2015 4-H ENROLLMENT
We are glad to announce that Ray County 4-H members and volunteers can now begin entering your information into the Missouri 4HOnline enrollment system. Please log on at http://mo.4honline.com A link to detailed, step-by-step instructions is included on the login screen, but we think you will find the system very easy to navigate. But just in case—http://4h.missouri.edu/enroll/index.htm.

To assist families with this transition, please call if you have questions. If we need to setup a special time to get you enrolled we can do that. We look forward to a great year and appreciate your support and patience as we work together to “Make the Best Better” for Ray County 4-H! State 4-H member dues are $8/member. Ray County 4-H enrollment time closes December 1st for the 2015 4-H year. Clubs need to send in $8.00/member for state dues to Ray County 4-H by January 5th.

4-H literature—members & leader will be the responsibility of the clubs or individuals for the 4-H year.

ALL volunteer application forms will go through a child abuse & neglect screening along with a criminal records screen. Volunteers will not be recognized until the process is completed. Volunteers will receive a postcard of approved notification.

“Remember: To Set Your Clocks Back on 11/2/14”
AWARD SPONSORS
Sponsors give a lot to 4-H!
Their support is greatly appreciated! Please send a “thank you” to: Richmond Rotary Club, Mark Guy, President, 312 Dunns Lane, Richmond MO 64085. They contributed $250 for 4-H awards.

4-H COUNCIL
The Ray County 4-H Council will meet Monday, November 24, 2014, 7:00 p.m., at the Extension Center in Richmond. Please have your club represented. We will review: awards, discuss committee structure and other changes, as needed.

4-H DAY WITH THE CHIEFS!
“4-H Day with the KC Chiefs” is set for December 28th against the San Diego Chargers. Tickets are $35 each. The order deadline is Friday November, 28. Tickets available until then or sold out so order early. http://4h.missouri.edu/events/chiefs/index.htm

HAM CURING
The Ray County 4-H & FFA “Country Cured Ham Project” will get underway mid-January. Members will need to make a $20.00 deposit/ham by January 3rd. (Please note----new members may not be on the current mailing list so clubs will need to notify them of this project requirement. It is each person’s responsibility to get the deposit in on time.)
The date will be announced next month.

HOLIDAY COMMUNITY SERVICE
Salvation Army & the Ministerial Alliance are working together this holiday season to provide food, clothing & toys for Ray County families. The choices are: The Angel Tree, Food baskets, Toys, and/or on-going direct assistance. So if your 4-H club or family would be interested in assisting, please have the items to Salvation Army Store in Richmond by December 10th. Bell Ringing begins November 28th at the Richmond Wal-Mart, if your club would like to volunteer to fill a spot---please call SA at 776-8191.

Shirkey’s will be doing “The Christmas Gift Shop” for their resident’s to select family gifts. To assist--take items there by December 1st.

VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION TRAINING
All 4-H volunteer leaders must complete the orientation training prior to working with 4-H members. Ray County 4-H will host one-training for the program year. After that date, you will have to do the on-line version. The training will be on—Monday, December 8th, 6:45-8:45pm at the Extension Center in Richmond. You must RSVP by December 4th—the session will be cancelled if less than 5 pre-register.

Connect to the online training at: http://4h.missouri.edu/foundation/getinvolve d/volunteer/volunteerorientation/index.html

PROJECT BRIEFS
Project Briefs were developed to assist leaders in getting started with their projects. The individual project pages now have a description, curriculum (images and some free downloads), project briefs, skill-a-thons and character connections.

Check for: Judging classes, Brown Bag Demonstrations and Grab & Go Projects that have been developed at http://4h.missouri.edu/projects

NW REGIONAL ENERGIZER
Mark your calendar! Come join with 4-H families from the 19-county region for the 2015 Northwest Regional 4-H Energizer on Saturday, January 24th at the Hamilton Elementary in Hamilton MO from 8:30 am - 3:00 pm. to participate in a variety of workshops and activities. It’s—“A Day of 4-H learning” for all ages—Clover Kids, youth & adults; along with community service projects, tasty food and fun. What a great way to get new ideas, meet new people, and find out about other programs 4-H offers! The cost is $10/person, with meal included, if you pre-register by January 9th and $15 after that date. Some workshops have limited spots. So register early for best choices! Watch for flyer in the December 4-H newsletter.
TEEN OPPORTUNITIES

OFFICER TRAINING

4-H club officers & interested youth in “Team Building” are invited to attend the officer training workshop. Join us for “pizza” at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, November 3rd at the Extension Center. The workshops will start about 6:30 p.m. Discover your duties as a 4-H officer and practice basic meeting procedure. Concludes @ 8:30 pm.

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Are you interested in representing Ray County 4-H on the Missouri State 4-H Council? In 2015 you would assist in planning the State Teen Conference & State 4-H Congress! Applications are due December 1st. Application is: 1) a letter of intent 2) application, 3) MO Report Form & 4) a reference from your Youth Specialist.

