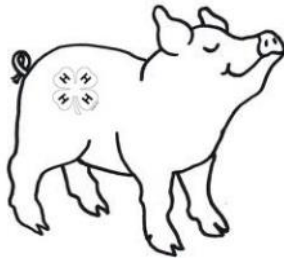
Poultry Meeting

There will be a countywide Poultry Meeting on Tuesday, January 8th - 7 p.m. at the Extension Center. This is an important meeting and all poultry project members should plan to attend. Parents are welcome also. Youth entering a “Market Chicken” at the fair must complete a 4-H Project Record Form (Y620) and submit it when you bring in your market chicken at the Fair. Any questions please contact the Poultry Superintendent Laura Alterson at alterson@centurytel.net. or 636-281-6808.



Swine Meeting

There will be a countywide swine project meeting, February 7, 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Center. All swine project members should plan to attend this important meeting.



17, in non-voting capacities (voting members must be at least 18 years old by Missouri State Statutes);

- support Extension councils in engaging more young adults, ages 18-25, in voting positions; and integrate youth-young adult participation into ongoing council leadership development.

ANIMAL WEIGH-IN DATES

Market Beef Weigh In

This is a reminder that the mandatory market beef weigh in and ear tagging will be held February 23, from 9:00 a.m. until noon at the St. Charles County Fairgrounds located in Rotary Park, Wentzville. The market steer or heifer must be at the weigh in and receive an ear tag in order for the 4-H member to show at the county fair in July. Please note - market heifers cannot be entered or shown in the beef breeding show. All beef project leaders are asked to contact Denny Meyer at 636-262-1460 for further information and to volunteer to help at the weigh in.

Swine Weigh In

The mandatory swine weigh in will be held April 27, from 8:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at the St. Charles County Fairgrounds located in Rotary Park, Wentzville.

Lamb Weigh In

The mandatory market lamb weigh in will be held May 4, from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. at the St. Charles County Fairgrounds located in Rotary Park, Wentzville.

4-H Council Meetings

The St. Charles County 4-H Council meets five times each year to plan county events, establish county 4-H policies, and oversee the 4-H budget. The Council is comprised of representatives from every club. Clubs are limited in the number of votes they have, however, anyone is welcome to attend the meetings. The 2018-2019 meetings are scheduled for October 17, January 30, March 27, May 29, and August 28. All meetings will be held at the Extension Center, 260 Brown Road, St. Peters, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Extension Council Youth Leadership Program

The Extension Council Youth Leadership (ECYL) Program supports County Extension Councils in diversifying their membership to include youth and young adults on councils.

The goals of the program are to:

- support Extension councils in engaging youth, ages 14-

Through ECYL, councils gain fresh ideas, new energy, and generational insights from youth and young adults. Having young people serve on councils leads to enhanced dialogue and decision-making, and increases council linkages to other youth and adults in the community. Interested? Contact us for more information.

Online Enrollment

The 4HOnline system is now available to enroll for the 2018-2019 4-H year. The link to this system is <http://mo.4honline.com> Since this system is used in many states, there are some things that may not be correct for Missouri and more specifically St. Charles County.

Please note the following:

Correspondence – The system defaults to a “mail” status for correspondence. St. Charles County does most all correspondence by email so be sure to enter your email address when entering your information.

Clubs joining – This system will allow you to join multiple clubs but for St. Charles county, you may only join one club.

Projects – The system allows for many projects to be entered. Please remember, for St. Charles County, you may have 3 projects if you are in your first year of 4-H and six projects if you are in your 2nd year or higher. Exploring, Leadership, Entrepreneurship and Shooting Sports Safety can be carried in addition to the above limits.

Enrollment dues – In order for your membership to become active, it is preferred that you pay the enrollment dues (\$20) by credit card when you enter your information in 4HOnline. If you elect to pay by check, your enrollment will not be active until I process your check. This will prevent you from participating in events until your membership is processed at the state office.

Equine Tour

Do you dream of combining your equine passion with a future career, love to learn more about the horse industry, and enjoy making new 4-H friends who share your love of horses? The University of Missouri Extension 4-H Annual Equine Career Tour may be just for you! The 2019 tour, May 20-28, will be exploring the horse industry in Missouri, Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana, Ohio and Canada

and is open to Missouri 4-H teens, ages 14-18. Tour highlights will include collegiate equine education departments, harness racing, visiting a variety of equine farms, meeting 4-H youth, and touring Mackinac Island. Participants will learn from leading equine professionals in the fields of equine therapy, dressage, entertainment, training, art, harness racing, equine facility management and equine welfare. In its thirteenth year, the tour has proven to be a great opportunity for participants to expand and clarify their possible equine related career paths.

The \$650 tour fee provides charter bus transportation, 4-H staff chaperones, and most all travel related expenses.

Applications are available at <http://4h.missouri.edu/equine-tour> and are due before March 1, 2019. Specific travel information with detailed tour itinerary will be available to participants after March 1.

For additional information, contact Debbie Davis, 816-866-9800, davisdd@missouri.edu.

Missouri 4-H Foundation Scholarships

College is expensive but 4-H can help! 4-H participation and involvement leads young people to explore various careers and educational options. The Missouri 4-H Foundation offers college scholarships that help 4-H members pursue their educational dreams.

In 2018 thanks to generous donor support, the Missouri 4-H Foundation will offer over 50 college scholarships (\$500 - \$2,500/scholarship). 4-Hers who are current high school seniors and former 4-Hers who are college students are eligible to apply. The scholarship guidelines and application is available on the Missouri 4-H website at <http://>

www.4h.missouri.edu/recognition/. Don't forget our very own Ruth and Jim Mellor Scholarship with special provisions for local youth!

Send completed applications to the Extension office by February 15 to allow time for processing. Applications are due in the State 4-H Office by March 1, 2018.

Check out the list of scholarships on the 4-H scholarship website and apply! The scholarship application format is almost identical to the 4-H Missouri Recognition Form (MRF) format. If you complete the MRF form, you've completed most of the narrative for the scholarship application, too.

Camp Changes for 2018

Our region, Urban East, met recently to discuss camp options for summer 2019. Due to a number of factors, many out of our control, we have made the difficult decision not to offer traditional overnight camp this year.

Instead, we have a grant to offer Healthy Living opportunities for summer 2019. More information to come on this exciting opportunity.

Healthy Living Grant Training for Youth Ages 12+

Are you over the ages of 12? Do you want to earn a stipend of \$160? Make plans to attend a training in Kirkwood (at the Kirkwood Extension Center, 132 E. Monroe Kirkwood, MO 63122) on January 5 from 10-4 to get ready for summer day camp. Please call 636-970-3000 with questions and to reserve your spot for January 5th. We need to know how much food to purchase. One additional training day will be held in the Urban East region, to be determined.



Support our funding – brick by brick

Brick by brick we continue to extend the pathway that meanders through the on-site demonstration gardens. It has become a place for all to enjoy the peacefulness and awe-inspiring beauty of nature. A brick with your name or the name of someone to remember extends the path one brick at a time. Your generosity will support the funding of all programs at MU Extension in St. Charles County. Together we can make a difference. [Brick order form \(PDF\)](#) | [Online ordering](#)

