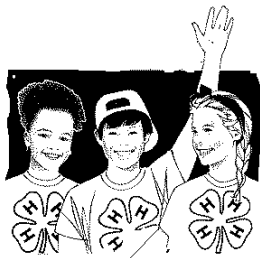


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COME...COME...COME... TO THE 2017 ST. PAT'S CORONATION & FAMILY DANCE

Our annual St. Pat's Coronation and Family Dance will be Saturday, April 1, 7:00 p.m. at the Union Middle School auditorium (see enclosed flier with map). We will crown our 2017 King & Queen, recognize the Poster Art Contest winners, and county project medal winners. Then we will take a short break for refreshments and begin our family folk/circle/square dance.

Dave will lead the circle dances. Don't worry if you have never had any experience with this type of dancing, you will have no problem catching on. **To protect the gym floor, we ask that you wear, or bring, tennis shoes if you plan to dance.** Each family should bring 1 dozen cookies for refreshments. The 4-H Council will provide beverages.

4-H CAMP REGISTRATION DUE MAY 1st Late entries accepted until May 15

Franklin & Gasconade County 4-H Camp will be held June 11-14 at Camp Derricotte in Cuivre River State Park near Troy, Mo. All 4-H members age 8-14 on December 31, 2016, can come to camp. 4-H members can also invite their friends who are not in 4-H to come to camp as well. The camp fee is \$100.00 for registrations received or postmarked by May 1. We will accept late registration from May 2-15. Late registration fee is \$120.00. Campers can also purchase a t-shirt for an additional \$10, but only if they register by May 1. See the enclosed flier for complete details about 4-H Camp. Additional camp registration forms are available by contacting the University of Missouri Extension office or on the county 4-H website: www.extension.missouri.edu/franklin/members.aspx

PARTIAL CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

We do not want family budget concerns to prevent kids from coming to 4-H Camp. We encourage families in need to pay whatever portion of the camp fee that they can. We can also arrange for payment over time if needed. Contact Jenny or Dave if you have a need for a partial camp scholarship. Families may also want to check with their 4-H Club for help with camp fees.

8 ADULTS NEEDED TO SERVE AS 4-H CAMP CABIN ADVISORS

**If we do not get enough adults,
we will have to limit the number of campers.**

Missouri State 4-H Policy requires that we have 1 adult age 21 or older in each cabin to help supervise campers and support counselors. We will need up to eight Camp Cabin Advisors for Franklin & Gasconade County 4-H Camp. Therefore, we are looking for three men and five women to serve in that role. All must be 21 or older, must complete a volunteer application and complete the 4-H volunteer orientation before camp.

Each Camp Cabin Advisor will receive a \$100 stipend for your services. If you wish, the fee can be used to pay for your camper's fee. You will need to be able to be in 4-H Camp from the evening of June 11 to the morning of June 14. Please contact the Franklin County MU Extension office if you are interested in helping. Find more details at:

www.extension.missouri.edu/franklin/camp.aspx.

4-H COUNCIL TO MEET

The Franklin County 4-H Council will meet on Monday, March 27, at 7:00 p.m. in meeting room 3 in the basement of the Union City Hall. We will hand out Franklin County Fair exhibit tags, and discuss summer programs and activities.

Achievement Night Committee To Meet

Adults and members interested in helping to plan Achievement Night should meet in the same meeting room at 6 p.m. prior to the 4-H Council meeting.

PREPARE FOR ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT

Franklin County 4-H Achievement Night is tentatively scheduled for Friday, May 12, beginning with a pot luck dinner at 6:00 p.m., at the Meramec Valley Middle School in Pacific. I will include a map in the April newsletter. Members should begin planning now to participate in the event. Those receiving blue ribbons in any event at Achievement Night can participate in the Franklin County 4-H Educational Tour.

Members who receive blue ribbons in the demonstration and illustrated talk events are eligible to participate at the Missouri State Fair. Some other events also qualify you to participate in state contests.

A summary of Achievement Night events is included with this newsletter. The registration form will be included in your April newsletter.

