



Webster County Clover Sayings



March 2019

Check us out and Like us to get all the information on happenings in our world! We will announce deadlines, upcoming events, and make other announcements here.

Did you know Webster County 4-H is on Facebook

March 7 - Leaders' Council mtg

March 11 - Seymour 4-H

March 18 - Heartbeat 4-H

March 19 - Country Cardinals

March 19 - Mighty Eagles 4-H

March 26 - Quality Assurance

April 7 - Dairy Cow Camp Interviews

May 2 - Achievement Night

Nov 2 - Dixie Stampede

Dear 4-H Families,

This essay was taken from a 4-H leaders 1959 calendar that was discovered at the Lawrence County office. Many things have changed since 1959, but much of this essay is still applicable today. I share this with you as a tribute to 4-H Leaders everywhere. We are just a short time away from a hectic summer of 4-H activity. It is easy to get bogged down from time to time. May this serve as a reminder of why we do what we do.

Somewhere between the sternness of a parent and the comradeship of a pal is that mysterious creature we call a 4-H leader.

These leaders come in all shapes and sizes, and may be male or female. But they all have one thing in common—a glorious twinkle in their eyes!

4-H leaders are found everywhere—at judging contests, junior fairs, square dances, and talent shows. They always are preparing for sitting through, participating in, or recuperating from a meeting of some kind.

They are tireless consumers of muffins, expert at taking knots out of thread, peerless coaches, and spend hours on the telephone.

A 4-H leader is many things—an artist making a float for the Fourth of July, a doctor prescribing for an underfed calf, a counselor at camp, a lawyer filling out reports, and a shoulder to cry on when that dress just won't fit.

Nobody else is so early to rise and so late to get home at night. Nobody else has so much fun with so many boys and girls.

We sometimes forget them, but we can't do without them. They receive no salary, but we never can repay them.

They are angels in aprons, saints in straw hats. Their only reward is the love of the kids and the respect of the community. But when they look around them at the skills they've taught, and the youth they've built, there's an inner voice from somewhere that says, "Well done." —Bonnie Hill, Greeley, CO

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Webster County News

4-H Club Reports

Next Leader Council Meetings will be March 7th. We meet here at the extension at 7 p.m.

Topics: Dairy Cow Camp, Fundraising ideas, Recognition Night.

One of your duties as a reporter is to take notes at each meeting and prepare a report for the county 4-H office. Please send your club news to the 4-H office by the last day of the month so that it may be published in the 4-H Clover Sayings. You can either drop your report off at the extension office or send by mail to: Webster County 4-H, 800 S. Marshall, Marshfield, MO 65706. **Please send your club news to the 4-H office as soon as your meeting is over so that it may be published in the Clover Sayings for the next month newsletter.**

Country Cardinals 4-H. Niangua - February 5th—6:30 pm, Niangua School - Meeting called to order by Mikayla Young. Attendance 15 members and 11 others. Discuss food drive and Jeannie Moreno explained on how to give a demonstration. No games or songs were played. Next meeting will be March 19th and we will be talking about the food drive. Reporter Colton Dudley

Heartbeat of the Ozarks 4-H. Feb 11 at 6::00 pm, Extension Office - Meeting called to order by Kalaa Clark. Attendance 14 members and 10 adults. Discuss upcoming camps and 4-H Feed MO. Two demonstrations were given by Ashlynn Lee demonstrated how to make Hazelnut butter and Alyssa Stinnett demonstrated on how to clean and waterproof your shoes. Project report was given on International Foods and the Entrepreneurship project meet briefly to discuss their upcoming meeting. No games or songs were played. Next month meeting will be March 18. Topics will be on food safety. Reporter Kinzee Clark

Mighty Eagles 4-H, Fordland. - February 19th- 3rd Tuesday of the Month) Meeting cancelled due to weather. Reporter Elliana Garber

Seymour 4-H, Seymour (2nd Monday of the Month) - February 11th - at 6:30 p.m. Seymour Firehouse

