HELP WITH EXHIBIT DAY
4-H members and leaders will be needed to help with Franklin County Exhibit Day on Wednesday, July 12, beginning at noon. We will need teen members and adults to help check in exhibits, members to carry exhibits to their specified area, and others to help as judge’s assistants. We will need help beginning at noon, and then throughout the day until 6:00 p.m. This is a great citizenship opportunity for your 4-H members. It is also a great way to meet your Teen Option county leadership requirement.

HELP NEEDED AT FRANKLIN COUNTY FAIR
In about two months we will be judging about 1,000 exhibits in the Franklin County Fair 4-H building. These exhibits will stay in the building July 13-16. It is important to provide security for the exhibits, so that none of them disappear from the building. Each club will be asked to provide people to watch the building for a few hours during the fair. Every year it seems that we have some clubs who do not show up for their turn. Because Jenny and I have several other responsibilities at the fair, we are often elsewhere on the fairgrounds. That means that if someone does not show up when they are scheduled, the building may go unguarded for more than an hour. Please make sure your club has people on duty to watch the exhibits.

FRANKLIN COUNTY FAIR PREMIUMS MUST BE PICKED UP AT FAIR
All fair premiums must be picked up during the fair or they will be forfeited. You can pick up premiums at the designated times on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. If you will be unable to get to the fair to get your premiums you will need to arrange for someone else to pick it up for you. You will need a fair pass to get onto the grounds to collect your premium money.

DISCOUNT FAIR SEASON PASSES FOR EXHIBITORS
Available only at Extension Center
By special arrangement with the Franklin County Fair Board, 4-H members who will be exhibiting livestock, or items in the 4-H building, can purchase an exhibitor’s season pass for $12. These special passes can be purchased only at the University of Missouri Extension office. Exhibitor passes must be purchased by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 12, and are only for 4-H or FFA members who will be exhibiting at the fair. There are no special passes for 4-H parents, leaders or Extension staff.

IF YOU ARE NOT ENROLLED, YOU CANNOT SHOW!
Only 4-H members can exhibit items or animals in 4-H classes. Check the following to see if you can exhibit:

- If you have not set up a family account and enrolled in 4-H Online, you are not a 4-H member.
- If you have enrolled in 4-H Online but your status is still “pending” you are not a 4-H member (this probably means you have not paid enrollment fees. You are not a member if you have not paid for the privilege of being a member).

Contact the Extension Office if you have questions.
MORE FAIR INFORMATION!

4-H members can show their livestock and other exhibits at several fairs. I encourage you to bring your exhibits to the Franklin County Fair in Union, because the best building exhibits at the Franklin County Fair qualify to be exhibited at the Missouri State Fair.

You may also show your exhibits at:

- **Meramec Community Fair**, Sullivan - June 20-24. Fair parade is June 20. Fair books, exhibit tags, parade forms and other information are available by calling (573) 860-2861 or visit: [www.merameccommunityfair.com](http://www.merameccommunityfair.com)

- **New Haven Community Youth Fair**, July 7-8. Building exhibits do not have to be pre-registered. For forms and information go to [www.nhcyf.com](http://www.nhcyf.com)

- **Gasconade County Fair**, Owensville - July 26-29. Franklin County 4-H members may exhibit livestock at this fair. For fair books or more information, go to [www.gasconadecountyfair.com](http://www.gasconadecountyfair.com)

  For 4-H participation go to: [http://extension.missouri.edu/gasconade](http://extension.missouri.edu/gasconade)

- **St. Charles County Fair (breeding beef, breeding sheep and breeding rabbits only)**, July 25-29. For a fair book or other information contact the St. Charles County Extension office, (636) 970-3000. Registration deadline is usually June 15. Visit the St. Charles County Fair website: [www.stcharlescofair.org](http://www.stcharlescofair.org)

- **Washington Town & Country Fair**, August 2-6. Contact the Washington Chamber of Commerce for more information, (636) 239-2715 or go to: [www.washmofair.com](http://www.washmofair.com)

  4-H Clubs are invited to participate in the Washington Town and Country Fair parade, Sunday, July 30. You can find parade registration information under “Things To Do”.

- **Missouri State Fair**, August 10-20, Sedalia. Livestock, horse show, and dog show entries are due July 1. Building exhibits must be exhibited at the Franklin County Fair in Union to be eligible for the Missouri State Fair. Information and entry forms are available at: [www.mostatefair.com](http://www.mostatefair.com), and click on “Competitions and Livestock”.

STATE SHOOTING SPORTS EVENTS

Registrations open July 1.

State Shooting Sports events for 2017 have been posted on the Missouri State 4-H web page. You can find the contest event dates and locations, and the state rules at: [http://www.4h.missouri.edu/shooting-sports-events/state-shoot](http://www.4h.missouri.edu/shooting-sports-events/state-shoot)

You will register through your 4-H Online account.

FAIR EXHIBIT TAGS AND LIVESTOCK ENTRY FORMS DUE JUNE 23

Fair exhibit tags for building exhibits, livestock entry forms, and forms for all other 4-H events at the Franklin County Fair are due at the Franklin County University of Missouri Extension Center on Friday, June 23. Pay close attention to the general instructions for exhibits, especially photography and cake decorating exhibits. Exhibits that do not meet exhibit guidelines are not eligible for the state fair.

Exhibit tags and additional entry forms for livestock are available at the University of Missouri Extension office or from your club leader. We can mail exhibit tags to you if you call and request them. Forms for livestock and the archery contest are also available on the Franklin County Extension web site.

