February 2014

4-H Lock-In

Where: Chillicothe YMCA
When: Friday, February 21 to Saturday, February 22
11 pm—6 am
Registration: $10 by 2/19, $15 after 2/19 or at the door
Who: Area 4-H members grade 6 and up
What to bring: athletic clothes, appropriate swimsuit, games, movies.
Come for a night of games, sports, movies, leadership and fun! This event will feature many activities sponsored by the Livingston County 4-H Council.
http://extension.missouri.edu/livingston/events.aspx

Mail or bring fee and health form to:
MU Extension
2881 Grand Dr., Suite 2
Chillicothe, MO  64601
For more information call 646-0811 (973-3444 on the day of event) or email: murphyse@missouri.edu
http://extension.missouri.edu/livingston/events.aspx

Contest Day is Almost Here!
Registration online and in the March newsletter.

When: March 15, 1—4 pm
Where: GRTS—1200 Fair St.
Events: Public Speaking

- Speeches
- Demonstrations
- Collections
- Photos
- Table Setting
- Clover Kid Activities

- Contest Day plaque will be awarded to club (min. 20 members) with the highest % of members/events participating in.

- Several opportunities for State Competition in public speaking and demonstration events.

Complete Contest Day guide online at:
http://extension.missouri.edu/livingston/events.aspx

For more info on speeches and demonstrations, go to http://4h.missouri.edu/events/
(Click “public speaking” on the left or “State Fair” to see demonstration guidelines)

Eggers and Dungy Selected to MO State 4-H Council Executive Team

Marcie Eggers will be running for Vice President, Nick Dungy will be running for Treasurer. Let’s make sure to have a large group go to State 4-H Congress to support them. Congratulations and best of luck!
Camp Counselor Applications

They are ready and out. Those 14 and older 4-H members can apply. Process includes three equally weighted components: Written application, Local 4-H staff recommendation, Interactions at the Council Selection Workshop (April 5 or 12th). Applications are DUE by March 1.
http://extension.missouri.edu/livingston/events.aspx

4-H Camp apps.—DUE May 9

Camp #1 dates are during the week of June 2-5. Camp #2 dates are during the week of June 9-12. Cost will be $110. Applications are online.
http://extension.missouri.edu/livingston/events.aspx

4-H MO Foundation Scholarship

Available in the office or on line:
http://4h.missouri.edu/recognition/scholarships/
Due in the County Office March 26.

State 4-H Photo Corps Announced

Congratulations to Liberty Cox, Echo Essick and Claire Rounkles for being selected to the 2014 State 4-H Photo Corps team. They will be working throughout the year to submit photos from across the state to the State 4-H database.

NEW—Litton Center Cleaning Schedule

In 2014, we are going to a new system where clubs choose jobs at the fairgrounds. We are fortunate to have the ag campus as a resource, and we have some great jobs that show we are valued partners. Talk to your club leader for details.

FACEBOOK USERS - Join “Livingston 4-H (Missouri)” for up to the minute updates on 4-H events and happenings. Check out State Fair happenings and pictures from summer events!

Happy February Birthdays!

Madalyn Howe 2  Tucker Wagers 13  Ava Dennis  23
Julia Minnis  3  Sarah George  13  Caroline Warren  25
Liberty Hoerr  3  Hannah Dominique  14  Carlee Johnson  25
Alexis Bonderer  5  Benson Summers  14  Remi Berger  26
Leanna Smith  6  Ciara O’Neal  14  Kennedie Kieffer  26
Nicklaus Dungy  6  Emma Thompson  15  Amanda Waits  26
Tristin Harrison  7  CJ Pfaff  18  Seth Graves  26
Avery Baxter  7  Carson Anderson  19  Jacob Roney  27
Brady Bothwell  9  Dawson Dennis  19  Shawn Hapes  27
Brittany Derickson  9  Sarah Boon  19  Kinley Muck  28
Nathan Toole  9  Charley Peniston  19  Dilyn Ulmer  28
Devyn Kennedy  11  Jason Ralls  22
MISSOURI SHOW ME QUALITY
ASSURANCE (SMQA)
March 17, Trenton 6-7:30
April 3, Chillicothe 6-7:30 pm
Call 646-0811 to register.