Upcoming Events

March 26 - Quality Assurance Workshop - Extension Office - 6:30 to 8:30 pm

April 13 - RATT (Regional Action Team Trip) 12 and Up - Kansas city here we come (watch for flyer)

May 2 - Achivement Night

May 4 - MOUSE Trip - Wizard Camp - (watch for flyer)

May 22-24 - Dairy Cow Camp (Watch for application)

Helpful Information

Dairy Cow Camp - May 22-24 at Friestat Fee is \$90

Would you like to go to Dairy Cow Camp, no experience needed. Just a willingness to learn all about how to take care of your cow, workshops, quality assurance, etc. Council will pay half of your fee but you must fill out a trip and award sheet, write a short essay on why you would like to go to Dairy Cow Camp, be a member in good standing and be at the next Leaders' Council meeting on March 7th for interview. Please let Jeannie know if you want application. Applications should be available March 1st.

Missouri 4-H Foundation Grants

The Missouri 4-H Foundation continues to award grants to support a wide range of 4-H programs, events, and facilities. Information about grant funds and application procedures may be found on the 4-H Foundation website at <http://4h.missouri.edu/foundation/>

- ☐ **Community Service** Through generous grants from Crader Distributing and Stihldealers.com, as well as DuPont Pioneer, the Missouri 4-H Foundation offers grants of up to \$1,000 to match funding for a 4-H community.
- ☐ **Kids Helping Kids** is a program devoted to helping 4-H members and their families in times of need. Through donations made by 4-H
- ☐ **Doane Youth Center** Through a generous endowment given by D. Howard Doane, one of the founding trustees of the Missouri 4-H Foundation, funds are available to improve facilities owned and/or controlled by Missouri 4-H.

Missouri 4-H T-Shirts

Youth, families, faculty and staff may once again purchase a Missouri 4-H t-shirt through 4HOnline. The cost of the shirts are \$11 each. Orders will be placed through the event registration system in 4HOnline. You may pay by check or credit card. If paying by check, please make your check out to your local extension office. Once payment is received in the local county extension office, your 4-H faculty/staff will approve the registration and the order will be processed. The T-shirts are black with short-sleeves and a green and white design. Sizes available include youth sizes small-large; adult sizes small-3XL. If your size is currently out



of stock, you will be contacted directly by someone from the Daviess County Extension office. Any out of stock sizes will be replenished in a timely manner and your order processed. If you have any questions please contact Becky Simpson at simpsonre@missouri.edu or 660-663-3232.

IMPORTANT please read! Members, if you are still showing pending in 4-H online it may be that we have not received your member dues. If you paid your club leader, please verify with her that dues have been submitted to the office. Until you are active in the system, you will not show up on any project report for project leaders. Which means meetings may be held without you.

Helpful Information

Project Leader and Club Leader Resources

Leaders and 4-H members, check out the project resources on the Missouri 4-H website at <http://4h.missouri.edu/programsprojects.aspx>. Under the individual projects, you will find project briefs that also contain ideas for demonstrations, community service, etc. From A to Z, every project has lots of resource information worth checking out. Additional information can be found at <http://4h.missouri.edu/resources-andforms/>.

Project record form Members - get a head start on completing your end-of-year project forms. Forms can be found on the Webster County Extension website. Under 4-H then go to forms. Remember to take pictures all year of your project work to include in your end-of-year report.

4-H Camp dates have been set for June 2019.

June 8-9 Counselor Training (Teens must apply and be accepted to work as a counselor. Counselors work with 4-H Staff to develop and facilitate camp.) Counselor applications and camp registrations will be available sometime in April.

June 8-9 - Camp Counselor Training

June 9-12 Member Camp 1

June 12-15 Member Camp 2

June 15-16 Clover Kids Camp

June 16-20 Teen Camp

Camp is held each year at Camp Smokey, a group facility in beautiful Roaring River State Park in Cassville, Missouri. Counselor Training is an overnight for all teens who are selected to serve as a counselor to the younger members at Clover Kids or members camps. Members Camps are for 4-H'ers ages 8-12, Clover Kids Camp is for members ages 5-7 (with a parent) and Teen Camp is for members ages 13-18. Teens must apply and be accepted to work as a counselor. Counselors work with 4-H Staff to develop and facilitate camp. Counselor applications and camp registrations will be available sometime in April. Put the dates into your 2019 calendar and plan to come to camp! Members young and old say 4-H camp is the best part of their summer! We hope to see you there!