MAKE SURE YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO SHOW IN FAIRS

You must be a "member in good standing" if you wish to enter building or livestock exhibits in the Franklin County Fair or market livestock classes in the Washington Town & Country Fair. Refer to your Franklin County 4-H Rules for more details. Club leaders will soon be sending us a list of their members in good standing.

The Washington Town and Country Fair entry form will require a signature from your club leader to indicate that you are a member in good standing.

BE A PART OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY FAIR PARADE

4-H Clubs, project groups, or other groups can participate in the Franklin County Fair parade by marching or providing a float. The parade will be held Wednesday, July 12, beginning at 6:30 p.m., and will be followed by an entertainment at the fairgrounds. It would be great if we had several 4-H Clubs represented in the parade. Contact the Franklin County MU Extension Center for more information.

FOUR 4-H SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations to Laura Bardot and Ryan Bardot of the Rockford Rebels 4-H Club, Anna Tarpey of the Fireball 4-H Club, and Lydia Placht of the New Haven 4-H club. They each were selected to receive a 2017 Missouri 4-H Foundation scholarship. The scholarship amounts range from $800 to $1000.

Learn more about 4-H Foundation Scholarships at [www.4h.missouri.edu/recognition/scholarships](http://www.4h.missouri.edu/recognition/scholarships)

Scholarships are available for graduating high school seniors and for 4-H members/alumni who are already currently attending a college or university. Applications are due March 1 of each 4-H year.
TEENS NEEDED TO HELP WITH FAIR ON JULY 13

I need some adults and teens to help in the Family Pavilion at the fairgrounds from 4-6 p.m., on July 13. You will be there to help young fair goers work on hands-on projects. Jenny or I will give you instructions on what to do. I am also open to ideas for some quick crafty/easy to do activities that might entertain the kids for a short time at the fair. I can provide fair passes for the day for those who do not have a season pass. Please contact the Extension office if you can help out with this leadership opportunity.

STILL NEED 4-H GROUPS FOR FAIRGROUNDS CLEAN-UP

Jeffriesburg 4-H Club usually helps clean the Franklin County Fairgrounds on the Sunday of the fair. We still need 4-H Clubs, project groups, or just a group of 4-H families to clean the grounds on the mornings of July 14 and July 15 (Friday and Saturday). The group is needed from about 8:30 to 10:30 each morning. Please contact Tom Abbott at 636-584-4473 or Jenny or me if you can help clean either of those days.

FAIR PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT SUPPLIES AVAILABLE FROM EXTENSION OFFICE

4-H members can purchase matte board and photo display sleeves from the Franklin County Extension Center. Matte board (8X10 inch) is available for 50 cents each, and the photo display sleeves are 25 cents each.

STAY UP TO DATE BY LIKING FRANKLIN COUNTY FACEBOOK PAGE

A great way to stay in touch with Franklin County 4-H is to “like” the Franklin County Missouri 4-H facebook page. You can search for the page in facebook or go to www.tinyurl.com/fc4hfacebook.

SELL YOUR 4-H ITEMS AT THE MISSOURI STATE FAIR

Apply Online by July 1

4-H members, age 11-18, can apply to sell your items at the Missouri State Fair August 10 to 20! Showcase projects, learn business and marketing skills, earn income, even start your own business at the Show Me 4-H Wares sales booth for young entrepreneurs! Exhibitors can apply to sell as individuals, biz buddies or a team of up to three. Application period runs from May 1 to July 1. Apply through your family 4-H Online account. Find out more at: http://4h.missouri.edu/showme4hwares/main

NATIONAL 4-H FILM FESTIVAL IN KANSAS CITY

July 23-August 26

4-H members and other young people interested in learning more about making movies should not miss this opportunity. Actors, filmmakers, stagehands and film lovers will gather in Kansas City, July 23-26, for the 2017 FilmFest 4-H. The event brings youth together with industry professionals who donate their time and expertise.

Teens who make their own films may submit them for screening at FilmFest by July 1. FilmFest 4-H is sponsored by MU Extension’s 4-H Center for Youth Development in partnership with the Missouri Film Office. For complete information on FilmFest 4-H, go to http://4h.missouri.edu/filmfest4h/

FREE BACKPACKS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES - Back to School Fair

Must pre-register by July 5!

The Jefferson-Franklin Community Action Corporation will provide free backpack and school supplies at the Back to School Fair, July 28 and 29, at the First Christian Church in Union. Please let families who might benefit know about this opportunity. Pre-registration is required. Complete information and pre-registration forms are available by calling 636-629-6193.

4-H COUNCIL TO MEET MAY 22

The Franklin County 4-H Council will meet on Monday, May 22, 7:00 p.m. in Room 3 in the basement of the Union Memorial Auditorium (Union City Hall). We will discuss a Council spending plan for the 2017-18 4-H year, and discuss whether to add a late re-enrollment fee to encourage members to complete their enrollments more quickly. We encourage each club to be represented at 4-H Council meetings.

STATE 4-H CONGRESS DELEGATES

Franklin County 4-H will be represented at State 4-H Congress by Andrea Holdmeyer, Samantha Lewis, Carlee Maune, Madison Brinker and Julie Perriman. Kaitlyn Wampler will also be at the event as a Regional Representative of the Missouri State 4-H Council. The event will be held in Columbia from May 31-June 2.