

The Ray County Fourcast



"A NEWSLETTER FOR RAY COUNTY 4-H FAMILIES
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Clovers to...

- ☘ **"Happy Father's Day" to all Dad's**---thanks for all of your support & assistance with 4-H activities throughout the year!
- ☘ Congratulations to other Ray County 4-H High School Graduates! All the Best to our seniors: **Cassandra Davis of Excelsior; Matt Nilges, Maggie Perry & Chelsea Queen all of Lawson and Adam Hellman of Richmond.**
- ☘ Congratulations to---**Travis Luther of Olde Tyme 4-H** for receiving a MO State Fair Youth In Agriculture \$1000 Scholarship! Congrats also to **Leslie Russell of Guys & Gals 4-H** for receiving a \$1000 4-H Orscheln's Scholarship.
- ☘ **Katelyn Hoskins, Lauren Twyman and Joe Wollard** for being selected 4-H Camp Counselors.
- ☘ Headed to 4-H Camp---**Brooke Nail, Abby Nail, Emily Henderson, Cody Hoskins, Piper Killingsworth & Cara Wyse of Orrick 4-H; Effenni Syphert of Olde Tyme 4-H; Cloyce Wollard & LaDonna Wollard of Central 4-H** will be joining 90 other campers from 6 counties.

MY FATHER

- 4 Years Old:** My daddy can do anything.
5 Years Old: My daddy know a whole lot.
6 Years Old: My dad is smarter than your dad!
8 Years Old: My dad doesn't exactly know everything.
10 Years Old: In the olden days, when my dad grew up things were sure different.
12 Years Old: Oh, well, naturally, Dad doesn't know anything about that. He is too old to remember his childhood.
14 Years Old: Don't pay attention to my dad. He is so old-fashioned.
21 Years Old: Him? He's hopelessly out of date.
25 Years Old: Dad knows about it, but then he should because he has been around so long.
30 Years Old: Maybe we should ask dad what he thinks. After all he has had a lot of experience.
35 Years Old: I'm not doing a single thing until I talk to dad!
40 Years Old: I wonder how Dad would have handled it. He was so wise.
50 Years Old: I'd give anything if Dad were here now so I could talk this over with him. Too bad I didn't appreciate how smart he was. I could have learned a lot more from him.

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General News

PLEASE NOTE:

**This 4-H Newsletter is a combined issue
"JUNE & JULY 2011".**

MEMBER STANDING

Member in Good Standing" Means that you, the 4-H member were enrolled by the deadline date, paid member dues, fundraising money turned in and attended a majority of the club & project meetings that are required by the club & county. Clubs may also have other requirements that need to be met such as community service hours, etc. Members in good standing are eligible to exhibit/show at the fair and receive a completion pin at the end of the year.

HELP—4-H FAMILIES

In response to the devastating tornadoes in Jasper & Newton Counties, 4-H through "Kids Helping Kids" has contacted us for support towards 4-H helping the 4-H affected families. The MO State 4-H Council is donating all Kids Helping Kids proceeds between now and July 1 to provide focused relief to 4-H families affected by this disaster. The Missouri 4-H Foundation encourages your support of this effort, and they will match all contributions up to \$5,000. **100% of the money collected** will go to the families!

Donations may also be made by check or credit card. Checks made out to "Missouri 4-H Foundation" with Kids Helping Kids in the memo line then send to the Missouri 4-H Foundation, 819 Clark Hall, Columbia MO, 65211. Credit card donations may be made at <http://4h.missouri.edu/foundation/>

SOAR TO SPACE CAMP

Soar with Missouri 4-H as it travels to the **U.S. Space & Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama from September 29 — October 2, 2011**. You must be in the 6th grade or above at the time of the trip. **First time applicants given priority**. The "4-H Missions in Space" program is 3 days of non-stop activities exploring the history: present/future of manned space flight. Lot's of hands-on training for a