HUNTING & OUTDOOR SKILLS LEADER CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP [Click here for complete information.](#)

4-H volunteers with "active" status in 4-H Online can register to become a Hunting and Outdoor Skills project leader. The certification workshop will be held March 31 to April 2 at the Windermere Conference Center near Camdenton, Mo. You must register for the workshop through 4-H Online by March 15. Interested volunteers will pay the \$85.00 fee when they register, and the 4-H Council will reimburse the fee after they attend the training.

4-H MEAT JUDGING TEAMS COMPETE

Several members of the Maverick 4-H Club participated in the State 4-H Meats Judging Contest on February 25 in Columbia.

The Senior team of Emma Rose, Lilly Nix, Kellen Glass and Maggie Clark finished 3rd in the state. Emma (6th), Lilly (7th), and Kellen (9th) were among the top 10 individuals.

The Junior White Team of Elliot Glass, Alena Nix, and Kole Glass placed 3rd in the division. Elliot was 2nd high individual, and Alena was 9th.

The Junior Green Team of Paighton Witt, Ava Lou Ploch, and Kendall Nix placed 5th. Ava Lou was 8th high individual.

TIME TO APPLY TO BE A 4-H CAMP COUNSELOR

4-H teens age 14 and older on December 31, 2016 can apply to be a 4-H camp counselor. Teens should have received a letter with all the information. But if you missed it, you can find the [applications](#) on the Franklin County web site under "Forms". The Franklin County 4-H Council pays for Counselor Camp and Camp fees for camp counselors.

Counselor Camp is June 8-10, and 4-H Camp is June 11-14.

COUNTY CATTLEMEN'S SCHOLARSHIP For High School Seniors

<http://extension.missouri.edu/franklin/>

The Franklin County Cattlemen's Association is offering college scholarships. To be eligible to apply, students must be in their senior year of high school and have a beef project, or be involved in beef promotion activities. Applicants must plan to work toward a four-year degree, a two-year associates degree or a one-year intensive technical program in an accredited institution.

Applicants' parents must be residents of Franklin County, current members of the Franklin County Cattlemen's Association and must have been a member of the Missouri Cattlemen's Association for two years prior to the application deadline. Application deadline is April 1.

For Current College Students

Applicants must have been a full-time college student or full-time student in a technical program the previous year and not have reached their 23rd birthday by January 1, 2018. Students must be enrolled as a full time student for the fall semester of 2016. Applicant must be enrolled in a four-year college degree, a two-year associate degree or an intensive technical program.

Applicants' parents must be residents of Franklin County, current members of the Franklin County Cattlemen's Association and must have been a member of the Missouri Cattlemen's Association for two years prior to the application deadline. Applications are due July 1.

NOW HIRING 4-H CAMP STAFF

Teens who are at least 16 years of age, college students and adults who love to work with kids can apply to work at 4-H Camp this summer. Camp staff will work from June 6-17. We have paid positions for Kitchen Helpers, Camp Assistant, and Health Aide. Contact Dave if you are interested in working at 4-H Camp.

16th ANNUAL 4-H DAY WITH THE ST. LOUIS CARDINALS
ORDER [TICKETS](#) BY APRIL 10

Missouri and Illinois 4-H members, volunteers, parents, and alumni will gather at Busch Stadium on Saturday, May 20, 2017, for the 16th annual 4-H Day with the Cardinals. The Cardinals will be playing the San Francisco Giants in a 6:15 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. As an added bonus, the Cardinals promotional give-away for the game will be a Cardinals pet bowl (for fans 16 and older).

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 pullover. The first 30,000 fans age 16 and older will receive this one-of-a-kind item.

Tickets for the event must be ordered on the *4-H Day with the Cardinals* order form. [Ticket order forms](#) are available at the University of Missouri Extension office, or on Missouri 4-H web page.

Ticket orders must be postmarked by April 10, 2017. Tickets usually 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 Cardinals baseball games. Funds raised through the raffle support Missouri and Illinois 4-H programs. Complete information about the 4-H Day with the Cardinals raffle is on the ticket order form.

