COMING EVENTS

REGION
February 4: Regional Energizer, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Union

LINCOLN
January 10: Teen Leaders, 7 p.m., Extension Center
January 10: Steer meeting, 7 p.m., Fairgrounds
January 11: Hog meeting, 7 p.m., Fairgrounds
January 16: Rabbit meeting, 7 p.m., Extension Center
January 17: Sheep meeting, 7 p.m., Extension Center
January 20: Poultry meeting, 7 p.m., Extension Center
January 24: 4-H Council Committee Workshop, 6 p.m., Extension Center
January 24: 4-H Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Extension Center
January 30: New Family Orientation, 7 p.m., Extension Center
January 31: Shooting Sports Leaders, 7 p.m., Extension Center
February 11: Steer weigh-in, 8-10 a.m., Fairgrounds

MONTGOMERY
January 12: 4-H Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Montgomery City Library
February 4: Shooting Sports Safety Class (SS740)
February 11: Steer Weigh In, 8-10 a.m., Fairgrounds

WARREN
January 3: Water Bath Canning Project, 4 p.m., Extension Office
January 3: 4-H Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Extension Office
January 6: Horse/Horseless Horse Project, 6 p.m., Wasser Farms
January 9: Dog Project, 5:30 p.m., Extension Office
January 9: Rabbit Project, 7 p.m., Extension Office
January 10: Crochet Project, 4 p.m., Warrenton Library
January 15: Hiking Project, 1 p.m., Reifsnider State Forest, Warrenton
January 16: Citizenship, Leadership and Communication Project Meeting, 5 p.m., Harton Senior Living
January 20: Scrapbooking Project, 6 p.m., Extension Office
January 21: Scrapbooking Project, 9 a.m., Extension Office
January 23: Dog Project, 5:30 p.m., Extension Office
Enclosed with this newsletter is an example of how to complete a project record. It is due September 1. You will not receive your year pin unless you turn in at least one. Please take the time to fill these out so you can complete the 4-H year. Please note: we get a lot of these turned in with just the 4-H member’s name and nothing else filled out; that is not acceptable!!

**OPPORTUNITIES**

4-H Scholarships
College is expensive but 4-H can help! 4-H participation and involvement leads young people to explore various careers and educational options. The Missouri 4-H Foundation offers college scholarships that help 4-H members pursue their educational dreams.

4-H’ers who are current high school seniors and former 4-Hers who are college students are eligible to apply. More scholarship information can be found at the Missouri 4-H Foundation website at [https://extension.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-4-h-foundation/scholarships](https://extension.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-4-h-foundation/scholarships). **Applications are accepted after January 1, 2023 and must be submitted on or before March 1, 2023.**

Animal Project Members
For all State related events and information, go to [http://4h.missouri.edu/](http://4h.missouri.edu/). Click on Projects & Opportunities, Projects, Plant & Animal Science.

Shooting Sports Members
Are you in Shooting Sports? You can find information for all State Shooting Sports related events at [http://4h.missouri.edu/](http://4h.missouri.edu/). Click on Projects & Opportunities, Projects, Shooting Sports.

Attention Club Leaders
Lincoln County Extension Office has three DVD’s available to show at club meetings. They are how to give a demonstration, singing at your 4-H club meeting, and 4-H judging. Call the office at 636-528-4613 to check them out.

Regional Representatives
Teens who care about 4-H may want to serve on the Missouri State 4-H Council. The council is an elected body of youth that plan Teen Conference and State 4-H Congress and serve as a voice for Missouri 4-H. If you are 14-17 years of age, a member in good standing, and completed the previous year of 4-H work, you may run for a Regional Representative position. An application form along with a letter stating why you want to serve on the State 4-H council is due to your County Extension office by January 13.

Horse Ownership
Each Exhibitor must own or manage all horses shown beginning no later than May 1 of current year. Ownership is desired, but not required. Management is defined as the animal being under the complete care of the 4-H member for the time they are enrolled in the project. Also, horses shall not receive professional training, showing or handling after May 1 of the current year.

Regional 4-H Energizer
Members and adults – Mark your calendar to attend the 2023 Regional 4-H energizer on February 4th from 9 a.m to 4 p.m at the Franklin County Resource Center in Union. Cost is $10.00 per person with lunch provided. Sessions will focus on career readiness and leadership. Watch for more information coming soon.