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space shuttle mission, experiencing both shuttle/space station simulators & IMAX presentations! A wonderful opportunity for youth in 6th grade through high school! Space is limited. Registrations on a first-come basis. **Pre-Registration w/deposit due JUNE 17th the cost of the trip is \$465.00 for 4-H members and \$495.00 for non-members. (\$200.00 due June 17 with registration; balance due July 29.)** For more info or registration materials <http://extension.missouri.edu/marion/SpaceCamp>

SWIM @ CO-CO KEY WATER RESORT

Looking for something fun to do? The Holiday Inn SE -CoCo Key Water Resort is offering discounts to 4-H groups who would like to swim this summer or even this winter when it gets cold. Packages start at only \$8 which includes a day of fun at their Water Resort. For more information or to book a group adventure contact: (816) 737-4775.

PROJECT NEWS

FOOD PRESERVATION CLASS

MU Extension in partnership with the Ray Co Health Dept will be offering: "**Preserving the Harvest**" **Workshop**—Thursday, July 14th, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Health Dept, 820 E. Lexington Street in Richmond. You must pre-register by **July 7th**! There are scholarships available to 4-H families. Otherwise there is a \$15 cost to cover materials. The workshop covers freezing & canning methods and the latest research,

Registration forms are available from the Extension Center at 776-6961. For more information about the workshop content, contact Lynda Johnson, Nutrition Specialist at 660.584.3658 or email: johnsonl@missouri.edu

Discover the Clover Missouri Volunteer Forum



**November 4-5, 2011
Columbia, Missouri**

You give your time and commitment directly from the Heart! For our wonderful volunteers, we offer a conference designed especially for you.

Come, experience, learn, refresh, and meet others who give so much to the 4-H program.

LIVESTOCK

MARKET LAMBS

If showing lambs at the MO State Fair—you need to nose print the lambs on MO State Fair cards by June 10th and return to the extension center to be signed & I will send on to the MO State Fair.

SMQA CARDS

Just a reminder that to show at the "Ray County Fair" & "MO State Fair" all 4-H youth showing a meat product animal (beef, dairy, goats, poultry, rabbits, sheep & swine) must have a "Show Me Quality Assurance" card. You will be asked to present it when you check in at the entry desk.

If you have not done the certification you can do it on-line at <http://www.agebb.missouri.edu/smqa/>

SHOOTING SPORTS

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JUNE---Shooting Sports will meet Saturday, June 4th at the fairgrounds in Richmond at 8:30AM. If you are short qualifying hours you need to contact your shooting sports discipline leader or Shelly Hoskins to see about make up hours.

JULY---Ray County Shooting Sports will not meet--July 2nd due to that being a holiday weekend.

For fair---everyone must turn in your shooting sports discipline hours sheet when you make entry for the fair--if no hour sheets turned in, you cannot shoot. Entry deadline is June 13th.

The State Contest will be August 27th at Linn Creek and September 17th-18th, near Columbia. You must shoot at county in order to qualify for the state shoot.

EQUINE NEWS

HORSEMANSHIP COMMITTEE

Ray County Horsemanship Committee meets Monday, June 6th, 7PM at the Extension Center. Will finalize plans for the RCF County Horse Show.

STATE FAIR HORSE SHOW

MO 4-H/FFA State Fair Horse Show entries are due July 1st to the MO State Fair in Sedalia.



RAY COUNTY FAIR

Fair time is here! Ray County 4-H hopes that you have fun at the fair events.

Fairbooks were given out at your club meetings! Club leaders will have the books—one/family. Copies at the extension center will be \$2.00 each. You may stop by the extension center for additional entry tags at no charge.

June 13th is Entry deadline for RCF events, except Horse Show & it is due June 1st.

FAIR ELIGIBILITY

Please check with your club leader to verify that you are a member of good standing, so you are eligible to participate in 4-H events at the RCF.