SHOW ME QUALITY ASSURANCE DATES

All 4-H members who show food animals including beef, sheep, swine, dairy cattle, meat or dairy goats, rabbits and poultry must be certified in the appropriate level of Missouri Show Me Quality Assurance. If your certification is not current you should plan to attend a certification class this spring. You can find more information about the Show Me Quality Assurance program, and a list of all the dates available in Franklin County and surrounding counties on the Franklin County web page: <http://extension.missouri.edu/franklin/smqa.aspx> Click on "2017 Franklin County Livestock Events"

LIVESTOCK SHOW CHANGES FOR THE 2017 FRANKLIN COUNTY FAIR

The Franklin County Fair Board shares the concerns that many of you have that part, or all, of the last two fair livestock shows have had to be cancelled due to unusually wet grounds. It is important that you are aware that the fair board did not unilaterally cancel the shows, but had consulted with Ken Bolte and me to make a joint decision. Those decisions have been made mostly on safety issues, and safety will always be our first concern.

We do not know what the chances are that we will again have unusually wet weather prior to the fair. But in an effort to reduce the chance that the livestock show would be rained out, the fair board has decided to move the livestock tent to the middle school field. This is where the tent was before it was moved below the tractor pull area. It was moved because of all the restrictions the school placed on the use of the field when it was also the high school football practice field. Many of those restrictions resulted in some friction between the fair board and livestock exhibitors. Those restrictions are now much more relaxed, making the move back much easier to do.

The Fair Board has also changed the dates of the fair so it will no longer be on the same weekend as the New Haven Community Youth Fair. Fair dates for this year are July 13-16, a week after New Haven. This change allows us to move our livestock shows to Friday and Saturday this year. The poultry, rabbit, sheep and goat shows will be on Friday, and bucket calf, dairy, beef, and swine will show on Saturday.

The plan for now is that you will also be able to park the vehicles you use to transport your livestock in the field as well, so you will have easy access to them. They are working with Union FFA to see about constructing a nice photo background that can be used for photos that go in the newspaper.

I know that in the past some exhibitors have voiced that they felt the Franklin County Fair Board did not really want them to exhibit at the fair. Some of that was due to fair board actions, and some due to the fair board trying to follow the school's restrictions. However, I can assure you the current fair board values your participation in the fair, and is trying to find ways to make the experience a very positive one for 4-H and FFA members and their families.

FRANKLIN COUNTY 4-H ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT

Age categories based on member's age on December 31, 2016

Achievement Night activities offer 4-H members an opportunity to show what they have learned in their 4-H projects. By participating in Achievement Night, 4-H members can qualify to present demonstrations at the Missouri State Fair and to participate in the Educational Tour planned by the Achievement Night Committee. To qualify for the Educational Tour a member must earn a blue ribbon at Achievement Night. Please note that for all events, **no live animals may be used** (sometimes you can substitute a stuffed animal to demonstrate a livestock procedure). Below is a description of Achievement Night events:

AWARDS: Each member will receive a ribbon based on the quality of their participation in each event. Top participants in each event will receive a special rosette ribbon. Those receiving blue ribbons will be invited to participate in the Educational Tour. Those giving demonstrations may qualify to give their demonstration at the Missouri State Fair. Some events allow winners to advance to state competition.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT: In personal development, you have a chance to talk about something you know about...YOU! You can talk about your pets, school, family, hobbies, interests, likes and dislikes, etc. You will start by telling the judge your name and age. Then tell the judge about yourself for 1 minute if you are 10 or younger, or 2 minutes if you are 11 or older. The judge will then ask you some questions about you.

SHOW AND TELL: Show and Tell is for first year members only. You show and tell about something you have made or grown in your project. Tell briefly what the item is, and how you made it. You might also tell why you chose the item, and the easiest and most difficult parts about making it. Keep the object visible at all times. Finish by reviewing what you have told the judge.

