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.
- **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.

5 Teens from Stoddard County attended the 2015 4-H State Congress on June 3 - 5 which was held on the campus of the University Of Missouri in Columbia. The girls reported to have had an awesome time attending workshops, touring the campus and seeing old friends as well as making new ones. Congratulations to Emily Johns for interviewing for National 4-H Congress and being selected as an alternate!

We were very excited to have Stoddard County’s Laura Stickles elected as one of

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2015 State Congress

**Jacob Home 7/1**
**Jacob McMeans 7/3**
**Hunter Larsen 7/7**
**Alyssa Jarrell 7/14**
**Luke Conner 7/16**
**Rydder Jones 7/25**
**Ethan Brittain 7/31**
Southeast's 2015 4-H State Regional Representatives as well as Shantaria Bigham (Mississippi Co), Maria Calvert (Bollinger Co), Blake Kasten (Cape Co) and Jordan Collins (Scott Co). A big thank you to Laura's mom for taking the girls and serving as a chaperone during the trip. See more photos on our Facebook page.

We held our first Summer Program (Arts & Crafts) on June 17 at East Park in Dexter. Youth enjoyed making crowns and soda can covers for Father’s Day as well as Firework paintings for the 4th of July. Our next program is set for July 15 at Faith Lutheran Church in Dexter. Health and Fitness will be our topic. The programs are open to ages 5-13 and youth do not have to be enrolled in 4-H to attend. Please call the office (568-3344) or email brehmerm@umsystem.edu at least one week in advance to register.

Stoddard County 4-Her’s joined Butler, Bollinger, Oregon, and Ripley county 4-Her’s to attend Heartland 4-H Camp on June 26-28 at Camp Allen in Greenville, MO. Youth enjoyed activities such as Arts and Crafts, Geo Caching, Robotics, swimming and a waterslide just to name a
few. We want to thank all of our amazing counselors, volunteers, and presenters for helping out this year. Thanks to Dawn Miller for volunteering for the position of camp nurse. Without all of you 4-H Camp would not be possible. We are happy to announce that we will be returning to Camp Allen next year on July 14 – 16 for our 2016 Heartland 4-H Camp. Be sure to check out our Facebook page for more camp pictures.

4-H members planning to show animals at the Cape or Stoddard County Fair must complete the Show Me Quality Assurance (SMQA) certification in order to show. Members are required to complete this training twice before the age of 15 and once after. Cape County will be hosting an SMQA training on July 22 at 7:00pm in the lower level of the Cape Girardeau Extension office. Stoddard County will be hosting one on July 29 from 2:00pm until 4:00pm in Dexter (location TBA). Please RSVP to the location of your choice by Monday, July 20 so that we can prepare for the number attending. All 4-Her’s are welcome to attend.

Leaders if your club has participated in community service activities, it’s time to complete the attached Youth Service to Communities Form and turn in to your local extension office. The deadline to submit this form is September 1. If you have any questions, please contact the office at 568-3344.

Mash Camp

Don’t forget!! M*A*S*H Camp will be held on July 14 in Poplar Bluff. This camp provides hands-on educational experience to students who have an interest in health careers. The camp also helps to increase awareness opportunities in the health care field, promotes the importance of community involvement and provides a link between classroom learning and the health care work environment. Cost is $10 which includes Meals, t-shirt, and all activities. For more information visit: http://www.semoahec.org/mashcamp/. The application is attached to this newsletter. Deadline to register is July 8th.

If you plan to exhibit market swine, lambs or goats at the SEMO District Fair, you will need to submit a nomination form to the Cape County Extension Office by July 15th. Forms can be found at http://extension.missouri.edu/capegirardeau/4H.aspx

The SEMO District Fair Catalogs can be found online at www.semofair.com. Please read the book carefully for any
changes. Livestock entries will be due August 11th.

Babysitting Short Course

Register now for a free Babysitting course! The Butler County University of Missouri Extension Center and the Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center will offer a Babysitting Basics Short Course on Friday, July 17 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Poplar Bluff Municipal Library. The workbook, meals, and snacks are provided by the sponsors. Enrollment is open to girls and boys who are at least 10 years old through age 16. Topics to be covered will include: Accident Prevention, Emergencies, Nutrition, Advertising for Work, Understanding the Ages and Stages of Children, Techniques of Diapering, Playtime, and Caring for Babies and Toddlers. Please bring a doll or teddy bear to the class. Deadline to register is Monday, July 13. To enroll contact the Butler County University of Missouri Extension Center at 686-8064.

4-H Stories from the Heart

National 4-H is seeking stories of 1,000 words or less that are inspiring, funny, “tear jerkers” and more. They want heartfelt stories that document 4-H’s positive impact on your life or the life of someone close to you. Stories must be submitted as a Word document and emailed as an attachment to Dan Tabler at: dantabler2@gmail.com. Preference is single spaced and written in a 12- point font with 1 inch margins. Stories written in first person are usually best.

The "fall" Shooting Sports leader workshop has been moved to late summer. This time around the workshop will be at LifeChange Camp near Clinton. Registration will be via 4-H Online and is anticipated to open July 15. Workshop classes will close when the class size limits are reached and no later than August 15. Additional information, when available, will be posted to the 4-H Shooting Sports web site: http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports/workshop.htm

Happy 4th of July

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Toilet Paper Roll Firework Craft

What you’ll need:

- Toilet paper roll
- White paint
- Red and blue glitter glue
- Paint brush
- Red and blue streamers
- Yarn or string
- Scissors
- Scotch tape

How to make your Sponge Paint Fireworks Craft:

- Paint the toilet paper roll white and set it aside to dry.
- Once dry, use your glitter glue to decorate the toilet paper roll and set aside to dry.
- Cut streamers into 10-12 inch lengths, and then cut again vertically down the center (so they aren’t too wide). Use scotch tape to stick the streamers to the inside of the tp roll.
- Punch a hole in the top of your toilet paper roll for either a piece of yarn to go through so you can hang it up or stick a Popsicle stick through to make it a toy.