Need Financing for a 4-H or FFA Project?
Youth between the ages of 10 and 20 years old, living in a town with a population of less than 10,000 with financing needs of $5,000 or less may qualify. For more information, contact the Farm Service Agency at 660-327-4137.

Promoting Extension
Did you know University of Missouri Extension is one of the best-kept secrets? If your club has a Facebook page, help us spread the word on what Extension has to offer.

Lincoln County Steer & Hog Members
Steer members please remember the meeting for exhibitors on January 10 at 7 p.m. Hog members, on January 11 at 7 p.m. Both meetings are at the fairgrounds.
Lincoln County New Family Orientation
New families should plan to attend new family orientation January 30 at 7 p.m. at the Extension Center to find out what is expected of a 4-H member. Please RSVP by January 25 to 636-528-4613.

Lincoln County Family Fun Night
Lincoln County 4-H Council will host a Family Fun Night on March 5 from 5-7 p.m. at the Moscow Mills Lions Club. Activities include duck pond, plinko, corn hole, bottle game and more! Snacks will be provided. Please RSVP by March 1 to 636-528-4613.

Montgomery County Fair Livestock Weigh-in Dates
The steer weigh-in will be held Saturday, February 11, 2023 from 8:00-10:00 a.m., no late arrivals accepted. There is a minimum 1,000-pound weight at the fair for steers. The hog weigh-in will be held Saturday, March 11, 2023 from 8:00-10:00 a.m., no late arrivals accepted. For hogs, there is a 60-pound maximum weight at time of weigh in and then minimum of 230 pounds at fair. The sheep and goat weigh-in will be April 22, 2023 from 8:00-9:00 a.m. For lambs, there is a 90-pound minimum at fair. For goats, there is a 50-pound minimum at fair. Animals will be weighed in during designated times, no exceptions. Please note the time change for sheep and goats. Only 2 animals of one species per exhibitor are allowed to be weighed in. Please look for more Montgomery County Fair Updates in 2023.

Montgomery County Shooting Sports Reminders
The Montgomery County Shooting Sports Safety class will be on February 4, 2023 with a weather make-up date of February 11. In keeping with the State Shooting Sports guidelines for 2023 and beyond the Shooting Sports Safety (SS740) class is only required once, your first year of shooting sports. SS740 does not count toward your project total. Shotgun, Cowboy Action/Western Heritage and Air Pistol/.22 Pistol generally meet on weekends. Air Rifle/.22 Rifle generally meet on Wednesdays. Archery generally meets on Thursdays. Both Muzzleloader and Hunting & Outdoor Skills will be participating with Warren County and a Warren County leader.

Warren County Crochet Project
The crochet project meetings have begun and will continue on the second Tuesday of each month at the Warrenton branch of the Scenic Regional Library. The next meeting on January 10 with leader Dave McConnell is at 4 p.m. Any members interested in learning to crochet are welcome to join in. Beginning crocheters are working on creating dishcloths and should bring one ball of Peaches and Cream cotton yarn and a size H crochet hook, and those that already know the basics are welcome to bring a skein of Red Heart yarn and hook to begin working on a scarf or blanket. If you have questions, or would like to schedule one-on-one time at the library with Dave, call 636-235-2100.

Warren County Dog Project
The in-person dog project will meet on Monday, January 9 at 5:30 pm at the Extension Office and will continue to meet every second and fourth Monday thereafter. Project members need to bring a 1/4” slip lead (available from Amazon), dog bed or cot, waste bags and treats for their dogs. All members should also plan to meet with Tina before that date to show shot records and to have their dog evaluated for temperament. You can reach Tina Barry at 636-359-0646.

Warren County Hiking Project
The hiking project had their first meeting and hike, and four more meetings/hikes have been scheduled for those interested in joining this project. The next meeting will be on Sunday, January 15 at 1 p.m at Reifsnider State Forest. The hiking group will leave the trailhead promptly at 1pm and hikers should be properly prepared for winter hiking and should bring a pack of emergency supplies as outlined at the first meeting. Please contact Maureen at the Extension office with questions or to arrange transportation.