FASHION REVUE - the Franklin County Fashion Revue contest will be held separately this year, probably mid to late July.

PUBLIC SPEAKING For more information: <http://www.4h.missouri.edu/public-speaking/opps>
Public Speaking divisions are Junior (age 8-10), Intermediate (age 11-13), and Senior (age 14 and older).

Prepared Speaking: Members can qualify to represent Franklin County at the State Public Speaking Contest by presenting a speech at Achievement Night. The three top speakers at Achievement Night will earn that honor. Members must prepare and present a speech on the topic of their choice. Speeches must be 3-5 minutes for Juniors, 4-6 minutes for Intermediate, and 5-7 minutes in length for Seniors. No visual aids are allowed.

Extemporaneous Speaking: An extemporaneous speech is one that you do not prepare for in advance. Members will draw three topics, spend up to 10 minutes deciding what they want to say about the topic, and then give the talk. Talks should be 3-5 minutes for Juniors, 4-6 minutes for Intermediate, and 5-7 minutes in length for Seniors. The top three in each division can participate in the state competition.

Technology Assisted Presentation: Presentations follow the same rules as Junior and Senior Public Speaking but allows the use of presentation software (such as PowerPoint) to support the presentation. A laptop computer and projector will be available. Think of this as an illustrated talk with the PowerPoint as the visuals. Presentations should be 3-5 minutes for Juniors, 4-6 minutes for Intermediate, and 5-7 minutes for Seniors. The top three in each division can participate in the state competition.

HORSE PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST: Speech topic must relate to the Horse Industry and be 7-10 minutes in length. There are only two divisions in this event, Junior (age 8-13) and Senior (age 14 and older). Top junior and senior advance to state contest. Top senior at state participates in the National Contest. Complete information at: www.4h.missouri.edu/events/horse/#speaking

Interpretation: A dramatic or humorous presentation. The top 5 performers will advance to state.

DEMONSTRATIONS: A demonstration is showing and telling how to make something, or do something, you have learned in your project. Demonstrations should be 8-10 minutes in length (4-6 minutes for 1st to 3rd year members). Posters should be used to show recipes, outline steps in the process, or otherwise help the audience understand what is being done. Those who earn a blue ribbon at Achievement Night can take their demonstrations to the State Fair. You can find a great guide to help prepare a demonstration or illustrated talk at: <http://4h.missouri.edu/doc/Y745-demonstration-worksheet.pdf>

See back for a list of demonstration and illustrated talk opportunities.

Team Demonstrations or Talks: A team of two 4-H members present a demonstration or illustrated talk. Follow the same guidelines for a demonstration or illustrated talk, but coordinate so that each member has a doing/showing and a talking part. Try to plan the presentation so both members have about equal responsibilities.

SPECIAL DEMONSTRATION CONTESTS: There are several special demonstration contests open to Missouri 4-H members. Most of the contests are held at the Missouri State Fair in August. Awards range from trips to participate in National Contests to cash prizes. Members may want to consider these when choosing a demonstration topic for Achievement Night. Additional guidelines and information can be found at: <http://4h.missouri.edu/statefair/4hbuildinginfo>

Egg Demonstration Contest: Contact the Extension Center for contest rules. Top senior demonstrator will participate in the National Contest in Louisville, KY. Information to help prepare for the contest can be obtained by contacting: Jesse Lyons, UMC Animal Science Extension, S-103 Animal Sciences Center, UMC, Columbia, Mo. 65211; phone (573)882-0247. More information at: www2.ca.uky.edu/national4hpoultry/EggPrep.html

Cooking With Honey Contest: Members must use honey grown or made by a Missouri honey producer, provide the producer's name, give nutrition and health benefits or honey and pollinators. Demonstration can be no longer than 20 minutes including prep, presentation, and clean up. Must have samples of the finished product and copies of recipe for judges. Three age division, 8-10, 11-13, 14 and older.

