CARDINAL RAFFLE TICKETS SALES

Please finish selling your Cardinals Raffle Tickets before May 31 and turn both the ticket stubs and the money collected into your 4-H Club leader.

GASCONADE COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 9—ALL COME

All 4-H club leaders and club representatives need to make plans to attend the Gasconade County 4-H Council meeting, Tuesday, June 9, 7 p.m. in the Farm Bureau meeting room in Owensville. There are several important matters to discuss for the Gasconade County Fair, including sharing the work assignments at the 4-H Building for Exhibit Day and throughout the rest of the Fair.

All 4-H Clubs need to bring Cardinals Raffle Tickets and money collected in to be counted. The drawing will be held at the meeting.

HELP WITH EXHIBIT DAY

4-H members and leaders will be needed to help with Gasconade County building exhibit day on Tuesday, July 28, from 3-8 p.m.

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. Each club has an assigned time to help, so please contact your 4-H Club Leader to volunteer your help.

HELP NEEDED AT GASCONADE COUNTY FAIR

During the Gasconade County Fair, July 29 to August 1 your fellow 4-H members will be displaying the things they made, raised, or grew in the 4-H Youth Building on the fairgrounds. These exhibits will stay in the building during the fair. 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. If someone does not show up when they are scheduled, the building may go unguarded for more than an hour. Please contact your 4-H Club Leader to volunteer your time to help with this important job.

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, and 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 Gasconade County Fair in Owensville, because the best building exhibits at the Gasconade County Fair qualify to be exhibited at the Missouri State Fair. You can find forms and regulations on the Gasconade County Extension website at:

www.extension.missouri.edu/gasconade/fair.aspx

EXHIBIT TAGS FOR FAIR
The exhibit tags are very bulky making them expensive to mail to individual families. This year exhibit tags will be given to 4-H Club Leaders at the 4-H Council meeting. 4-H members should plan to attend the June Club meeting to pick up their exhibit tags and summary sheet for the Gasconade County Fair.

LIVESTOCK ENROLLMENT FORMS DUE JULY 1
Youth exhibiting livestock at the Gasconade County Fair must have their livestock enrollment forms into the office with appropriate fees before July 1, 2015 due date.

You may also show your exhibits at:

- Meramec Community Fair, Sullivan - June 23-27. Fair parade is June 23. Fair books, exhibit tags, parade and other information are available by calling (573) 860-2861 or visit:
  www.merameccommunityfair.com

- New Haven Community Youth Fair, July 10-11. Building exhibits do not have to be pre-registered. For forms and information go to www.nhcyf.com.

- Franklin County Fair, Union, July 8-12. Gasconade County 4-H members may exhibit livestock and participate in the archery contest. Forms and complete information available at: www.extension.missouri.edu/franklin/localfairs.aspx

- Osage County Fair, July 9-11 in Linn. Gasconade County members can participate in the livestock show. Information available at: www.extension.missouri.edu/osage/county-fair.aspx

- Washington Town & Country Fair, August 5-9. Contact the Washington Chamber of Commerce for more information, (636) 239-2715 or go to: www.washmofair.com

CRAWFORD COUNTY SWINE JACKPOT SHOW
The Crawford County Swine Jackpot Show will be held Saturday, June 6, at Hood Park in Cuba, Mo. Complete details for the show are available at:

http://tiny.cc/CCjackpot

MISSOURI STATE FAIR
August 13-23, Sedalia. MO
Livestock, horse show, and dog show entries are due July 1. Building exhibits must be exhibited at the Gasconade County Fair in Owensville to be eligible for the Missouri State Fair.

Exhibitors interested in competing at the Missouri State Fair will be able to access online entry and reserved camping starting Thursday, May 1. New competition registration and camping registration procedures are already posted online at: http://www.mostatefair.com/whats-new/. Updated competition information is also given. For entry forms or more information on the Missouri State Fair, www.mostatefair.com. The premium guide is located at: http://tiny.cc/MSFpremguide.

NEW EVENT AT STATE FAIR
LET’S TALK LIVESTOCK
The purpose of Let’s Talk Livestock is to expand the Missouri State Fair mission, by serving as an agricultural classroom, and offering Missouri 4-H and FFA youth opportunities to showcase high-quality livestock to the fair-going public. The program will consist of short informal demonstrations by 4-H and FFA youth exhibitors during scheduled times during the Fair, with the overall goal of answering the question “Why do you show your __________”

Demonstrations will be conducted for the following livestock: Cattle (beef and dairy) Sheep Swine Poultry Rabbit Equine Goat and Dogs.

Demonstrations shall be approximately 15-20 minutes long, with opportunities for question and answer by fair-goers following. Youth conducting the demonstrations will be given example topics to discuss during their presentation including general information about their animal(s), livestock care, show prep, goals, experience level, family participation, etc. If interested contact the extension office for the form. Any questions contact Bob McNary or Kari Mergen.