Quality Assurance Workshop

Karla Deaver, Youth Specialist, will be doing a Quality Assurance Workshop for us on March 26th starting at 6:30 p.m. If you are planning to attend, please let Jeannie know. morenoja@missouri.edu or 859-2044.

STATE/NATIONAL NEWS

Hunting and Outdoor Skills Leader Workshop

Jim Sappington April 12-14, 2019

Windermere Conference Center, Roach, Mo (Lake of the Ozarks)

The workshop begins 7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 12 with a “hands-on” specimen preservation session. The registration will be through 4HOnline. If you do not have a 4HOnline profile, you will need to make one. The profile creation is found on the same page as the profile login.

Event registration help guide is found at <http://4h.missouri.edu/doc/MOEventRegistration.pdf>

Online registration is OPEN. Registration is limited so do not delay.

Registration closes: March 15 (or when the workshop fills)

Here is your chance to become certified to teach the 4-H Hunting and Outdoor Skills project of the Shooting Sports program. Participate in active learning as you become acquainted with this challenging, yet FUN project. Learn firsthand from the state instructors on how to lead a local/county Hunting Skills program. Experience various teaching activities that have proven effective for youth. Receive answers to your questions and become part of a network of other Hunting Skills volunteer instructors. Cost: \$85 — includes two nights' lodging, five meals (three on Saturday and two on Sunday), curriculum notebook and supplemental resources Pre-requisite: • Completed Missouri 4-H Volunteer application/screening process. • Complete mandatory Volunteer Orientation (or do soon in near future) • Willing to work with local 4-H members. A certified leader (instructor) must be at least 21 years of age. For more details: <http://4h.missouri.edu/shooting-sports-events/outdoor-leader>

Public Speaking Academy*

Patty Fisher

The 4-H Public Speaking Academy is preparing for its seventh year! Extension faculty, along with 4-H volunteers will provide educational workshops to help youth build their skills and comfort with public speaking. Participants will be guided through the basics and finer points of writing and delivering a speech. Youth will receive individual assistance. The camp is open to all youth 11-13 years of age interested in learning more about public speaking. The Academy will be June 12-13, 2019 and registration is due May 1. Lodging will be provided on the campus of Central Methodist University in Fayette, Mo. The cost is \$100. For more information, contact Patty Fisher at fisherp@missouri.edu or 573-324-5464 and be sure to download the brochure on the Missouri 4-H page at <http://4h.missouri.edu/public-speaking-academy/main> .

Save the Date: Clovers for Kids s March 1-April 30, 2019

Chris Willow

JOANN stores are helping 4-H bring more hands-on programs to local communities across the nation to inspire kids to lead lives with their heads, hands, and hearts. Between March 1 – April 30, 2019 visit your local JOANN store and purchase a clover tear away at the register for either \$1 or \$4. More information coming soon.



Equine Opportunity: Show-Me Success Clinic* Ty Peckman

The Missouri Quarter Horse Association and Stephens College are hosting the Show-Me Success Clinic at Stephens College in Columbia, MO on April 5th - 6th. Watch AQHA World and Congress Champion trainer Tommy Sheets instruct riders and learn to score each class with AQHA judge Kendra Wei. Please see the attached flyer for more information about the event and how to register.

Community Improvement Grants Available to 4-H and FFA Youth

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., February 6, 2019 - Developing a thriving rural Missouri is important to FCS Financial. The Shaping Rural Missouri grant program offers Missouri 4-H and FFA organizations \$500 grants to implement projects that will benefit their rural communities and youth development.

“Providing opportunities for rural community development is important to FCS Financial because our employees and customers live in these same areas,” said Scott Gardner, Vice President, Sales & Marketing. “These grants not only strengthen our rural communities but allow our youth to work as a team to accomplish a goal.”

