THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Our sincere thanks to all the 4-H/FFA members, 4-H council, families, volunteers and fair board members for all of your hard work and dedication providing a great opportunity for our 4-H/FFA youth to showcase their talents and accomplishments during the 2015 Randolph County Fair.  Thanks again for all of your hard work and dedication, this year’s fair was a big success because of all of you!!!

Theresa Hyatt Randolph County Fair Board President would also like to extend a Big Tank You to all the Club Leaders, club members, project leaders, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc. for all of the volunteers who helped make the 2015 Randolph County Fair a HUGE success.  The Randolph County Fair board is always open to suggestions to make the fair better.  The Fair Board meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month at the Youth Cabin in Rothwell Park at 7:30PM.  The meetings are open to the public and we invite and encourage all to attend.  The next meeting is Thursday – August 6, 2015.

SWIM PARTY
A Big Thanks to all 4-H youth and parents who attended the Randolph County Swim Party on Monday, July 27 at the Moberly Aquatic Center. Everyone had a great time and should not have gone home hungry with all the Pizza and soda. The 4-H Council thought this would be a great way to end a spectacular 4-H year and reward our families for all their hard work and dedication.

2015 RANDOLPH COUNTY 4-H FASHION REVIEW

4-H Fashion Review was held Monday – July 13, 2015 at the Little Dixie Regional Library. We had 6 young ladies participate in this event. They were divided into a Jr., Intermediate, and Sr. division. Those participating were:  In the Junior division – Clothes you buy – 1st - Molly Grace Cleavinger a member of the Randolph County Challengers, Intermediate Division – Grace Kertz – a member of Randolph County Challengers and Senior division – Tori Brumbaugh a member of the Randolph County Builders. In Clothes you Make – 1st place Sydney Cleavinger a member of the Randolph County Challengers, Alternate is Grace Kertz also a member of the Randolph County Challengers,.  In the Sr. Division in Clothes You Make 1st place Kayla Maulsby a member of the Westran Ramblers 4-H Club., Alternate – Sadie Phipps also a member of the Westran Ramblers 4-H Club. The 1st place winners will represent Randolph County at the State Fashion Review on September 19, 2015 on the MU Campus.. Congratulations to these 4-H members for a job well done and Good Luck at State.

NEWSLETTER SENT BY E-MAIL
To save on postage we are trying to send the Newsletter by e-mail to the families that we have your e-mail address.  If we do not have an e-mail address for you we will continue sending the letter by mail. If you have a new e-mail address please call the office and give the new one to us.  If you still prefer getting a copy of the Newsletter by mail please let us know. We are just trying to do the best we can.
2015 RANDOLPH COUNTY RECOGNITION PROGRAM

The 2015 Randolph County Recognition Program has been scheduled for Saturday, November 7, 2015 at the Municipal Auditorium. Magic city Clovers Club will be in charge of decorations this year. Westran Ramblers Club will be in charge of tickets and all clubs will be in charge of clean-up.

AWARD FORMS
End of the year award forms and scholarship application packets were mailed out to families the end of August. Completed forms are due back to the Extension Office by 4pm on September 22. Secretary books, Treasurer Books, and Reporter books are also due at this time. No late forms will be accepted.

PROJECT RECORD FORMS
This is something we have not done every year, but starting this year it will be part of the awards program. To get a completion Disc for every project you MUST complete a project report form for each project you have done for the 4-H year. We have lots of the forms in the 4-H office so just come by and get them or Club leaders you can pick them up for all your club members.

RECOGNITION FORMS
Outstanding boy/girl, All around 4-H'er, Quality of Living, Danforth Award, project records, Outstanding Leader and Missouri Report Forms are available from your club leader (Project Record forms and Report Forms are available on the MO 4-H website as well). All forms, Secretary, Treasurer, Historian and Reporter books are due to the Extension Office by September 22nd.

Why would I want to complete these forms?

Project Record Form: If you complete a form for each of your projects you have done this year you will receive a project awards disc. To receive this disc you must completely fill in the banks on this form, have had 6 hours of educational instruction during the year, and if it is a food animal project be up-to-date on the Show Me Quality Assurance class.

Top 8 year old Boy/Girl: The winner of this ward will receive a special award.

Top 12 year old Boy/Girl: The winner will receive a special ward.