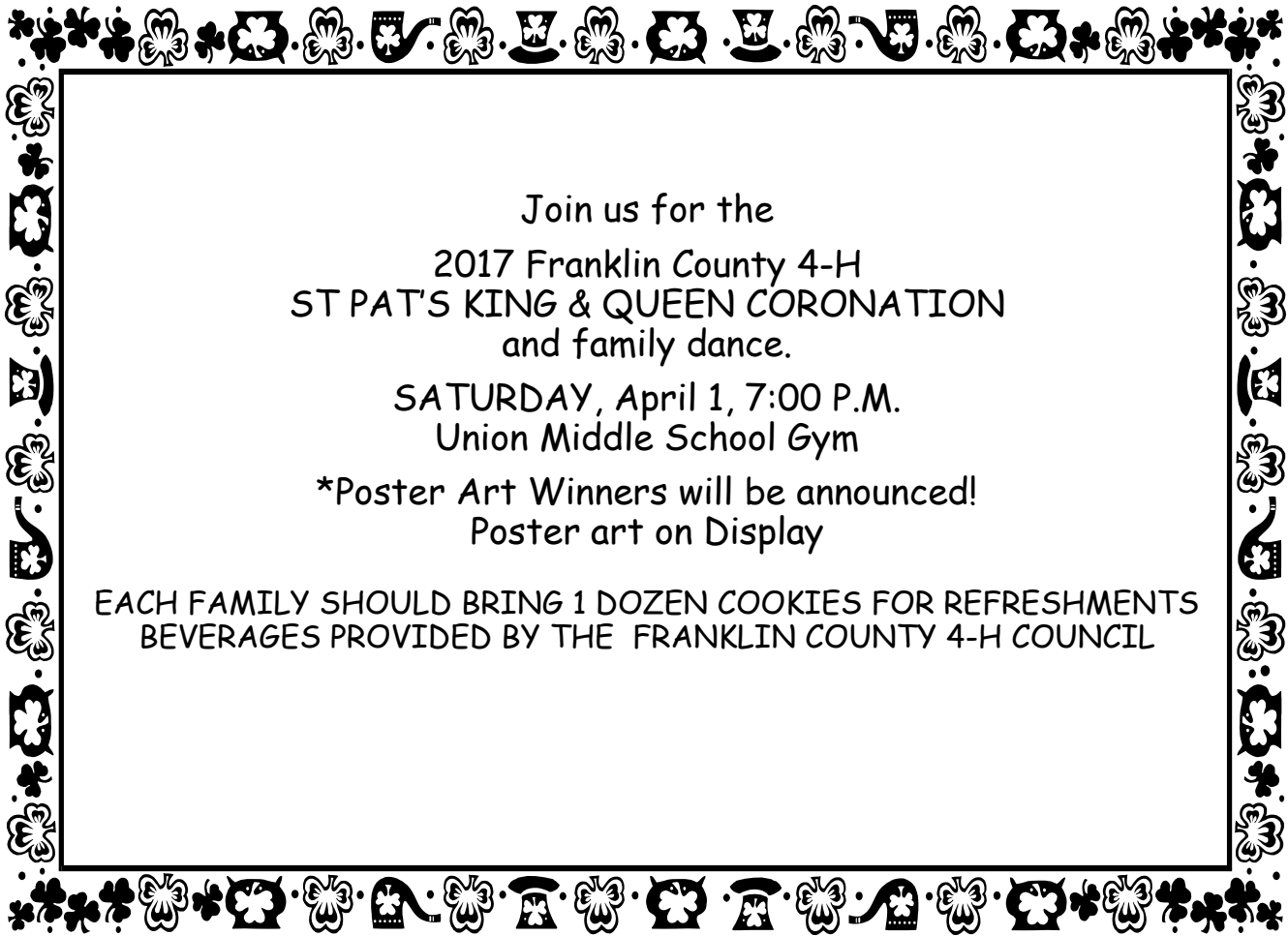
Pork Demonstration Contest: Members must be enrolled in foods or swine project. Demonstration may be on any facet of pork including food, nutrition, production practices, or by-products. Prizes awarded for 1st - 3rd place in three age divisions. Animals may not be used. Three age divisions, 8-10, 11-13, and 14 and older. Each county can send two demonstrators for each division.

