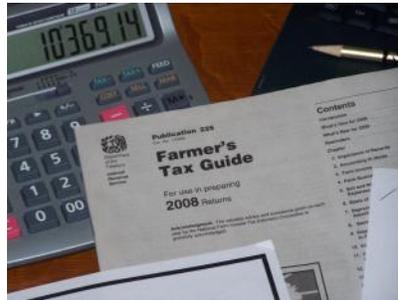


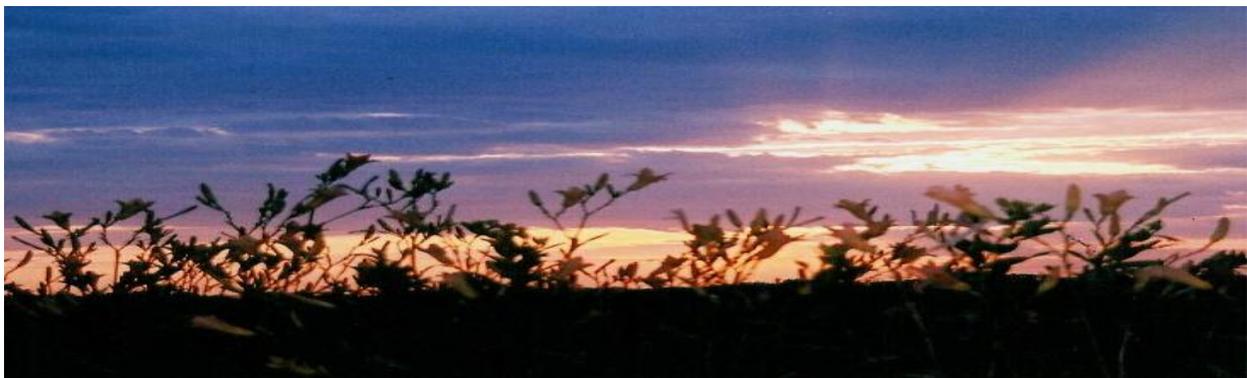
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2008 Annual Report

Carroll County

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Agriculture & Natural Resources

◆ **Mid-Missouri Pre-Harvest Crop Conference:** This conference was held September 4th at the Carrollton Rupe Community Center. Twenty producers from four counties participated in this event.

Presenters at this conference included faculty of the Food & Agricultural Policy Research Institute (FAPRI) and regional extension agronomy and ag business specialists.

Topics covered at the conference included:

- Fall Weed Control
- Soil Fertility Management
- Grain Outlook & Marketing
- Leasing Farmland
- New Farm Bill
- Nuts & Bolts of Yield Monitors

As a result of attending this conference:

- 86%** will share information with others;
- 64%** will make changes in fertility mgmt.;
- 57%** had a better understanding of their farm leasing responsibilities & options;
- 57%** had a better understanding of their options in the new farm bill;
- 50%** will make changes in their fall weed control program;
- 36%** will make better use of their field and crop yield data; and
- 36%** will make changes in their 2008/2009 crop marketing plan.

◆ **Agronomy:** Statewide average precipitation was almost 16 inches above normal in 2008. The excessive rainfall during planting and early season growth coupled with cooler temperatures affected the crops' planting, growth and management. Two of the main problems were getting the crop planted on time and then controlling the weeds. The herbicides that had been applied early became ineffective by the time the crop was planted. Extension specialists worked with farmers and agricultural suppliers to evaluate possibilities and strategies.

◆ **Women In Ag:** MU Extension, FSA, NRCS, and SCWD sponsored a one-day event directed toward women ag landowners. The event's focus was on "Farm & Rural Profitability". Workshops included: Lose Less Sleep and Cut Worry Time; Never Make Another Math Error; USDA Conservation and Loan Programs; and Agri-Tourism.

This event drew participants from thirteen counties, including Carroll.

◆ **Farm Income Tax School:** New tax laws with the potential to affect many small businesses and agricultural producers were covered during October at the 2008 Missouri Business/Farm Income Tax Schools. Seventy-

We believe in what we do, and it shows in our history, in our programs, and most importantly, in the citizens we serve...

◆ **Ag Lenders' Seminar:** Thirty-eight lenders from 11 counties attended the Ag Lender Seminar held at Boonville in November. This event informs lenders of marketing outlooks and other high priority ag issues.

The MU Ag Economics department, FAPRI, and regional extension ag business specialists worked together to present twelve educational seminars for the ag lenders through out the state.

◆ **Show-Me Select Heifers:** This program is unique in that it is first and foremost, an educational program targeted at improving production efficiency through increased use of existing technology, coupled with a marketing component.

Outcomes of this program include:

1. Increased adoption rate of management practices that offer potential to improve long-term reproductive efficiency in their herds.
2. Improved heifer development programs through a Total Quality Management approach.
3. Increased marketing opportunities and added value for Missouri-raised heifers
4. Creation of reliable sources of quality replacement heifers.

Dear Friends of University of Missouri Extension,

A unique partnership exists between University of Missouri Extension and local government. In Carroll County, we're proud of the many ways our partnerships with local, government, organizations and coalitions have worked to improve peoples' lives in our county.