Outstanding Boy/Girl Form: the winner of this award will receive an award disc and special gift (You cannot win in the same age category more than once.)

Quality of Living Award Form: this award winner will get a disc. (You may only win this award once)

I Dare You Award Form: the I Dare You Award winner receives a disc, certificate and a book from the Danforth foundation.

Key Award: This award takes time and is a three step/year process. 4-H members that complete this award get State 4-H recognition, a pendant, and an award disc.

Secretary, Treasurer, Historian and Reporter books: the winning club secretary, treasurer, historian, and reporter book receives a gift and a disc.

4-H RE-ENROLLMENTS

It’s time to be thinking about the new 4-H year. The new Clover’s are available now in the office. Re-enrollment will be done on-line again this year. The 2015-20016 club packets have arrived. Club Leaders just need to pick them up. The fees will be $20 per member. Volunteer application forms must be filled out each year.
STATE FASHION REVIEW AND STATE PUBLIC SPEAKING
Those 4-H members who have qualified for the State event in either Fashion Review or Public Speaking may now go to 4-H on-line and register for those events. The deadline to register is August 31, 2015. Do not pay on-line, but send money to office as we will need to send 1 check per event. State Fashion Review is September 19, 2015 and State Public speaking is October 24, 2015.

RANDOLPH COUNTY FAIR BOARD
The Randolph County Fair Board will hold a meeting on September 3rd at 7:30pm at the Youth Cabin. It is important that each 4-H club be represented. If you cannot attend please notify the Extension Office.

RANDOLPH COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL
The Randolph County 4-H Council will hold a meeting on September 21st at 7pm at the Extension Office. It is important that each 4-H club be represented. If you cannot attend please notify the Extension Office.

2015 STATE FAIR EXHIBITORS
After the State Fair the exhibits must be picked back up at the Extension Office by September 1st or they will be discarded.

Thank You Letters
I hope the fair was a good event for you and your family. Whether you felt stressed at times, worn out, elated, disappointed, gratified, or whatever, I hope you can be proud of the entire year of accomplishments of the 4-H members in your family and in your club. I'm sure all of you do feel that pride and enjoyed the opportunity to celebrate the many accomplishments of the 4-H members, the volunteers and of the entire community.

Be sure to thank each other as you come and go and express your appreciation for the opportunities to participate and for the financial support that many offer to make bits and pieces of the whole thing happen at all.

Thank you letters are very important. So write them and send them. A fair is a gift not an entitlement. No one owes anyone a fair. Show your appreciation to the people that spend innumerable hours each year planning and putting on the fair and maybe they will be willing to conduct another fair next year.

Extension Office Hours
The Extension office is open Monday– Friday from 10:00 am–3:00 pm. Thursday – 10AM – 5:30PM

4-H NEWSPAPER EDITION
Each year the Moberly Monitor Index does a 4-H tab in the paper during National 4-H week. Please help me make this the best tab ever by submitting your 4-H story and pictures to the Extension Office by September 12th to be published in this edition. A 4-H story could be what you have learned by participating in 4-H, what you have accomplished, what you like about the program, what your favorite projects or events are and anything else that you would like to share with the community about our great 4-H program. Please put your name on your story and identify who is in the photos and what is happening in the pictures.

CLOVER KIDS DAY AT THE MISSOURI STATE FAIR
Calling all Clover Kids! A special day for Clover Kids is scheduled during the Missouri State Fair in Sedalia on August 16 in the 4-H Building from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Clover Kids will have an opportunity to:
· Display one item made during a Clover Kids meeting or event in the 4-H Building that day
· Receive a State Fair participation ribbon
· Give a demonstration (sign up that day in the 4-H Building)
· Participate in arts/crafts, science and other fun activities

All Clover Kids are encouraged to attend, all you have to do is show up that day in the State Fair 4-H Building.
CLOVER KIDS CORNER
Each Clover Kids Corner provides an activity, information or other materials that Clover Kid leaders can use in planning and implementing experiences that introduce five to seven-year olds to the 4-H concept of learning by doing.

Cricket Thermometer
Crickets are sensitive to changes in air temperature and chirp at faster rates as the temperature rises. It is possible to use the chirps of cricket to gauge temperature.