Funds are awarded to assist club or chapter members in bringing positive change by establishing projects that make their local communities better places to live. FCS Financial encourages applicants to collaborate with other community organizations to develop and complete their improvement project.

Last year, FCS Financial funded 40 projects across Missouri. Youth built picnic tables, planted trees and landscaped school grounds to improve their local communities.

Since the grant's inception in 2012, more than \$120,000 has been distributed across Missouri.

Applications are online and due April 1, 2019. Apply or find more information about the Shaping Rural Missouri grant program at www.myfcsfinancial.com, click on the About Us tab and then select Community Giving or call 1-800-369-3276 ext. 1173.

FCS Financial serves 102 counties through 21 offices in Missouri. FCS Financial is a member of the Farm Credit System. The system is a nationwide network of cooperative lending institutions that provides credit and financial services to farmers, ranchers, rural residents and agribusinesses. With more than 100 years of agricultural lending experience, the Farm Credit System is the largest single provider of agricultural credit in the United States.

CONTACT: For more information, contact Amy Wieberg at 800-369-3276 ext. 1177 or amy.wieberg@myfcsfinancial.com.

Clover Kids Corner

Through Clover Kids clubs, children learn how to get along, share, and work in groups, explore their interests, and build self-confidence. Each Clover Kids Corner provides an activity, information or other materials that Clover Kids leaders can use in planning and implementing experiences that introduce five to seven-year olds to the 4-H concept of learning by doing.



Bouncy Balls:

- Pour 1 tablespoon of glue into one cup—add a drop of food coloring and stir with a craft stick
- In a second cup, combine 2 tablespoons of water and ½ teaspoon of borax together and mix with another craft stick
- Add 1 tablespoon of cornstarch and ½ teaspoon of the borax solution to the glue and let stand a minute
- Stir with the craft stick until fully mixed together and the mixture becomes very difficult to stir.
- Mold the ball in your hands. It will be sticky at first but will become more solid as you mold it.
- Store your ball in a baggie so it does not dry out and crumble.

18th Annual 4-H Day with the St. Louis Cardinals

Missouri and Illinois 4-H members, parents, volunteers and alumni will gather at Busch Stadium on Saturday, May 11, 2019 for the 18th annual 4-H Day with the Cardinals. The Cardinals will be playing the Pittsburgh Pirates in a 1:15 p.m. game. Tickets for the game will be \$25.00 each and includes a specially designed t-shirt featuring the 4-H Clover on the back and the Cardinals emblem on the front.

4-H members, leaders, alumni, and their families who purchase 4-H Day with the Cardinals tickets will have the opportunity to participate in a parade around the Busch Stadium outfield. Pre-game ceremonies will include a recitation of the 4-H pledge and ceremonial first pitches by an Illinois and Missouri 4-H member. As an added bonus the Cardinals give-away item for the game is an adult Cardinals performance t-shirt. The first 30,000 fans age 16 and older will receive the t-shirt.

Tickets for the event must be ordered on the 4-H Day with the Cardinals order form. Ticket order forms are available at your county extension office, or on the web at www.mo4h.missouri.edu. Ticket orders must be postmarked by April 1, 2019. Tickets often sell out before the order deadline so families are encouraged to order early. 4-H Clubs, counties, or groups of families who would like to be seated together must send their orders in the same envelope.

Families can also participate in the 4-H Day with the Cardinals raffle to win prizes such as throwing out the first pitch, autographed baseballs, and tickets to other Cardinal baseball games. Funds raised through the raffle support Missouri and Illinois 4-H programs. 4-H Day with the Cardinals has raised \$80,000.00 to support Missouri and Illinois 4-H programs in the first 17 years. Complete information about the 4-H Day with the Cardinals raffle is on the ticket order form.

Questions regarding ticket or t-shirt orders should be addressed to Rhonda Shafer at shaferr@missouri.edu or 636-528-4613. For questions about the parade, game day activities or raffle contact Dave Hileman at hilemand@missouri.edu or 636-583-5141.