Greetings

My name is Elaine Anderson and I am the new 4-H Youth Development Specialist for Miller, Maries and Pulaski County. A bit about myself. I have been involved in 4-H all my life. My mom started our 4-H club in Osage County and because of my great experiences when I was in 4-H, I became active with Jasper County 4-H once my kids became 4-H age. I eventually became a 4-H club leader and was on the local 4-H council. About 10 years ago, we moved to California MO and we continued 4-H in Moniteau County. I eventually started a teen council and was an officer on the local 4-H Council. I am married and have 2 children, Emily and John. My husband, Robert, works for USDA-AMS division. Emily is a graduate of Northwest Missouri State University and works for the Missouri Department of Agriculture. John is a junior at Mizzou majoring in Ag Business. Both kids were 11 year members of 4-H and received the Key Award. While in 4-H, they took the opportunity to see Washington DC and attended National 4-H Congress in Atlanta GA, in addition to going to many of the state activities. I was also a member of the local and regional extension councils. I am excited to join the extension staff and hope to meet everyone soon.

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Upcoming Dates:

June
7...State Poultry Day
9-11 4-H Photography Camp
11-14 Pulaski County Fair
12-14 Shooting Sports Camp
15..Missouri State Fair: Lamb Nose Prints
23-26 4-H Camp, Cloverpoint
24-28 Tri-County Fair

July
1 Deadline for State 4-H Horse Show
4 Offices Closed
14 Missouri State Fair Demonstration Forms Due
17-19 Belle Fair
22-26 Miller County Fair
20 Miller Co. 4-H Exhibits Check-In
25 Miller Co. ALL 4-H building items MUST be picked up after 7 PM

Maries Co. Achievement Day
June 1
2 pm
Youth Building Vienna City Park

Belle Fair
July 17-19

Exhibit check-in
Tues, July 15 4 pm

Miller County Fair Dates: July 22-26

4-H Building Exhibits Check-In—Sunday, July 20 from 1-3 pm
Bottle Calf and Sheep/Goat Show—Tuesday, July 22, 5 pm
Hog Show—Wednesday, July 23 6:30 pm
Livestock Judging Contest—Thursday, July 24 10 am
Beef Show—Thursday, July 24 6:30 pm
Rabbit Show—Friday, July 25, 9 am
Poultry Show—Friday, July 25 11 am
Buyer’s Dinner—Friday July 24 5:30 pm
Livestock Auction—Friday, July 24 7 pm

Mu Extension is an EEO/AA Institution
Tri-County Fair Dates: June 24th-28th, 2014

- Achievement Day: June 23rd; 4:30-6:30 pm
- Tri-County Fair—Community Building
- All projects will be conferenced judged and state fair projects will be selected. If members do not participate in achievement day they can still take their projects to the fairs but will not be state fair eligible. Project check-in is June 25th from 2-4 p.m.

Lamb Show: Wednesday, June 25th, 3 pm
Hog Show: Thursday, June 26th, 3 pm
Steer Show: Friday, June 27th, 10 am

4-H Scholarship Winners

Taylor Murray
Circle A 4-H Club

Taylor Atkinson
Spring Garden 4-H Club

Congratulations ladies!

http://4h.missouri.edu/go/events/statefair/
Missouri State Fair 4-H Information
http://www.mostatefair.com/home
Missouri State Fair

Pulaski & Camden County Achievement Day!
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- Tri-County Fair—Community Building
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SHOW-ME 4-H WARES (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, 2014 for young entrepreneurs to sell their 4-H products and services at the Missouri State Fair on August 7, 8, 9 or 10, 2014.

2014 AEROSPACE CAMP AT MISSOURI S&T JULY 15-17

This is an exciting, action packed three day camp which will focus on what it takes to become an astronaut. The cost of the camp is $275 and includes lodging, meals, fun activities, program tee shirt and back-pack. The final camp note activity is a simulation of a trip to space. For more information:

Miller County Fair Cleanup
Saturday, June 28 or July 12
8-12 am
Any help is appreciated!

4-H Adventure Camp!

June 23-26th $115
Still have openings.
Exhibiting 4-H Projects: Exhibits are one way young people show what they have learned and accomplished through 4-H.

County fairs, demonstration days, contests help provide places for 4-H members to showcase their work.