1. Catch or buy a cricket and put it in a jar.
2. Count the number of times the cricket chirps in 15 seconds.
3. Add 40 to this number.
4. The number you get should be the air temperature in degrees Fahrenheit.

4-H MOVE ACROSS MISSOURI (MOVE)
MOVE promotes physical activity and encourages youth to engage in a broad range of activities such as walking, biking, running, swimming, dance, taekwondo, gardening and more. Enrollment for new and re-enrollment for current MOVE began January 1. Please note that if you are currently enrolled in MOVE you must re-enroll on January 1 or after in order to be a part of the 2015 program. If you do not re-enroll on January 1 or after your efforts will not be counted in 2015.

Using an online or paper copy system, youth and their families can “log” the number of minutes they accumulate throughout the year.

4-H members can enroll in the online MOVE program as individuals and/or as part of a team. An individual MOVE may also be a part of a team. A team can consist of a family or members of a 4-H club or group. MOVE awards will be provided. Stay tuned! MOVE is sponsored by the Missouri Beef Industry Council. For more details visit - http://www.4h.missouri.edu/programs/move/

Monthly MOVEment Activities

Follow the Leader
Ask a participant to lead stretching activities. Help the youth be prepared by discussing all the parts of the body that need to be stretched. Work from the middle of the body (torso) out to the limbs. For example, start at the waist, then do the hips, upper leg, lower leg, ankles, then shoulders, arms and wrists. Make sure no body part is missed! Hold each stretch for 20 to 30 seconds.
Individuals should not bounce as they stretch!

August club leader tips
The club year is coming to a close, and the excitement of a new year is building. Many thanks to you for a job well done! Here are some suggestions and ideas for a strong finish:
1. Award forms, reports, and treasurer’s audits are due by Sept 1st. Encourage members to apply for awards. Complete application for club seal.
2. Elect club officers and leaders prior to taking new members into the club Sept. 1. This will ensue experienced members are elected officers.
3. Discuss new member, and maybe project leader, recruitment and develop a plan to increase membership. Invite prospective new members and volunteers to the first meeting of the new year. Assign a mentor to new members and volunteers to answer their questions during the first meetings.
4. Elect club officers. Some clubs prefer to do this at the first meeting of the new year; others do it in May to utilize the summer for planning.
5. Discuss delivery and pick-up of state fair items as directed by county MU Extension staff.
6. Hand out reenrollment information to current members and volunteers.
7. Report club leaders, officers and 4-H council representatives to the MU Extension center for the upcoming year.
8. Identify club leaders for the coming year, pending volunteer application approval. Notify local MU Extension center of any changes in club leadership. Proposed club leaders sign confidentiality agreement related to the volunteer application process.
August Birthdays

8-1 – Carson Wood
8 -3- Mindy Cunningham, Tiernan Lloyd
8- 4- Thomas Coonan
8-6-Duane Poepppe,
8-7-Jessica McKeown
8-8-Seton Miller
8-10- Marla Stegal
8-11- Elijah Elliott
8-12 Kari Devenport
8-14- Alexis Widaman, Claton Ancell
8-15- Aiden Sly
8-18- Lindsey Hunt
8-22- Julie Wood
8-23- Ashley Kippes
8-29 – Shelby Baughman

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU FROM THE STAFF AT THE RANDOLPH COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE!

DATES TO REMEMBER

**August**
6 - Randolph County Fair Board Meeting, 7:30 pm at the Youth Cabin
13 - 23 - 2015 Missouri State Fair
14 - State Fair Clover Kids Day
22 State Trap Shoot – Linn Creek
22-23 – State Archery NFAA 300
24 – Start picking up items that were exhibited at the State Fair
31 – Deadline to register for State Fashion Review and State Public Speaking

**September**
3 – Randolph County Fair Board meeting – 7:30 – at Youth Cabin
12 – State Livestock Judging
19 – State Fashion Review
19 - 20 – State Shooting Sports
22 – **Awards Forms due in the Extension office by 4:00PM**
21 – Randolph County 4-H Council meeting – 7:00PM – Extension office

**October**
1 – Randolph County Fair Board meeting – 7:30 – Youth Cabin
24 – State Public Speaking – MU Campus

**November**
7 – Randolph County 4-H Recognition Program – 6:00PM