FAIR TAGS

Be sure to get your member id number from your club leader that you need to have on each exhibit tag, they will also be posted at Eagleton in the hallway on 4-H Exhibit Day.

FAIR PRE-ENTRY FORM

The "Ray County Fair Pre-Entry Form" is at the back of this newsletter that each 4-H member must complete and turn it in to the extension office by June 13th. You will list each project with what you are showing on the form. You can list more than 1 project/form, if space available. The only projects that can be listed with an unknown description is: bread, foods, gardening & horticulture. This will assist us in trying to have judges in the right areas.

ACHIEVEMENT DAY

4-H exhibits are judged---Monday, July 18th. Club entry times are:

- 9:00 am---Central/Dale-Patton/Guys & Gals;
- 10:00 am---Lawson/Millville/Clever Clovers;
- 11:00 am---Orrick/Olde Tyme.

At this time, you will do "conference judging" in which the judge will ask questions about how you completed your project. 4-H members who are unable

to be there need to prepare a 4x6 card telling how your project was made, what was hard to do, what you liked, would you change anything, etc. Members who do not provide this information will automatically be deducted one placing and are not eligible to exhibit at the MO State Fair.

For **photography, posters, educational displays, entomology, working models and decorated cakes**---please check pages 5-7 of the RCF Fairbook for specific guidelines because this is what will be followed for state fair selection.

HAMS

4-H members that have "country cured hams" at Nadler's: you will need to pick them up by July 15th and they close at 5pm. **Hams must be tagged & checked in by 2 pm on Monday, July 18th at RCF.**

HAM & LIVESTOCK AUCTIONS

As a 4-H member of a ham or livestock project you have a chance to have it in the auction. Hopefully you are contacting potential buyers--if not, now is the time to do so and just ask them to support the auction. **It is your responsibility to make the contacts with potential buyers!**

After the auction, you will need to go to the individual/business that purchased your ham or animal and "thank them for their support".

CLOTHING

MAKE IT WITH WOOL

Clothing project members---interested in the "2011 Make it with Wool" Contest? Clothing is judged on construction & as worn (garment must be at least 60% wool). The MO contest is **October 1, 2011-- 1:00 p.m. at the MU Livestock Research Center in Columbia.** You must **pre-register by 9/10/2011.** Winners of the MO Make It With Wool contest have the opportunity to go to the national contest in Scottsdale, Arizona in January, 2012. Please contact the office for more information.



**MISSOURI
STATE FAIR**

STATE FAIR 4-H EXHIBITS

All Ray County 4-H exhibits selected for the

MSF will need to be at the extension office in Richmond by **Thursday, August 4th, by 11:30 a.m.**
NOTE: Large items will need to be transported both ways **by your family**; if you choose to have it on display at the MO State Fair OR a photo of it can be on display while it is in Eagleton.

STATE FAIR ENTRIES

All Missouri State Fair entries are **due by July 1st**. Due to the limited number of stalls & pens, entries in: **4-H/FFA Horse Show & the 4-H Poultry Show** are on **mail arrival basis**, so mail ASAP.

Check out www.mostatefair.com website for details. Deadline for registration forms is **July 1st**. All **4-H entry forms MUST be signed by the 4-H Specialist**. You must use the PDF fillable web form, print it out and bring it in to have it signed. Go to www.mostatefair.com for entry information. Click on **Competitions** to find the Premium Guide.

CLOVER KIDS DAY

A special day for "Clover Kids" will be on **Sunday, August 14th** in the 4-H Building at the MO State Fair from 9am-3pm. Clover Kids have the opportunity to: **exhibit one item; receive a State Fair participation ribbon; give a demonstration--you sign up that day; participate in arts/crafts & other fun!**

4-H BUILDING ACTIVITIES

Be sure to stop by the "4-H Building" to check out the 4-H exhibits & watch some demonstrations!

Activities galore going on with MU Extension 4-H!