International Topic Demonstration Contest: Demonstrations can be about an item that is made in another country, used in another country, or originates from another country. It should include information about the place where the item originates and the people who use the item. If the item is a food item, a copy of the recipe, nutrition information, and a sample of the finished product should be given to the judges. Time limit: 7-10 minutes. Each county can send one in each age division, 8-10, 11-13, 14 and older.

Missouri Grown Foods Demonstration Contest: Demonstration must use a food product produced by a Missouri company, give background on the company, and provide nutrition and preparation information. Must have samples of finished product for judges. Three awards will be given in each age category. Time limit: 7-10 minutes. You can get a copy of the Agri-Missouri Buyers' Guide by calling 1-888-MOBRAND or at www.agrimissouri.com

Electric Theatre Demonstrations: Demonstration can be on any subject but must use electricity, include information on electricity or be about a phase of the 4-H Electricity Project. For example, a visual arts demonstration on wood burning might include some information on safety involving an electric wood burning tool.

Horse Demonstrations: Demonstrations/Illustrated Talk must relate to the horse industry and be 9-12 minutes in length. Top junior and top senior advance to state contest. **Team Horse Demonstrations:** Demonstration/Illustrated Talk is presented by a team of two members. Presentations should be 5-10 minutes for juniors and 10-15 minutes for seniors. The top junior and senior team will participate in the state contest. Get complete information at <http://4h.missouri.edu/horses/horse-public-speaking>



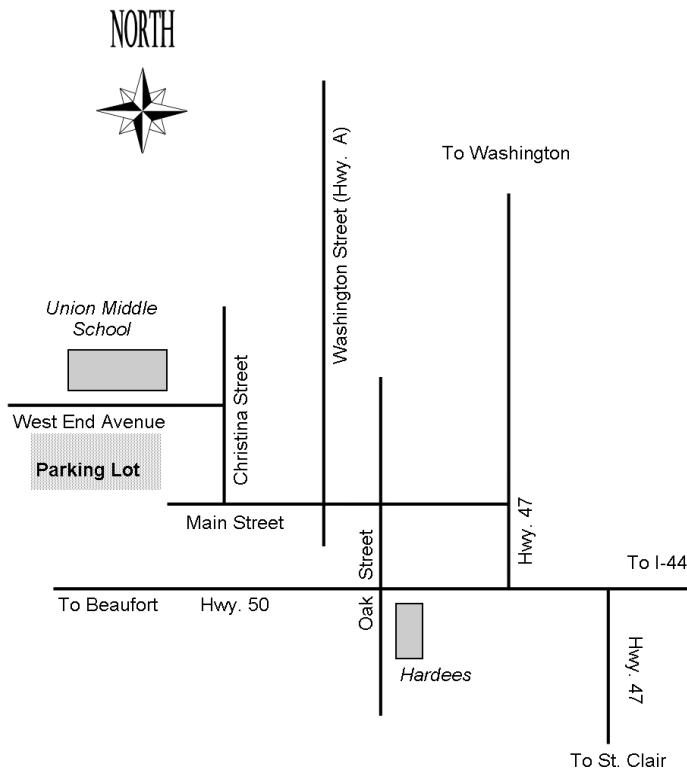
Join us for the
2017 Franklin County 4-H
ST PAT'S KING & QUEEN CORONATION
and family dance.

SATURDAY, April 1, 7:00 P.M.
Union Middle School Gym

*Poster Art Winners will be announced!
Poster art on Display

EACH FAMILY SHOULD BRING 1 DOZEN COOKIES FOR REFRESHMENTS
BEVERAGES PROVIDED BY THE FRANKLIN COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

Map to Union Middle School



TEENS INVITED TO HELP DECORATE ST. PAT'S

4-H teens are invited to help decorate for the St. Pat's Coronation. If you can help, meet us at the Union Middle School at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 1. Decorating usually takes about 2 hours.