**STODDARD COUNTY 4-H**

**JULY NEWSLETTER**

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**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 @ 7:00pm.
- **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 the 1st Monday of each month at the Faith Lutheran Church in Dexter @ 6:00pm

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Madeline Ayers 7/23 (Star Banner)
Ethan Brittain 7/31 (Riders Club)
Luke Conner 7/16 (Swine Club)
Macy Graves 7/30 (Star Banner)
Sarah Harp 7/16 (Puxico Warriors)
Jacob Homer 7/01 (Star Banner)
Alyssa Jarrell 7/14 (Show Me)
Hunter Larsen 7/07 (Star Banner)
Ashton Long 7/27 (Crowley Ridge)
Jacob McMeans 7/03 (Puxico)
Colsyn Mills 7/16 (Star Banner)

**4-H DAY CAMP**

The deadline for Day Camp has been extended to June 30. It is scheduled for July 11 and the theme is Science. Camp will be held in Poplar Bluff and is for ages 6-11, ages 14-18 can apply to be counselors. For more information contact your local extension office.

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**Deadlines/Upcoming Events**

- **June 30**: Extended deadline for Day Camp Applications (ages 6-11)
- **July 1**: Entries for MO State Fair
- **July 15**: Nominations for SEMO Fair due to Extension Office (goat, sheep, pigs), MO State Fair Demonstrations
- **August 1**: State Shoot Deadline
- **August 15**: Fashion Revue
Stoddard County 4-H had four members attend the 2014 4-H State Congress on May 28-30. It was held on the MU campus in Columbia, MO. They were able to experience campus life as well as attend some very interesting and informative workshops such as Duct Tape Roses, Harry S. Truman and the Atomic Bomb, Interactive Theatre Performance, Vet School Admissions and Citizenship Learnshop where they were taken to the Capital in Jefferson City. Those were just a few of the many workshops available. We are so proud of these young ladies and would like to commend them for their participation and outstanding representation of our county at the state level.

We would also like to thank the Stoddard County Extension Council for their continued support of our program.

Online registration will close at 4 pm on Friday, July 25. Paper registration for September 20-21 events of the State Shoot are now available on the 4-H SS website. Paper registration for September 20-21 State Shoot is due to the State Office August 1. Details will be sent to local extension offices and will be posted on the website: http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports/contests.htm

If you plan to show livestock at the SEMO District Fair or the Stoddard County Fair, you must be SMQA certified. The Show Me Quality Assurance (SMQA)

Program is an education program designed to teach youth about good livestock management practices and the responsible use of animal health products. This certification can be completed online at: http://agebb.missouri.edu/smqa/

Please note: You will not be allowed to show if this is not completed.

4-H AND HUGHESNET WANT TO INSPIRE A FUTURE SCIENTIST

To continue growing future scientists, 4-H and HughesNet are excited to announce the Inspire A Future Scientist Video Contest. We are challenging youth to explore the wonders of science in just 15 seconds. Simply share a 15-second science video using the hashtag #4HFutureScientist or email us at 4hmarketing@4-h.org, and tell us why you love science. Participants could have the chance to win $1,000 and a trip to the 2014 4-H National Youth Science Day in Washington, D.C! Learn more and register now.
ATTENTION: 2014 4-H HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

The 4-H Alumni Study is a research study that is being conducted at the University of Missouri about your participation in 4-H Youth Development Programs. If you graduated high school in 2014, participated in Missouri 4-H at any time during grades 9-12, and you are currently at least 18 years old, you are eligible to join this study. The study will involve taking a total of 5 online surveys (one each year for 5 years) about your experiences in 4-H and other activities during your high school years. Each year’s survey will take roughly 30 minutes of your time to complete. If you choose to complete the 2014 survey, you will be entered into a drawing for one of four $50 cash prizes (in the form of a check). To participate in the study, please visit the link below or scan the QR code by Tuesday, July 15.

http://surveys.missouri.edu/missouri4H

If you have additional questions about the 4-H Alumni Study, please contact Kimberly Keller (OSEDA) at 573-882-7396 or KelerKJ@missouri.edu.

STATE 4-H FASHION REVUE

State registration due date is August 15 and the cost is $25 per person. The event will take place on September 13 on the MU campus in Columbia, MO. Registration and health forms are available at http://4h.missouri.edu/events/fashionrevue/.

SHOW-ME 4-H WALES (AND 4-H SALESMANSHIP CONTEST) AT THE MISSOURI STATE FAIR

The 7th Annual Show Me 4-H Wares booth is accepting applications May 1–July 1 for young entrepreneurs to sell their 4-H products and services at the Missouri State Fair on August 7, 8, 9, or 10, 2014. 4-H’ers who are not in the project can also apply to sell wares at the fair. Those who apply by July 15 will likely receive their preferred time slots. Last day that applications can be received is July 30. For more information, please contact: hennesss@missouri.edu

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Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever.
Mahatma Gandhi

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WATERMELON SLUSH

Supplies
- Watermelon
- 6 crushed ice cubes
- Knife
- Spoon
- Plastic bag
- Blender
- Rubber spatula
- Drinking glasses

Steps
1. Cut a watermelon in half with a knife (adult help).
2. Use a spoon to scoop out the pink part of the watermelon. You need about two cups of watermelon to make four slushes. (Be careful to remove seeds.)
3. Crush the ice by hitting ice in a bag.
4. Add the watermelon and crushed ice to the blender and blend for about 20 seconds.
5. Pour your Watermelon Slush into your glass and take a drink!