Warren County Horse Project
The Horse/Horseless project meeting and Lucky Horseshoe SPIN Club meeting will be held on January 6 at 6 pm Wasser Quarter Horse Farms; 1709 Hwy T, Foristell, MO. If you have questions, call Brenda Wasser at 636-795-5355.
Warren County Leadership/Citizenship/Communication Project
The Warren County Leadership/Citizenship/Communication Project meets the third Monday of each month at 5:30 pm at Harton Senior Living in Warrenton. This project enables members to work with senior citizens while learning about leadership, citizenship and communication. Please note that the January meeting will start earlier at 5 pm so members can participate in a service opportunity. For questions contact Miranda Pottebaum at Harton or Maureen at the Extension office.

Warren County Scrapbooking Project
Please plan to attend scrapbooking project meetings on January 20 & 21, February 17 & 18, March 3 & 4 and March 31& April 1 at the Extension office. Fridays are from 6 pm – 9 pm and Saturdays are from 9 am – 11:30 am. Leaders will be sending out more project information but if you have questions, contact Donna Sherman at 636-359-0929 or shermands@warrencor3.k12.mo.us.

Warren County Rabbit Project
The first Rabbit project meeting is scheduled for January 9th at 7 p m at the Extension Center. Please mark your calendars for the 2nd Monday of each month from January – May. Rabbit families please make sure to join the Facebook group, “Warren County MO 4-H Rabbits”. If you have questions, reach out to our project leaders, Michael and Jessica Gerdeman at 636-459-5638 or michael.gerdeman@gmail.com

Warren County Water Bath Canning Project
The first water bath canning project meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 3 at 4 pm at the Extension office. Members should plan to bring quart jars, rings and lids as well as the ingredients for salsa. Please contact Denise Dent for exact ingredients or for more information. Text 636-359-6166.

Warren County Volunteer Project Leaders
Thank you to those adults who have already signed up to volunteer as a Warren County 4-H Project Leader. Please notify us about meeting times so we can share the information on our Facebook page and in the newsletter. If you haven’t signed up and are willing and able to lead a 4-H project, you are still welcome to sign up! If you have questions, please contact the Extension office. Thank you!

Warren County 4-H Feeding MO – County Contest for Clubs
4-H families are encouraged to support their 4-H clubs by delivering donations of non-perishables to the Extension office now through April 30th. This year donations will be awarded point values per each item or dollar amount turned in. Basic canned and dry goods will be worth one point each, but some items such as cleaning products will be worth extra points! Monetary donations will also have an extra point value! The club that brings in the highest number of points per member will earn their name on the county plaque and will be awarded a movie and pizza party courtesy of the Extension office staff! The office staff will also be in charge of making deliveries to local pantries each month.

Warren County Shooting Sports Safety Training
Shooting Sports Safety MUST be taken your 1st year enrolled in any Shooting Sports project. Safety Training for Warren County is scheduled for Saturday, February 25, 2023 from 8:30 a m – 2:30 p m at the Extension office. Food stand with breakfast and baked goods, as well as drinks and a lunch menu, will be provided by the Rolling Stones 4-H Club.

Warren County 4-H Members:
Make sure to fill out, sign and return your BLUE “Requirements to Show/Exhibit & Complete your 4-H Year” Agreements to your club leader. Remember, attending 7 club meetings, enrolling in at least one project, completing a project record and demonstrating your project knowledge are KEYS for a SUCCESSFUL year in 4-H!

Warren County January 4-H Council Meeting
The Warren County 4-H Council will meet on Tuesday, January 3rd at 7 pm. All 4-H families are welcome to attend.
Camp Branch Welding Project
Members of the Camp Branch welding project should watch their email for more details because project leaders will be posting meeting dates soon. Project meetings will run January through February, meeting on various Wednesdays or Fridays throughout the first two months of the year. If you have questions, please contact Bill Miller via email at billjrmiller@gmail.com.

REMINDERS

Lincoln 4-H Council Committee Workshop
The Lincoln County 4-H Council Committee workshop will be on January 24 at 6 p.m. at the Extension Center. Please make sure someone from your club is there! Attendance points will be added to the Club Score Sheet.

To Show/Exhibit at the Fair

Please check with your county office NOW for requirements to show/exhibit at the fair!

“Keep doing your best every day and if no one is proud of you – be proud of yourself.”
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