****Saturday, August 13**

International Day

Science, Science, Science – hands-on experiments

****Sunday, August 14**

Home Grown Heroes Day – activities for military children

****Monday, August 15**

Chicken BBQ Contest (a.m. only)

****Tuesday, August 16**

4-H Dog Show – Mathewson Arena

Outdoor Adventures activities

****Wednesday, August 17**

4-H Robots

****Thursday, August 18**

You can be the "E" (Entrepreneur)

****Friday, August 19**

4-H'ers Cupcake Challenge





AMERICAN ROYAL

Youth Horse Shows: "Youth Horse Show" is September 24-25, 2011

Livestock Information: Livestock Show will run October 16- 30, 2011. Livestock members--American Royal information is not posted. In past years, **DNA deadline has been August 1st and the entry deadline has been September 10th.** Please contact Karrie with the American Royal Livestock Department at 816-569-4054. A detailed schedule/premium book/entry form and DNA kit order forms will be posted at a later date online www.americanroyal.com



CLUB REPORTS

Millville 4-H Club met May 4th with 32 members & parents doing the annual planting of flowers at the Shirkey's Leisure Acres Nursing & Rehab Center for everyone to enjoy. Everyone enjoyed playing in the dirt & watering all of the beautiful flowers. Then they went to the park for pizza & drinks for their hard efforts.

Next Meeting: 6/8/11 Emma Penny, Reporter

Clever Clovers 4-H Club met May 10th with 22 members present. The club will have a bowling party on May 14th at Richmond Bowling Alley. Show Me Quality Assurance class must be taken prior to fair if you have meat product animals. Fair entry forms are due to Vicki by JUNE 9th. Mary Grace Williams gave a demonstration on "Tying Blankets". Projects reporting were: small engines—did spark plugs & crochet. Next meeting is @ Siloam Park in Excelsior Springs.

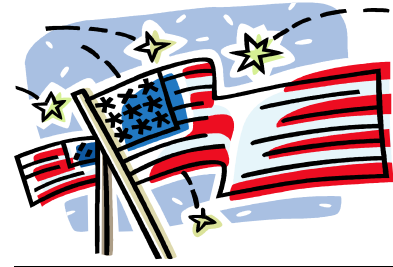
Next Meeting: 6/14/11 Zach Stewart, Reporter

Dale-Patton 4-H Club met May 15th with 9 members present. Fairbooks & tags were given out to families to get ready for fair. A craft project was made of Jean Pockets. Club will have a Pizza Party on June 12th @ Bersano's.

Next Meeting: 6/12/11 Emily Martens, Reporter

Orrick 4-H Club met May 25th with 43 members present. T-Bones Game Night is June 18th—several going; Project Meetings: Dogs--June 5th @ 4PM & Scrapbooking--June 5th @ 1PM. **Orrick 4-H donated \$200** to "Kids Helping Kids" for assistance in Joplin! Projects that met were: photography, clothing, cake decorating, quilting, dogs, woodwork & horsemanship. Next meeting is a social.
Next Meeting: 6/22/11 Mariah Kinkade, Reporter

Fly the American Flag Proudly!



FOURCAST

JUNE

- 1 COUNTY HORSE SHOW ENTRIES DUE
- 1-3 State 4-H Congress
- 4 County Shooting Sports, 8:30am, Richmond
- 6 Horse Committee, 7PM, Richmond
- 13 RCF Entries DUE
- 14 *Flag Day---Fly Your Flag Proudly!*
- 14-16 4-H Camp, Knob Noster
- 19 *----"Happy Father's Day"---*
- 20 4-H Council, 7pm, Richmond
- 21 *Summer's Here!!!*
- 25 County Horse Show, Richmond
- 28 Public Speaking/Demonstration Night, Richmond

JULY

- 1 State Fair Entries DUE
- 4 *"Happy Birthday America"—Office Closed*
- 11 Fashion Revue, 5:00pm, Eagleton, Richmond
- 15-23 Ray County Fair, Richmond