SELL YOUR 4-H ITEMS AT THE MISSOURI STATE FAIR
4-H members, age 11-18, can apply to sell your items at the Missouri State Fair on August 13, 14, 15, or 16! 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 by July 1. Find out more at: http://4h.missouri.edu/events/fair/showmewares.htm
BE A PART OF THE GASCONADE COUNTY FAIR PARADE

4-H Clubs, project groups, or other groups can create a parade float for the Gasconade County Fair parade. The parade will be held Thursday, July 30, beginning at 5:30 p.m. The theme this year is “Country Nights and Carnival Lights”. Parade registration forms and information is available at:

www.gasconadecountyfair.com/parade.php

STAY UP TO DATE BY LIKING GASCONADE COUNTY FACEBOOK PAGE

A great way to stay in touch with Gasconade County 4-H is to “like” the Gasconade County Missouri 4-H Facebook page. You can search for the page in Facebook or go to

PUBLIC SPEAKING AND DEMONSTRATION CONTEST

Qualify for State Events

4-H members can prepare a demonstration, illustrated talk, or public speech to present for judging on June 9, presentations will begin at 6:00 p.m. before the 4-H Council meeting. You must pre-register by contacting the Gasconade County Extension office by June 4.

Those who present demonstrations can qualify to take their demonstration to the Missouri State Fair.

Those who participate in any of the state 4-H public speaking events can qualify to participate in the State Public Speaking Contest this fall. State events include Prepared Speaking, Extemporaneous Speaking, Public Service Announcement, Technology Assisted Speaking (such as PowerPoint), and Dramatic or Humorous Interpretation. You can find the guidelines for each event at:

www.4h.missouri.edu/go/events/publicspeaking

RESOURCE TO PLAN A GREAT DEMONSTRATION

4-H demonstrations are a great way for young people to become more comfortable making a public presentation - a skill that will help them be successful in anything they do. A demonstration is simply showing and telling how to do something. A great resource for preparing a demonstration is the 4-H Demonstration Worksheet. You can get a copy from the Missouri 4-H website at:

www.4h.missouri.edu/resources/materials/docs/Y745.pdf

You can find demonstration ideas from the project briefs found under each project on the state 4-H website at: www.4h.missouri.edu/projects/briefs

LAMB SHOWAMANSHIP CAMP—JUNE 20
NEW HAVEN FAIRGROUNDS

The camp will be held on Saturday, June 20 beginning with registration at 8 a.m. at the New Haven Fairgrounds. The camp will run from 8 am—Noon. Bring your lamb ready to show. Please RSVP by calling Bill Placht at 636-432-2702.

NATIONAL 4-H FILM FESTIVAL IN ST. LOUIS
June 14-17

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 St. Louis June 14-17, for the fifth national FilmFest 4-H. The event brings youth together with industry professionals who donate their time and expertise.

FilmFest presenters are all involved in different parts of the film industry. Guests will include Los Angeles-based actress Erica Ibsen of “Dexter” and the upcoming “Joe Dirt 2,” actor Bill Chott of Disney’s “Wizards of Waverly Place,” Patrick Voss of VFX Creative Studios and others. Workshop topics include prop creation, life as a working actor in Hollywood, improvisation techniques, finding success as a producer and more.

Teens who make their own films may submit them for screening at FilmFest by May 15. Youth ages 11-18 can register to attend FilmFest 4-H until June 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/filmfest

ATTENTION 4-H MEMBER
GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL IN 2015

The 4-H Alumni study is looking for graduating high school seniors who were involved in 4-H at any time that they were in grades 9-12. The Alumni Study is an effort to learn more about your participation in 4-H impacts your life after 4-H. Those who participate will complete a simple on-line survey one time each year for the next five years. Those who participate will also be entered into a drawing for a $50 cash prize. I encourage you to take this opportunity to give back to 4-H by becoming a part of the Alumni Study. Those interested should go to:

http://surveys.missouri.edu/Missouri4H

4-H VOLUNTEERS

Make a World of Difference
UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 31—Return Cardinals Raffle Ticket stubs and money to club leaders or office
- June 4-H Club meetings—Get your Exhibit tags from your leader
- June 9—6PM Public Speaking and Demonstration Presentations, pre-register by June 4
- June 9—7PM Gasconade County 4-H Council meeting
- June 9—Lamb Showmanship Camp, New Haven Fairgrounds
- June 20—Meramec Community Fair, Sullivan
- June 26—Register for Fair Parade by 5PM
- June 26—Marshall the Miracle Dog Free Movie, Hermann Amphitheater
- July 1—Livestock forms and fees are due on or before this date

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More than you ever imagined!