By June 1st, all 4-H members enrolled in food animal projects (including beef, sheep, swine, dairy cattle, meat and dairy goats, rabbits, and poultry) must complete the appropriate level of SMQA certification to be considered in good standing. Youth must attend 2 consecutive years between the ages 8-13 and once after age 14. So How Do I Complete SMQA?

If unable to attend, youth may also complete online certification at: http://agebb.missouri.edu/smqa/

4-H & FFA BEEF STEER NOSEPINTING / WEIGH-IN

The Livingston County 4-H & FFA Beef Steer Nose printing & Weigh-in is set for Saturday, March 8th at Dr. Young’s. To participate in the rate-of-gain contest at the 4-H & FFA Fair you must have your animal weighed at this time. IF YOU ARE ATTENDING THE MISSOURI STATE FAIR WITH YOUR STEER/MARKET HEIFER IT SHOULD BE NOSEPRINTED AND TATTOOED. “All steer & market heifers must have a legible ear tattoo that matches the registration certificate to show in breed classes. Steer and market heifers without proof of registration will be shown as a crossbred.”

Need 4-H Curriculum? The Extension Office has a library of curriculum available for checkout! Contact the office or stop by for more information.

MO Pork Expo
When: February 11-12
Where: Columbia
Cost: Free! Includes a youth tract.
http://www.mopork.com/events_missouriporkexpo.asp

4-H/FFA OWNERSHIP OF ANIMALS

One of the objectives in owning an animal is to learn new skills in animal breeding, feeding, management and health. To accomplish this, the member should secure the animal as early in the year as possible. Livestock shows and exhibitions set up minimum dates for length of ownership necessary for exhibiting.

Beef Cattle - Steers 3/1 Breeding Animals 6/1
Sheep - Breeding Animals 7/1 Market Lambs 6/1
Swine - Breeding Gilts 90 days
Breeding Boars Since farrowing Market Hogs 5/1
Dairy Goats - 6/1 Meat Goats - 6/1
Dogs - 4/1
Horses - 5/1
Rabbits - 6/1 Meat pen 5-10 weeks prior to show
Poultry - 6/1 Meat pen 8-10 weeks prior to show
4-H Move Across Missouri

Sign up today, activity logs due May 10!

4-H Move Across Missouri (MOVE) promotes physical activity by encouraging youths and families to engage in physical activities they enjoy such as walking, biking, running, swimming, dance, taekwondo, gardening and more. ALL YOUTH WILL GET A FREE PRIZE AND CERTIFICATE! County/state winners (individual and club) receive a cash prize.

Using a PAPER TRACKING SYSTEM this year, youth 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. Sign up on the 4-H website at http://www.4h.missouri.edu/programs/move/

Equine Trip

Are you dreaming of combining your equine passion with a future career, interested in learning 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 Tour may be just for you! The 2014 tour, May 20-26, will be exploring the horse industry in Nebraska, Wyoming and Colorado and is open to Missouri 4-H teens, ages 14-18. Tours will include collegiate equine education departments, working cattle and horse ranches, and a possible Colorado trail ride. Participants will learn from leading equine professionals in the fields of equine therapy, entertainment, outfitters, training, art, rodeo, saddle making, and equine welfare. Trip fee is $600 and due before March 1. Applications online at http://mo4h.missouri.edu/events/horse/

NW Horse Judging Workshop

Saturday, February 8, Kearney, MO.

Registrations available:
www.extension.missouri.edu/clinton

Part of those who attended the NW Energizer on January 25th in Hamilton. Echo Essick interviewed for Regional Report Form selection and will be going on to State Judging. Best of Luck Echo.