AUGUST

- 4 State Fair Exhibits DUE by 11:00am, Extension Center, Richmond
- 11-21 Missouri State Fair, Sedalia
- 14 Clover Kids Day @ the 4-H Building
- 25 Award Forms DUE
Secretary/Treasurer/Historian Books-DUE

2011 FUTURE DATES

November 4-5 Discover the Clover, Columbia MO

**Ray County Fair, Inc. Schedule
July 15-23, 2011**

| Date | Event | Location |
|--|---|--|
| Saturday, June 25 | County Horse Show Check In-8am Show—9am | Fairgrounds Richard Swope Arena, Richmond |
| Tuesday, June 28 | Public Speaking/ Demonstrations,6:30pm | Eagleton, Richmond |
| Monday, July 11 | Fashion Revue Judging—5:00 pm Show, 7:00 pm | Eagleton, Richmond |
| Friday, July 15 Free Admission | Family Night, 6:00pm Super Teen/Farmer Contest, 7:00pm | Main Arena, Richmond |
| Saturday, July 16 | Tractor Pull, 7:30pm Garden Tractor Pull | Main Arena, Richmond |
| Sunday, July 17 | Antique Tractor, 1pm (Weigh-In—11am) | Main Arena, Richmond |
| Monday, July 18 | *4-H/FFA Exhibit Day, 9am *Sheep Show, 8am * Ham Show, 3pm * Goat Show, 11am *Dog Show, 6pm | Eagleton, Richmond Pole Barn Eagleton Pole Barn Pole Barn |
| Tuesday, July 19 | *Ham Breakfast & Auction, 6:30am *Swine Show 8am | Eagleton, Richmond Pole Barn |
| Wednesday, July 20 | *Beef Show Checkin-8am/Show9am *Farmer's Appreciation Dinner, 6:30pm *"PeeWee" Show & *Livestock Auction, 7:30pm | Pole Barn Pole Barn Pole Barn |
| Thursday, July 21 | * Cat Show, 2:00pm *Clover Kid Pet Show, 2:30 pm *Poultry Show, 3:00pm * Rabbit Show, 6:00pm *Release Exhibits, 3pm-8pm *Rocketry Shoot, 5:30pm | Eagleton Eagleton Pole Barn Pole Barn Eagleton Museum Front |
| Friday, July 22 | *Release Exhibits, 9-11am *Horse RACEO Sign Up—5:30 pm Show— 7:00 pm | Museum Area Eagleton Lower Arena |
| Saturday, July 23 | *Shooting Sports Contest, 8 am *Demo Derby, 7:30 pm | Pole Barn Main Arena |
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WHAT IS CONFERENCE JUDGING?

Judging is a learning experience. From it, you can learn what you did well and how you can improve. An exhibit does not measure all that you have learned, but it is an example of what you have done.

1. During conference judging, you & the judge will talk about your project exhibit.
2. You will be asked questions about the exhibit, so you should be prepared to tell what you were trying to do in your project and be able to describe the way you made your exhibit.
3. Be sure and read and follow the rules & requirements for you project carefully.
4. Learn good sportsmanship.
5. As you & the judge discuss your exhibit listen carefully to the judge as you all discuss the positive & possibly weak points of your exhibit. & how the exhibit might be improved
6. Remember, judging comments can be helpful, but they are only one person's opinion.
7. Judging is done according to quality standards. It is not a matter of personal whim or tastes. The standards are:
*High, but attainable.
*Appropriate to different age levels.
*Known by the members.
8. Projects are evaluated, not people. All completed projects meeting the show requirements will receive a Blue, Red or White rating. Projects are evaluated individually, not compared to another.
BLUE = meets requirements
RED = needs improvement
WHITE = needs much improvement
9. Through your own accomplishments everyone is a winner! And sometimes we may have to try harder next time. Constructive feedback helps you, the member gain additional knowledge and skills.

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