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Dates to Remember

March

- 1 Camp registration due
- 5 Fair Board meeting, 7 p.m.
- 5 .22 Rifle orientation, 7 p.m.
- 6 County rabbit project meeting, 7 p.m.
- 10 Fair Board dinner auction
- 12 Project leader training, 6:30 p.m. - Extension office
- 15 Archery orientation, 7 p.m.
- 15 Club fundraising money due in the Extension office, 4:30 p.m.
- 24 Fun Festival
- 24-25 State 4-H Teen Conference
- 28 4-H Council meeting, 7 p.m.

April

- 1 4-H Council State Congress Scholarship applications due
- 3 County rabbit project meeting, 7 p.m.
- 9 Fair Board meeting, 7 p.m.

April - continued

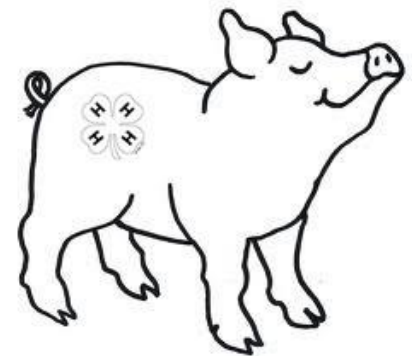
- 9 Cardinal Day ticket orders due
- 12 BB/Pellet orientation - 6 p.m. - practice site
- 24 Dairy Queen fundraiser, 5-9 p.m. Wentzville - Junior Leaders
- 24 Junior Leader Meeting
- 28 Swine Weigh-in, St. Charles County Fairgrounds

May

- 1 County rabbit project meeting and judging contest, 7 p.m.
- 1 Junior Leader scholarship applications due
- 1 Shooting sports scholarship applications due
- 1 4-H council scholarship applications due
- 5 Market lamb weigh in, 9 a.m.
- 19 4-H Day with the Cardinals
- 22 Junior Leader Meeting
- 28 Memorial Day Holiday, office closed
- 30 4-H Council Meeting

Mandatory Swine Weigh In—Note Changes for 2018

This is a reminder that there will be a mandatory weigh in and ear tagging for all swine, April 28, 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., at the fairgrounds. If you are planning to show swine at the St. Charles County Fair in July, you (or someone you designate) must bring your hogs to the weigh in and have them tagged on this day. Exhibitors may tag up to 3 hogs at the weigh in. The day of the swine show at the fair, you will decide which hog to enter in the market class and which hogs to enter in the carcass class. Each exhibitor may enter one market hog and one carcass hog. Market hogs may sell at the livestock auction. Carcass hogs will be shipped after the show. If you show up with your hogs at the fair without the proper ear tag, you will not be allowed to show. Contact Doug Roetger, Superintendent (dougroettger@centurytel.net) if you have questions.



Market Lamb Weigh In

There will be a mandatory market lamb weigh in and ear tagging held May 5 from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at the St. Charles County Fairgrounds located in Rotary Park, Wentzville. Market lambs 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. Exhibitors may tag up to four market lambs, however only two may be shown. Contact Sami Huber (shuber@murraystate.edu) if you have questions. All sheep project leaders are asked to help with the weigh-in. Nose printing will be done at this time also for market lambs that you plan to take to State Fair.

Show Me Quality Assurance

This is a reminder that all 4-H members enrolled in a food animal project (including beef, swine, dairy cattle, meat and dairy goats, rabbits, and poultry) must complete the appropriate level of the Show Me Quality Assurance certification in order to be in good standing in the project and be eligible to show at the fair. Many of you attended an SMQA training last year, or completed the on line version, however, depending on age, you may have to do this again. If you are not sure of your status, contact the Extension office. You can complete the on line tutorial, print off the certificate after you successfully complete the tutorial, and send it to the Extension Office for me to verify. The tutorial is available at www.agebb.missouri.edu/smqa Watch future newsletters for dates for face to face SMQA workshops.



2018 Fun Festival

We hope all of the clubs are busy preparing for the 2018 Fun Festival, which is scheduled for March 24, at the Extension Center, 260 Brown Road, St. Peters. This annual event is always a lot of fun with game booths, food, and the coronation of our 4-H King and Queen. The Fun Festival is co-sponsored by the St. Charles County 4-H Council and Junior Leader Club. Club Leaders were sent a letter with detailed information about the Fun Festival. Contact your club leader or the Extension office if you have questions. The money that clubs raise and submit to the 4-H Council will be used for the various items that the 4-H Council budgets for each year. This includes scholarships for 4-H members for various trips and educational events; training for leaders at local, state and national leader training workshops; awards that are presented to the 4-H members for their project work; to help 4-H members attend state and national contests; to pay for camp counselor training fees; the Junior Leader Club, and many more events and programs that the 4-H Council plans.

Schedule of Events For The Fun Festival - **NOTE TIME CHANGES!**

- 8:30 a.m. Set up committee meets at Extension Center
- 9:00 a.m. Clubs start setting up booths/

- 10:00 a.m. Food stand opens
- 11:00 a.m. Booths Opens
- 2:00 p.m. Booths Close (Must not be taken down before 2:00)
- 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Coronation Committee sets up and decorates for evening event
- 4:00 p.m. King and Queen candidates assemble in small meeting room
- Presentation of King and Queen Candidates & coronation

A reception with refreshments will be held for the newly crowned King & Queen immediately following the coronation

4-H Day with the Cardinals

Missouri and Illinois 4-H members, parents, volunteers and alumni will gather at Busch Stadium on Saturday, May 19, 2018 for the 17th annual 4-H Day with the Cardinals. The Cardinals will be playing the Philadelphia Phillies in a 1:15 p.m. game. Tickets for the game will be \$25.00 each and includes a specially designed t-shirt featuring the 4-H Clover on the back and the Cardinals emblem on the front.