Shooting Sports Certification Workshop

Now accepting pre-registration for the spring Leader Certification workshop held March 28-30. Additional information and registration forms can be found on the 4-H Shooting Sports web pages: http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports/workshop.htm Pre-registration due no later than March 15. But don’t delay, this workshop fills fast. Registrations accepted on first-come, first-served basis.

ALSO: March 14-16
4-H Western Heritage & Cowboy Shooting Workshop (Tentative) Bolivar, MO?

4-H PROJECT BRIEFS

Looking for a way to get started on your new project? The Project Briefs were written for both leaders and members as a supplement to the 4-H project curriculum & offer project ideas, meeting suggestions, demonstration ideas, tours, and more! Project briefs are being developed for each project and will be posted as they are developed. Project briefs are on-line at the Missouri 4-H Website.

http://4h.missouri.edu/projects/briefs/
4-H Volunteers

Must: 1) Fill out Volunteer Application Annually

2) Complete volunteer orientation 1-time

Multiple Options for Volunteer Orientation

Missouri 4-H volunteers are required to take a one-time volunteer orientation. 4-H Volunteers are required to submit a 4-H Volunteer Application annually. Once both requirements are met, volunteers receive an approval notice, and may begin working with youth.

Volunteer Application

http://4h.missouri.edu/resources/materials/docs/LG636FILL.pdf

Or, you may contact the Extension Center for a form. 660 265-4541

Online

Begin Here:
http://4h.missouri.edu/getinvolved/volunteer/

Print Version

Contact the office. We can assist by providing or mailing.

Shooting Sports 740 Safety Class

Shooting Sports Safety—all shooters must complete this one time safety training, have completed safety training in previous years or have their Hunter’s Safety card before they are allowed to shoot.

Livingston County’s training is:

March 1 from 12:30 pm—6:30 pm

437 Locust St., RSVP by February 27

Register by calling 646-0811.

If you cannot attend, you must make alternate arrangements or youth will not be allowed to shoot.

Alternate Training: Andrew County, 2/22 at 8:30.

Litton Project Grant

How would you like a cash award to expand or start your 4-H project? Here’s your chance! Applications are available at:

http://extension.missouri.edu/livingston/events.aspx.

Applications are due March 1st, so don’t wait!

Wildlife Habitat Education Program – Revival

Plans are underway to re-introduce the 4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Program (WHEP) in 2014. 4-H members and volunteers with an interest in the great outdoors; it’s wildlife, habitat, and the management of that wildlife and habit are encouraged to participate. WHEP is a contest-based educational activity that helps youth understand basic concepts of wildlife management science.

Any 4-H member in any 4-H project may participate, though members enrolled in the natural resources projects such as Wildlife, Forestry, Hunting & Outdoor Skills, Amphibians and Reptiles and Exploring Your Environment may find it particularly appealing. The main study resource is the National WHEP Manual - http://www.whep.org/National_WHEP_Manual.html You can download and begin the learning process now.

March 8 - WHEP Workshop for adult volunteer leaders and youth

April 26 – State WHEP contest

July 27-30 – National WHEP Contest – Columbia, MO

So, if you are an interested 4-H member, get busy recruiting other 4-Hers and a leader/coach. If you are an adult with an interest in wildlife, start recruiting 4-H members. Some information is available now on the 4-H Wildlife web page; more will follow. http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/wildlife/whep.htm
Upcoming Workshops

Rabbit and Poultry Workshop  
February 8th at the Litton Center  
Poultry—10 am 12 noon  
Poultry Care and Health  
Poultry Breed and Showing  
Broiler Raising and Showing  
**Rabbit—1 pm—3 pm**  
Rabbit Care and Health  
Meat Pen Raising and Showing  
Rabbit Breeds and Showing  
Rabbit Showmanship

Swine and Bucket Calf Workshop  
March 22nd at the Litton Center  
Showmanship  
Care and Health  
Breeding  
Show Selection  
Vet Session  
Feed Management

Check out the county web page:  
http://extension.missouri.edu/livingston

For the newsletter, entry forms, and other 4-H information.