While MU Extension centers draw from expertise on the four University of Missouri campuses, our regional Extension faculty are ingrained in local communities. Through input from the University of Missouri Extension Council of Carroll County, Extension faculty respond to local priorities with programs to enhance economic viability; build strong individuals, families and communities; and create and sustain healthy environments.

More than 1 million Missourians each year rely on University of Missouri Extension for research-based information and education to help them solve problems and make informed decisions. Citizens benefited from one-on-one assistance, seminars, services and research-based publications. This annual report highlights many of the programs that made a difference in 2007.

We look forward to continuing to serve and improve the lives of the residents of Carroll County.

Nelson Heil
Presiding Commissioner

Claud Miller
Carroll County Extension

Parman Green
County Program Director



Families & Communities



4-H / Youth:

This program offers long-term educational experiences in which members learn life skills such as decision making, public speaking, and working with others. Members learn by doing under the guidance of adult volunteers. Projects range from aerospace to veterinary science. Locally, photography is one of the largest projects.

◆ One of every 10 Missourians between the ages of 5 and 18 participated in a Missouri 4-H program in 2008.

◆ Carroll County has four 4-H Clubs, with 147 members participating.

- Chase
- CC Sundowners
- Bosworth Fireballs
- Happy Hustlers

◆ Nine 4-H members attended the 4-H Camp event that was held in 2008.

◆ 32 Clover Kids participated in the Clover Kid Day Camp in May.

◆ There were 45 youth and adult volunteers assisted the Carroll County 4-H program in 2008



Family Nutrition Education Programs (FNEP):

◆ FNEP provides information on nutrition, food safety, and physical activity for lifelong health and fitness. Over 1,195 youths and 12 adults were served through schools, community groups, and agencies in Carroll County during 2008.

◆ Nutrition education for youth provides information in kid-friendly terms and in lessons with hands-on activities.

◆ Nutrition education classes were delivered at the following locations by Pam Gladbach, nutrition program assistant:

- Adam-Dietrich Elementary
- Bosworth R-V
- Carrollton R-VII
- Carrollton Public Library
- Hale R-I Elementary
- Norborne R-VIII
- Tina Avalon R-II

◆ Students are now more aware of nutrition, make healthier food choices, eat breakfast more often, are more willing to try new foods, had improved hand washing and other food safety, had increased physical activity.

Family Financial Education:

KMZU, KAOL and KRLI radio stations provide well over \$100,000 per year of air time for family financial education. One hundred forty-four 1-minute cuts are recorded annually and are broadcast into Carroll County several times each day. Radio work narrows the information gap between those who have quality financial information and those who do not by providing quality, unbiased, science based information to many hundreds of thousands of listeners over the course of a year.

100% of the Missouri Valley Staff working in Carroll County attended an in-service on "Family Financial Minefields". The seminar focused on contemporary predatory lending practices, use and misuse of credit reports and 8 great steps for families in financial crisis. Three Carroll County retired teachers attended a financial education seminar at the district meeting in Marshall that focused on managing finances in retirement during turbulent economic times.

100% of the human service providers learned that Extension has valuable, easily applied strategies in family financial education.

100% of the human service providers indicated they felt confident in referring clientele to Extension for financial education. One Carroll County resident owns her first home by qualifying for a USDA home mortgage. One requirement of the mortgage was complete an Extension workshop on Homebuyer Education.

Three Carroll County residents traveled to Marshall for a two-session workshop, "How to Beat the High Cost of Living."

Community & Economic Development

◆ As the engine that drives our state's progress, economic development is assuming a greater role in the University of Missouri System's mission. The Community Economic & Entrepreneurial Development (ExCEED) Program focuses on economic development opportunities in rural communities. This year two ExCEED grants were approved for 2008 within the Central Region.

◆ Working effectively as a team and understanding others is only a few of the important issues facing volunteer leaders who serve on boards, councils and committees. Training for community leaders on the topics of understanding the four primary personality types, managing conflict, board responsibilities, parliamentary procedure, Sunshine Law, and how to hold an effective meeting are now available through your local Extension Center and Community Development Specialist.

2008 Carroll County Extension Council

ELECTED

East of Highway 65

- ◆ Michelle Brockmeier
- ◆ Brian Edwards
- ◆ Gerry German, Secretary
- ◆ Norman Grossman
- ◆ Frances Hart

West of Highway 65

- ◆ Steve Feild
- ◆ Angee Germann, Treasurer
- ◆ Rex Kinder
- ◆ Jan Leakey
- ◆ Claud Miller, Chairperson

City of Carrollton

- ◆ R.M. Brock
- ◆ Kathleen Horine
- ◆ Rob Leonard
- ◆ Heath Owen

APPOINTED

- ◆ Jim Stewart, Commissioners
- ◆ Jim Clemens, Farm Bureau
- ◆ Russ Mayden, City of Carrollton, Vice Chairperson
- ◆ Verna Murphy, MFA

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Ag Connection Newsletter: <http://outreach.missouri.edu/agconnection/>

MO Valley Integrated Crop Mgmt: <http://outreach.missouri.edu/cmregion/icm/>

Integrated Pest Management: <http://ipm.missouri.edu/>

AgEBB (Ag Electronic Bulletin Board): <http://www.agebb.missouri.edu/>

Ag Tax Tidbits: <http://agebb.missouri.edu/agtax/index.htm>

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