Greetings from Michele

It’s winter and cold. This would be a great time for kids to work on their project reports and demonstration skills. Projects should be up and running with lots of fun, enthusiasm and learning. There are many ideas available for project leaders that can be found under projects on the 4h.missouri.edu webpage. Any questions about events, fair, camps, scholarships or anything 4-H related please contact me. Happy Valentine’s Day!

Until next time,

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Upcoming Dates:

February 2014

- RESCHEDULED Miller County Market Beef Weigh-in 8-10 AM
- 15 Meats Judging Contest
- 23 Activity Night 4:30-6:30

March 2014

- MO State Fair Noseprints
- 15 State Horse Judging Contest
- 20 4-H Foundation Scholarship
- 21-23 Horsefest
- 31 SMQA Training @ the Miller County Extension Office

For information on registration forms and deadline dates please go to:

http://extension.missouri.edu/camden

Miller County Fair July 22nd—26th, 2014

- Market Beef weigh-in February 15, 8-10, Fairgrounds
- Market Swine weigh-in May 3, 8-10, Fairgrounds
- Market Sheep/Goat weigh-in May 17, 9-10, Fairgrounds
- 4-H Projects Check in: July 20th, 4-H Building
- Bucket Calve, Sheep & Goat Show: July 22nd, 5 pm
- Swine Show: Wednesday, July 23rd, 6:30 pm
- Livestock Judging Contest: Thursday, July 24th 10 am
- Beef Show: Thursday, July 24th, 6:30 pm
- Poultry and Rabbit Show: Friday, July 25th, 9 am
- Buyer Dinner: Friday, July 25th, 5-7 pm
- Livestock Sale: Friday, July 25th, 7 pm
- 4-H Project pick-up: Friday, July 25th, after 8 PM

Please send photo’s or a report of what your club is doing so that we can highlight it in the newsletter!
Who we are

Our mission
Engaging youth as valued, contributing members of their communities in partnership with caring adults.

Our vision
A world in which youth and adults learn, grow and work together for positive change.

- 4-H is for all youth in both rural and urban settings.
- 4-H is one of the largest youth organizations in the United States.
- 4-H youth programming results in competent, capable, caring, contributing youth.

STATE HORSE JUDGING CONTEST

The State 4-H Horse Judging Contest will be held on Saturday, March 15, 2014, at the Trowbridge Livestock Pavilion, UMC campus, Columbia. The contest offers competition for both junior and senior teams. Counties may enter unlimited junior (ages 8-13 as of Jan. 1, 2014) and senior teams (ages 14-18 as of Jan. 1, 2014) comprised of no more than 4 members and no less than 3 members. Entry registrations are due to the Extension Office by Friday, February 7, 2014. There is a $15 per person entry fee. For more information, contact the Extension Office.

HORSEFEST

3001 N. Grant, Springfield, MO 65803
March 21, 22 & 23, 2014

Wind and Air

Supplies:
Ping Pong balls
Straws
Table

What you do:
Place ping pong balls on the table. Have children stand on all sides of the table. Challenge them to see how fast they can get all the ping pong balls off the table by working together. Encourage them to share and try different ideas.

Camden COUNTY
HORSEMANSHIP
COMMITTEE CHAIR
NEEDED

We are looking for a volunteer to step up and take the reins (pun intended) for the 2013-2014 4-H year. The committee usually meets in January to make plans for the horse show season, fun shows, vet clinics and other horse related activities.

If you are interested in chairing the committee, please let the Extension Office know. (573-346-2644)
2014 STATE 4-H
SPORTFISHING DAY

Save the Date! State Sportfishing Day to be held May 31, 2014, at Little Dixie Lake Conservation area. Little Dixie Lake Conservation area is 467 acres which contains a 205 acre lake. This site is located in Callaway County between Fulton, MO and Columbia, MO and allows for both shoreline fishing and boats to be launched. There will be a fishing derby, casting contest and skill-a-thon activities at the event. Sportfishing leaders must complete the required leader qualification and youth must be enrolled in 4-H Sportfishing projects to participate. More information found at: http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/sportfishing/

Huh???
“How did I know that???”
“I read it in my Clover Connection.”

Be sure to read your monthly issue of 4-H Clover Connection to keep up with 4-H happenings and events. The newsletter is also on-line (in color) at the following website: http://extension.missouri.edu/camden/4h.aspx

WHAT'S NEW WITH 4-H ROBOTICS?

Have you had a chance to experience the Junk Drawer Robotics curriculum? The goal of 4-H Junk Drawer Robotics is to make science, engineering, and technology engaging and meaningful in the lives of young people. Throughout the activities, youth are challenged to build robots from everyday items. The 4-H Robotics Curriculum is comprised of four books and 2 CDs; each is designed to meet the diverse requirements of 4-H clubs, after-school programs, individual youth, and school enrichment activities. The curriculum was developed for all levels of expertise. Learn more about the Robotics Curriculum by visiting the 4-H Mall.

SHOOTING SPORTS CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP

Dates and location for the spring Shooting Sports Leader Certification workshop are set: March 28-30, Camp JoOta near Clar- ence, MO.

Look online at: http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports/workshop.htm

SAVE THE DATE

WHAT IS FILM FEST 4-H?
FilmFest 4-H is a national 4-H film festival, strictly for youth. Like any major film festival, there are screenings, workshops lead by film industry professionals, and much more!

WHERE DOES IT TAKE PLACE?
FilmFest 4-H takes place in Missouri, right in the middle of the country. The exact location will be revealed in 2014.

WHO ATTENDS?
4-H youth who are age 11-18 and interested in filmmaking. Each group needs a chaperone. FilmFest 4-H is a “commuter event,” so transportation, lodging and some meals are on your own.

WHO HAS ATTENDED?
4-H groups from Arkansas, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Wisconsin, Wyoming...and more.

WHERE DO I FIND OUT MORE?
Check out the web page, at http://4h.missouri.edu/filmfest
Missouri 4-H Food Quality Assurance Policy:

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 MSQA certification to be considered a 4-H member in good standing in that project. Other county good standing guidelines may also apply. Guidelines and online training on Missouri 4-H Website at http://4h.missouri.edu or attend.....

SMQA Training
Miller County Extension Office
March 31st 6 PM
This presentation is hands on and is sure to be FUN!

Upcoming Event:

Miller County 4-H Activity Night
Eagle Lanes Bowling Alley
914 Hwy 42, Osage Beach
February 23, 2014 4:30-6:30 $5 each