4-H CIVILIAN OFFICER TRAINING

Join Missouri 4-H--June 20-29, 2015 for a trip to Washington, D.C. & New York City! CWF is a week-long leadership program for 4-H members, ages 14-18 and you stay at the National 4-H Conference Center, near D.C. You’ll see national landmarks and meet your elected officials. Total Trip Cost: $2000--Costs include all travel expenses on chartered bus, tours/ticket costs, lodging at 4-H Center and hotels, meals, registration for the CWF conference, Dinner Theatre, CWF & Missouri 4-H polo shirts. Cost includes funds for meals while traveling. Your only expenses is cost of souvenirs. Payment Schedule: of $500 each December 1--& app; January 15; February 15 and April 15 Application available: http://4h.missouri.edu/events/cwf More info @ www.citizenshipwashingtonfocus.org Ray County 4-H Council will pay $250 of this trip for eligible members.

PROJECT INFORMATION

COUNTY SHOOTING SPORTS

The November County Shooting Sports will meet on Saturday, November 1st at 8:30AM at the FFA/4-H Building Richmond fairgrounds.

COUNTY SAFETY CLASS

The 2015 Ray County 4-H Shooting Sports project will meet December 5th (6-9pm) & December 6th (8am-12noon) for the required Safety Class at the FFA/ 4-H Building on the fairgrounds in Richmond. This is for first time members in Shooting Sports that need the safety class and you must attend both of the sessions to meet the requirement.

HIPPOLOGY & HORSE BOWL

Are you interested in learning more about your horse--plan to become a Hippology/Horse Bowl member. You study colors, breeds, parasites, body systems, bits, feeds, uses, defects. Just come see what we do! We have fun, all the while learning about our horses. Contact: Kim Zimmerman at 816-590-0610 or kkzman@hotmail.com; Ted Perry at 816-305-0548 or tmaperry@aol.com, or Sherri Murray at 816-838-9321 or smteddy91@yahoo.com More information will be posted in the December newsletter.

CLUB REPORTS

Millville 4-H Club met October 1st with 30 members. Elected officers: President—Allie Renfro; Vice-President—Zane Renfro; Secretary—Ben Dana; Treasurer—Rance Waigand; Reporter—Jodi Robinson; Historian—Alexa Waigand and Song & Game Leaders-Jesse & Wyatt Covey. Members made posters for 4-H Week. Each table group worked on a poster and then one in the group took the poster to put up in a business or other location if given permission. Next Meeting: 11/5/14 Jodi Robinson, Reporter

Clever Clovers 4H Club met October 14th with 18 members present. The club discussed: the member dues to see if we would have a fundraiser to assist with the dues increase. Club members are to bring non-perishable food items to the next meeting for the Good Samaritan Center for Thanksgiving. Installation of officers was led by Vicki Squires & Kim Zimmerman. All new officers took part in adding layers to our banana splits to represent the importance of everyone’s role as an officer in our club. Ashley Stewart, Kaitlyn Zimmerman & Zach Stewart reported on the 4-H Banquet. Next meeting we will discuss Fall Fundraiser & Christmas Community Service project. Next Meeting: 11/11/14 Aracely Lopez, Reporter

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Guys & Gals 4-H Club met October 9th with 15 members present. Member pins and leader certificates were given out by Ms. Russell and she recognized the county award winners from the club. Enrollment information was discussed and it will be emailed out to members. Officers elected were: President—Lydia Russell; Vice-President—Olivia Kincaid; Secretary—Lyssa Green; Treasurer—Emily Henderson; Reporter—Blake Logsdon; Historian—Aspen Erskine and 4-H Council Reps—Emily Henderson, MyKayla Shank, Gwen Gilbow & Will Erskine. Due to Bank of America closing the club voted to move the checking account to Community Bank of Missouri. October birthdays were—Lydia Russell & Morgan Meroney. Mr. Erskine announced that a guest speaker will be at the February Shooting Sports meeting and everyone is invited to come!

Next Meeting: 11/13/14 Blake Logsdon, Reporter

Olde Tyme 4-H Club met October 14th with 25 members present. Discussion consisted of future concession stand working standards and new officers were election. Dates: Mums and Pumpkins Petting Zoo, Oct 18th 10 am - 4pm in Excelsior Springs; fall party. November 1st; Shooting Sports-Nov 1st; Team Building training will be Nov 3rd, 6pm--RSVP 10/27.

Next Meeting: 10/11/14 Corbynn Boyer, Reporter

FOURCAST

NOVEMBER
1 County Shooting Sports, 8:30am, Richmond
2 Remember ---“Time Changes”—Fall Back
3 4-H Officer Training, 6-8:30pm, Richmond
11 Veteran’s Day, Office Closed
24 4-H Council Meeting, 7pm, Richmond
27-28 Thanksgiving Holidays, Office Closed

DECEMBER
1 4-H Member & Leader Enrollments Due
5 Shooting Sports Safety, Part I, 6-9pm
6 Shooting Sports Safety, Part II, 9am-12 noon
8 Volunteer Training, 6:45pm. Richmond
25 Merry Christmas, Office Closed
26 Holiday, Office Closed

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