**WINNERS**

Thank you to all 4-H members that exhibited at the Ray County Fair! Each of you had outstanding exhibits and we had lots of compliments on your accomplishments. Here’s special recognition to the top Ray County Fair 4-H award winners.

*Fashion Revue*
- Genevieve Keighley
- Julia Reynolds
- Alison Coats
- Sterling Siemens
- Ella LaDue
- Chloe Robeson
- Jayla Jones
- Allie Renfro

*Demonstrations*
- Ashley Stewart
- Noah Wagner
- *Dogs*
  - Alyssa Edwards
  - Haylee Edwards

*Goats*
- Rance Waigand
- Tyler Pyle
- *Sheep*
  - Nolan Olinger
  - Haylee Edwards

*Rabbits*
- Ariel Propes
- Ashley Stewart

*Cats*
- Caitlynn Payton
- Corbynn Boyer

*Hams*
- Chandler Wheeler

*Poultry*
- Tatum Floyd
- Lane Crinigan
- *Cocker Spaniel Pet*
  - Ava Bozarth
  - Hannah Wagner

*Beef*
- Abby Vandiver
- Taylor McEachlin

*Clover Kid Pet*
- Carsey Calvert
- Hannah Wagner
- Amanda Wollard

*Ham*
- Kaitlyn Zimmerman

*Swine*
- Ariel Propes
- Ashley Stewart

*Clover Kid Pet*
- Morgan Scarborough

*Clover Kid Pet*
- Zanna Oster
- Amber Sanders

*Swine*
- Dominic Hagerle
- Kade Gutierrez

*Shooting Sports*
- MyKayla Shank
- Ethan Williams

*Swine*
- Corbynn Boyer
- Lane Crinigan

*Ham*
- Piper Killingsworth

*Shooting Sports*
- Joel Richards, President,
  PO Box 186, Richmond MO 64085

**Please Say “THANK YOU”!**

A special thanks to “each of you” that helped with the fair. Ray County Fair support for all 4-H/FFA events total was $60,300.00. Plus: providing ribbons, trophies, facilities & MANY hours of volunteer time to get the grounds & events ready. PLEASE send a “THANK YOU” to: Ray County Fair, Inc., Joel Richards, President, PO Box 186, Richmond MO 64085. A special note goes a long way when we contact sponsors in 2016! Please send other trophy sponsors your thank you note to them. It is up to each 4-H member & club to be sure & “thank” the sponsors for their support.
**GENERAL NEWS**

**RAY COUNTY FAIR**

What a fair! We had super 4-H members & others assisting throughout the fair and we appreciate that. Please remember to “thank”—State Bank—our t-shirt sponsor. Please send note to: Vickie McGinnis, President, 803 Wollard Blvd, Richmond MO 64085.

**MISSOURI STATE FAIR EXHIBITS**

Did you have a purple ribbon on your 4-H exhibit? Congratulations—that means an exhibit of yours was selected for the MSF. Here’s the 2015 Ray County—State Fair Exhibitor’s!

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You can have up to 2 exhibits on display in the 4-H building, so if you were extra lucky, you may have to make a choice. Items need to be at the Extension Center in Richmond by 11:00 a.m. Friday, August 7th. **NOTE: Large items, ex.—woodwork—you can bring a 5x7 photo of the exhibit; but let us know by noon on August 4th.**

Please be prompt in picking up the State Fair items at the Extension Center August 25th -27th due to our limited space.

**CLOVER KIDS DAY**

“4-H Clover Kids Day”—go to the MSF on Sunday, August 16th to the 4-H Building at the from 9am-3pm. Clover Kids—have the opportunity to: exhibit 1 item; receive a State Fair ribbon; you can even give a demonstration—you sign up that day. Have fun and explore the fair!

**LEADER INFORMATION**

**CLUB LEADER UPDATE**

Please come and share successes and information with other community club leaders on “what works best for your club”. Join us, **Monday evening, August 17th, 6:45-8:15 pm** at the Extension Center in Richmond. Lite snacks will be served. All clubs need to have a representative at this meeting. **Please RSVP by August 12th**. Clubs will receive----4-H Update Packets which include the 2016 enrollment information & other organizational materials. All volunteer leaders must complete the volunteer form each year.

**Discover the Clover**

**CLUB INFORMATION**

**4-H END OF YEAR**

The 2015 4-H year is closing, so it’s time for awards! As a 4-H member you can apply for various awards so please complete the enclosed form. **Award forms** are due **August 26th** along with the secretary, treasurer and historian books. Required club books of (secretary & treasurer) must be turned in by this date to be considered for the award. **Ambassador Applications are due September 10th**. **Ambassador candidates only**---are interviewed on **Sunday, September 20th**, beginning at 2:00 PM.