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. As an added bonus the Cardinals give-away item for the game is a replica 1968 National League Championship ring. The first 30,000 fans age 16 and older will receive this one-of-a-kind item.

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 at <http://www.4h.missouri.edu>. Ticket orders must be postmarked by April 9, 2018. 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. Funds raised through the raffle support Missouri and Illinois 4-H pro-



grams. 4-H Day with the Cardinals has raised \$77,000.00 to support Missouri and Illinois 4-H programs in the first 16 years. Complete information about the 4-H Day with the Cardinals raffle is on the ticket order form.

Judging and Achievement Day

Save the date! Judging and Achievement Day will be held June 5th. Plans are underway for this annual event that includes judging, demonstrations, public speaking, fashion review, and grooming. Full details for this event will be included in future newsletters.

State 4-H Congress

The 73rd State 4-H Congress is scheduled for May 30-June 1 at the University of Missouri - Columbia. The State 4-H Council, in cooperation with the University of Missouri Extension 4-H Youth Development staff, is planning an exciting event. For three days, 4-H members will have the opportunity to expand their leadership, personal, and social horizons on the University of Missouri campus. Congress delegates must be 14 or older (as of Dec.31, 2017). The fee is \$225 and registration will be through 4honline after March 1. St. Charles County 4-H Council has limited sponsorship opportunities available. Applications can be found at <http://extension.missouri.edu/stcharles/documents/4h/forms/tripappcountyscholarship.pdf> and are due to the Extension Office by April 1.

Public Speaking Academy

The 4-H Public Speaking Academy is preparing for its seventh year! Extension faculty, along with 4-H volunteers will provide educational workshops to help youth build their skills and comfort with public speaking. Participants will be

guided through the basics and finer points of writing and delivering a speech. Youth will receive individual assistance. The camp is open to all youth 11-13 years of age interested in learning more about public speaking.

The Academy will be June 20-21, 2018 and registration is due May 17. Lodging will be provided on the campus of Central Methodist University in Fayette, Mo. The cost is \$100.

For more information, contact Patty Fisher at fisherp@missouri.edu or 573-324-5464 and be sure to download the brochure on the Missouri 4-H page at <http://4h.missouri.edu/public-speaking-academy/main>.

State Fair Updates

- State Fair DNA Card information for 4-Hers exhibiting barrows:
- Please see attached instructions and DNA Validation Card. DNA Card must be mailed to the Missouri State Fair, postmarked by May 15, 2018. Must be received by the Fair ten days following.
- Steer nose prints are due postmarked on or before March 15. Must be received by the Fair ten days following.
- Lamb and Meat Goat nose prints are due postmarked on or before June 15. Must be received by the Fair ten days following.
- The livestock entry deadline is June 29, 2018 (July 1 is a Sunday this year).



Club Corner

The **Twin Rivers 4-H Club** met at the Extension Center February 13 at 6 p.m. Amber shared information from the January council meeting. We broke out into our committees and talked about the fun festival. We had cookies and coco and played a game, where we exchanged wrapped candy. (Abbey Signorino-reporter)





4-H Move Across Missouri

901 youth and adults have enrolled in MOVE in 4-HOnline! 4-Hers and families can still enroll by May 1 to participate in the competition. As you know, MOVE promotes physical activity and encourages youths to engage in a broad range of activities such as walking, biking, running, swimming, dance, taekwondo, gardening and more.

Here is what youth and adults need to do to participate:

Enroll in the Move Across Missouri (MOVE) project (HF775) in 4HOnline in their profile. Enrollment in 4-H MOVE does not count as a part of county limits on projects.

Using a paper tracking system found on the 4-H website at: <http://4h.missouri.edu/4hmove/moveinfo>, youth and their families can “log” the number of minutes they accumulate throughout the year and during the competitive component of the MOVE program (scroll to the bottom of the website page and click “My Move Activity Log”). Record keeping through the paper tracking system is important because the competition period is from February 1 to April 30. Youth and families will submit their total number of minutes logged and activities (basketball, running, chores, etc.) throughout the 12 week competitive period between May 1 - 15 in 4HOnline.

MOVE awards are provided (sponsored by MissouriCare). For more information about 4-H MOVE visit - <http://4h.missouri.edu/4hmove/main>



Clovers & Congratulations

- ✿ To the Recognition Night Committee for all of their hard work organizing and conducting a very nice recognition event February 23rd.
 - ✿ To all of the 4-H members who received awards at Recognition Night
 - ✿ To all of the King & Queen candidates that gave demonstrations February 26th.
 - ✿ To Judy Stille and Lola Brand for judging the King & Queen demonstrations.
 - ✿ To Steve Nadler for receiving the Frank Graham Leadership Award.
 - ✿ To Kendall Dale and Sophie Zeier for receiving state excellence awards for their Missouri Recognition Forms!
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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](#)