Guidelines:
- Exhibits should be 4-H member’s own work
- Exhibits should demonstrate the knowledge gained by the member for the specific project they are enrolled in.
- The exhibit should be made and completed in the current program year.

WHAT DO THE RIBBONS MEAN ANYWAY?

Blue, Red, White... that’s 1st, 2nd and 3rd, right? Well, not exactly...

The Danish System, or the “Group Method” of placing ribbons in exhibits has judges looking only at what the exhibitor accomplished in relation to learning about the project, not in competition with others in the same project. So, all project members can receive a Blue ribbon as opposed to a 1st, 2nd or 3rd. The important aspect of Danish placement of ribbons is that the exhibitors are measured against standards, not ranked against others. More than one can realize success. We often think in these terms mostly with school grading systems, which is the Danish System. In Danish, your fellow exhibitors are hoping you succeed, not hoping you fail. Danish doesn't reward everyone it encourages everyone! If you have worked hard to meet tough standards, you receive the recognition you deserve, even if you didn't beat everyone else. You didn’t need to. You just needed to set goals, work hard to meet those goals.

The Danish System of placing ribbons then goes hand in hand with the motto of 4-H to “Make the Best, Better”. The Danish System of awarding ribbons then, encourages youth to do his or her best in the project area. So when you see many blue, red and white ribbons throughout exhibits, remember you’re seeing the Danish System of ribbon placement and in the Danish System everyone is recognized for what they have accomplished!

So, during conference judging when you hear a judge ask, “What did you like about this project?” or What made you want to explore this subject?”, they truly do want to know. It helps them understand your goals, what you learned and how that compares to the standard in that project within your age group. So...think- Blue, Red and White when you think about 4-H project judging.

(adapted from “What is the Danish System of Judging” by Ina Linville.)

Basic Livestock Clinic
Saturday, June 14
8-10 at
Miller County Fairgrounds
For novice showman
Will review:
Proper show ring etiquette
Basic grooming techniques
This will be done with live animals.

VOLUNTEER'S 4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my head to give children the information I can, to help them see things clearly and to make wise decisions.

I pledge my heart to encourage and support children no matter whether they have success or disappointments.

I pledge my hands to help children’s groups; if I cannot be a leader, I can help in many equally important ways.

I pledge my health to keep children strong and well for a better world through 4-H, for children’s groups, our community, our country and our world.
Registration is open for students 12 and older to try on careers and learn during Summers @ Mizzou. The annual program, sponsored by the University of Missouri Extension 4-H Center for Youth Development, gives students an opportunity to learn and explore the campus during these weeklong residential camps in July. Sessions during the week of July 13-17 include:

- **The Stress of Life.** Science buffs will learn to use smartphone apps and scientific instruments to collect data on how humans and animals experience and handle stress from their environments. Students will then analyze the data and prepare presentations.

- **Through Artist's Eyes: A Studio Experience.** Artists will explore their creativity using different techniques taught by MU professors, educators, professional artists and students who are passionate about art. There will be tours of galleries and museums as well.

- **Build-a-Business.** Young would-be entrepreneurs gain tips on creating their own microbusinesses and earning their own income.

- **Scrub into a Health Career.** Campers will explore different health career options, listen to guest speakers and spend time at the University Hospital. (Sessions during the week of July 20-24 include):
  - **Future Internet Apps to Build Your Career.** Students will learn basic programming to develop apps for Android phones to stream videos from popular multimedia sites.
  - **Meet the “Big Muddy” Missouri River Academy.** Water and wildlife lovers will learn about ecology, history and biology of aquatic life in the river ecosystem. As part of the Stream Team program, students will learn about managing floodplains and wetlands, and experience some hands-on learning.
  - **Dog Days of Summer.** Anyone considering a career in veterinary science will get a chance to practice lab skills, operate on mock patients and observe veterinarians as they work.
  - **GeoTech.** The latest geospatial technology will keep students on their toes as they geocache and create “mashups” on Google Earth. Students will use the geographic laboratory to plot data on maps from cave explorations and other outings.

For more information, follow Summers @ Mizzou on Facebook at Facebook.com/Summers.Mizzou, contact Teresa Bishop at 573-884-0554 or visit 4h.missouri.edu/programs/summers.