**YOUTH SERVICE TO COMMUNITIES**

The community service form—LG760 is in the Clover (pages 71-72) or a web fillable PDF form [http://4h.missouri.edu/projects/service/docs/LG760FILL.pdf](http://4h.missouri.edu/projects/service/docs/LG760FILL.pdf). Please send all forms to the Extension Office by August 15th in The Clover it says to send to state office, but please disregard and we will forward on to the state 4-H office.
NEW 4-H YEAR

4-H enrollment time is nearing. The new 4-H year begins—October 1. Yes, that is correct. Last year was full of new processes for 4-H enrollment and registration in Missouri 4-H, we went through some ups and downs but we survived and are hoping this year will be much easier for all of us. Along with the 4-HOnline enrollment system, there will be one more change – the new 4-H year will begin on OCTOBER 1!

In order to close out the 2014-15 year, 4-HOnline will not be available to anyone – includes the Extension Center, last two weeks of September. Please plan ahead and make sure you have the information you need before it closes. 4-HOnline will be up & running for enrollment on October 1.

When enrolling in 4-H for the 2016 program year, please remember that state dues increased to $20 per member on January 1, 2015. All enrollments will be done on 4HOnline. You will be able to pay by credit card or check.

ALL leaders will need to complete a new volunteer form for 2016. We must have all leader & member forms turned in by December 1st. ALL project materials will need to be purchased for leaders & members by the clubs or individuals. The office does not have project books for purchase, but you can come in and review them.

SHOOTING SPORTS

COUNTY SHOOTING SPORTS

NO August County Shooting Sports.

The 2016 Ray County 4-H Shooting Sports project will start--September 12th (due to Labor Day weekend prior), 8:30 am at the fairgrounds in Richmond. It’s a great state practice.

Be sure and notify new members so they can get started on the 10 hours that they need to qualify for county/state shooting sports. But they must have their safety class first.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION…….If your club has members in shooting sports the club needs to have at least one leader certified.

The trainings are only offered in the fall and spring.

If an individual was certified they must remain active or they are no longer recognized a certified shooting sports instructor.

SHOOTING SPORTS CERTIFICATION

The "fall" Shooting Sports leader workshop has been moved to late summer, August 28-30 at LifeChange Camp near Clinton MO. Registration is via 4-H Online and is anticipated to open July 15. Workshop classes will close as class size limits are reached, no later than August 15. Information will be posted to the 4-H Shooting Sports web site: http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports/workshop.htm

STATE SHOOTING SPORTS TRY-OUTS

Are you as a 4-H member interested in being part of the 2016 state shooting teams? Check out the information on the 4-H Shooting Sports website: http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports/contests.htm

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Back to School

GOOD LUCK
HAVE A GREAT
SCHOOL YEAR & 4-H YEAR!

CLUB REPORTS

Lawson 4-H Club met July 2nd with 13 members present. Club is turning 70!

Lawson 4-H met May 8 with 12 members present. Fundraiser money was turned in. Car wash/bake sale at O’Reilly Auto in Excelsior on 5/23. Sadie & Jaylin making posters and Alyssa flyers. Time is 10am–pm. 4-H Council meeting & 4-H Camp were discussed. Wildlife & Photography members took an outing to the Fish Hatchery near Warsaw on June 13th with Jeni Reynolds. Members & families were invited to stay at Reynold’s cabin or camp out. Marlys displayed her quilt project. Clover Kids showed their project they made.

Next meeting: 8/6/15 Edwards, Reporter

Dale Patton 4-H Club met July 26th with 5 members & their families enjoying a watermelon party! Club Ambassador candidates were selected: Seniors—Emily Martens & Corbin Calvert and Juniors—Carsey Calvert & Pete O’Connor. Important dates are: Secretary books

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due—8/26, Ambassador Interviews—9/20 @ 2pm, 4-H Council—9/28 and 4-H Banquet—10/3. Projects meting were: woodwork & Ham Curing. No August meeting.

Dale Patton 4-H met June 14th with 6 members having Ice Cream! Everyone started a bracelet craft project.

Next Meeting: 9/20/15   Emily Martens, Reporter

Guys & Gals 4-H Club met June 11th with 6 members present. Duties of the Ray County Fair responsibilities were discussed. Emily Henderson will contact families for time slots for the concession stand & building monitors. Project reports were given on & by: Horses—Emily Henderson, Dogs—Kota and Blake Logsdon—Shooting Sports. Lyssa Green reminded everyone on the RCF & State Fair dates.

