4-H Clubs

- **Show-Me 4-H Club** - meets once a month

- **Stoddard County 4-H Riders Club** - meets 2nd Monday of each month at the Mingo Saddle Club Arena @ 6:30

- **Advance Clovers 4-H Club** - meets 2nd Friday of each month at the Senior Center @ 7:00 pm.

- **Mingo 4-H Club** - meets once a month

- **Puxico Warriors** - meets once a month

- **Crowley Ridge 4-H** - meets once a month

- **Stoddard County Swine Club** - meets periodically

- **Star Banner 4-H** - meets 1st Monday of each month at the Faith Lutheran Church in Dexter.

Matt Agey 12/6 (Star Banner)
Jacob Holloway 12/12 (Star Banner)
Shelbi Miller 12/28 (Star Banner)

**Events Calendar**

- November 27/28 – Office Closed
- December 1 - Citizenship Washington Focus payment due/Legislative Academy
- December 5 – Project Records & Officer End of Year Summary’s due
- December 12 – 2015 Member online registration due
- December 19 – State Level I, II, III Recognition Forms due to local office
- December 21 – 4-H Day with the Rams
- December 28 – 4-H Day with the Chiefs
- December 31 – Enrollments Due
- January 9 – Energizer Deadline
- January 30 – Teen Conference forms due to county office
- February 14 – 4-H Regional Energizer, Kelly Schools
- February 16 – 4-H Council Meeting
- January 17 – Recognition Banquet
- March 6-8 – Youth Civic Leaders Summit, Windermere

March 28/29 – Teen Conference, Columbia, MO

**Join the Club**

Several have yet to enroll online. Please enroll soon to avoid paying the dues increase this month. If you need assistance or more information, please contact your local Extension office. Important things to remember are:

- Families MUST have an email address
- You MUST be enrolled in at least one project
- If your club pays your dues, please check the box that says a check will be paid by the county
- Members will not be fully enrolled until all payments have been cleared
- Volunteers MUST turn in paper forms as well as enroll, but members do not need paper forms
- If you are current on your tetanus vaccination, please include the date

To enroll visit: [https://mo.4honline.com](https://mo.4honline.com)
4-H members from Across Stoddard County are planning to attend the Wreaths Across America Ceremony on Saturday, December 13th at the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield. They would like to invite everyone to come help them remember and honor our veterans. The ceremony will begin at 11:00am.

“Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn’t pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same, or one day we will spend our sunset years telling our children and our children’s children what it was once like in the United States where men were free.” – Ronald Reagan

Enclosed is an information sheet and registration form for the Southeast Regional Energizer. The theme this year is 4-H Global. It will be held on Saturday, February 14th from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the Kelly Schools in Benton. The day will have workshops, games, food, dancing, and networking with 4-H members from the Southeast region. The cost is $20.00 per person and forms are due to the Cape office January 9th.

On March 28-29, grab your glove and take the field for the 2015 State 4-H Teen Conference! Your State 4-H Council teens are in the home stretch of making this another fun and exciting event for youth ages 11-13. This is the first big trip away from home for many delegates. You’ll learn how to be a better leader and get a heads-up on all the exciting things waiting for you as a 4-H teenager! You will register for Teen Conference at http://mo.4honline.com and information will be available at http://4h.missouri.edu/go/events/teconf/. Registration will be available in December and the county deadline is January 30, 2015.

Stoddard County 4-H Members will join forces once again with the Stoddard County Gospel Mission on Saturday, December 22 to help with their 2014 Christmas Basket distribution. They will meet at noon in Dexter at the Mission. They would like to extend an invitation to other youth organizations to come out and help. The mission is also looking for toy donations to place under the tree and given out that day as well. So grab your club members, friends, and family and help support a very worthy cause.
MFA Saddle Award

Sponsored by MFA Agri-Services Feed Division, the MFA Saddle Award is for Missouri 4-H members aged 14 years and older participating in the Missouri 4-H Horsemanship Program who demonstrate knowledge and skills in horsemanship and horse science, the ability to share the knowledge and skills with other members and a commitment to better their community. Applications are due December 29th. MFA Saddle Award application can be found at http://4h.missouri.edu/projects/curriculum/LG1400.pdf

4-H Move Across Missouri (MOVE) promotes physical activity by encouraging youth and families to engage in physical activities they enjoy such as walking, biking, running, swimming, dance, taekwondo, gardening and more. Using an online system, youths and their families can “log” the number of minutes they accumulate throughout the year. Sign up as an individual or as part of a team. MOVE awards will be provided. Sign up on the 4-H website at http://www.4h.missouri.edu/pro
Materials/Supplies per person
- ½ cup water
- Mixer
- 2 cups Ivory Snow Detergent (not liquid!)
- Toothpicks, buttons, sticks, beads, felt scraps, yarn, chenille sticks, etc.

Instructions
1. Mix Ivory Snow Detergent with water until it is a dough consistency (a mixer works well).
2. Right away, shape the dough into 3 different sized balls.
3. Use toothpicks to hold the balls together as you stack them.
4. Add the decorations – arms, scarf, hat, etc.