Next meeting: 8/13/15   Blake Logsdon, Reporter

Olde Tyme 4-H Club met in May with 19 members present. Garden kids discussed their planting process. Shooting Sports told what they were doing. A report was given on the African Library Project. Discussion was held on fundraising. Talked about the Lawson Picnic Petting Zoo on July 10-11, will setup on the 9th. Poultry Day is June 13th in Columbia. Trash cleanup date for the fair is July 12th. All clubs are responsible for helping setup & helping during Achievement Day. Blue Ribbon 4K Run is June 27th. Orscheln’s is sponsoring a Pet Photo Contest and due by June 30th. (Late)

Next meeting: Corbynn Boyer, Reporter
RAY COUNTY 4-H AWARD OPPORTUNITIES
The 4-H year is about to close, and it is time for awards. Each year the Ray County 4-H program recognizes 4-H members and leaders who have completed the 4-H year at our 4-H Awards Banquet.

4-H BANQUET DATE is: October 3rd.

Junior & Senior Ambassador Candidates are the ONLY ones that must be interviewed. The other awards are based on the application.

COUNTY PROJECT MEDAL awards are determined by a 4-H’er completing the MO Report Form.

AMBASSADORS—Clubs need to select their 4-H Ambassador candidates. Junior Ambassadors must have been in 4-H for 2 years and be 10 years of age. Senior Ambassadors must have been in 4-H for 3 years and be 14 years of age. Interviews will be on Sunday, September 20th. Ambassadors MUST be present for the interview and be in attendance at the banquet to receive the Award.

CLOVER KID AWARD is for 4-H members in the 5-8 age group. The award is based on their 4-H involvement. Two awarded.

SECRETARY, TREASURER, & HISTORIAN BOOK awards will be given to each group based on neatness and completeness of the respective award.

REPORTER AWARD is given to the club reporter that submits the majority of club meeting reports in a timely manner to the 4-H office for publication in the monthly newsletter.

FOOD AWARD is presented to a junior (10-13) and a senior (14-19). 4-H member must have been in the foods project for a minimum of 2 and 3 years respectively.

We also recognize: project members, secretaries, historians, reporters, food awards, clover kids, ambassadors, outstanding members, key award, I Dare You award and Friend of 4-H. If you would like to apply for any award that applies to you, please do. ALL forms are due in the Extension Center by August 26th, except Ambassador Applications are due September 10th.

No late applications accepted!

OUTSTANDING MEMBERS is for 4-H members in the 8-13 age group. You must have been in 4-H for 2 years. Six can be selected, they are not interviewed.

4-H KEY AWARD is one of the highest 4-H honors a member can receive through 4-H. Applicants must be 14 and over. You must request the”special scorecard” prior to the deadline.

I DARE YOU AWARD—the 4-H member must be nominated by a 4-H leader and submit the special application form on behalf of the member. Club leaders will receive this information but other 4-H leaders can nominate 4-H members.

THE FRIEND OF 4-H AWARD is given to a person, business or organization that has given support to Ray County 4-H. (This award is not for current 4-H leaders or parents of members.) To nominate someone for the award: list their name & address along with their significant contribution made to 4-H.

Award Applications may be copied from this form or are available at the Extension Center. Please be sure your 4-H club nominates potential recipients.
RAY COUNTY
4-H AWARD APPLICATION

Name_____________________________
Age(1/1/15):_______ Phone __________
Address __________________________
City_______________________________
Email______________________________
4-H Club:__________________________
Years in 4-H ______
Number of Projects Completed in 2015 ______

APPLYING FOR: Age as of JANUARY 1
5-8 year olds
______Clover Kid Award
8-13 year olds
______Jr. Ambassadors:
    Male _______ Female _______
    ____ Outstanding Member ___Received before
    (Priority--Will Select One per year of age)
    ____ Jr. Food Award
14 and Over
______Sr. Ambassadors:
    Male _______ Female _______
    ____ Sr. Food Award
    ____ Key Award _______ “I Dare You”

Attended:
4-H Camp ( ); Teen Conference ( );
State Congress ( ); Citizenship Youth Forum ( );
CWF, Washington D.C ( )

Have Received:
Key Award ( ); I Dare You Award ( );
Outstanding Member ( );
Food Award – Junior ( ) or Senior ( );
Clover Kid Award ( )

CLOVER KIDS
CK1. On additional paper list accordingly and attach to this form.
A. Two accomplishments you have made in 4-H this year.
B. 4-H project you liked best and why this year
C. Committees served on
D. Demonstrations given (club and county)
E. Your involvement in non 4-H activities (school, church, community)
CK2. Please write a paragraph on
   “What 4-H Means To You”

REGULAR MEMBERS
RM1. On additional paper list and number accordingly and attach to this form.
A. 4 accomplishments you made in 4-H this year.
B. 4-H projects completed this year.
C. Club offices and committees served on.
D. Leadership roles in 4-H (county and state).
E. Demonstrations/public speaking given (club, county and state)
F. State Contests you have participated in.
G. Community Service you have done with your 4-H club.
H. Your involvement in non 4-H activities (school, church, community)
RM2. Please write 2-3 paragraphs on
      “What 4-H Means To You”

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