

# The Ray County Fourcast



"A NEWSLETTER FOR RAY COUNTY 4-H FAMILIES"

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## Clovers to...

- ❁ Congratulations to the Ray County 4-H High School Graduates! All the Best to our seniors: Seth Squires of Excelsior; Allison Oyler of Hardin; Ben Carletti, Justin Jones & Travis Luther of Lawson; Anna Sage of Liberty; Timothy Elliott of Orrick; Kyle Marrant, Kelley Martens, Leslie Russell of Richmond and Ty Coats of Stet.
- ❁ Congratulations to---Leslie Russell of Guys & Gals 4-H for receiving one of the MO State Fair Youth In Agriculture \$1000 Scholarships!
- ❁ MANY, MANY THANKS! What a crew we had to unload cookies/candy bars. Really appreciate these individuals taking the time from their busy schedules to assist: LeeRoy Martens, Eric Stewart, Eric's Dad, Margie Jenkins, Bill/ Vicki/Blakely Squires, Donna Vermillion, Pat Mills, Julie Lafferty, Paula/Tiffany & Kimberly Parker, Marsha Penny, Dale Wollard, Jamie McGinnis, Laurel Kindley, Darin/Donna/Tommy & Emily Henderson. (Hope I didn't miss someone.)Please tell them "thank you"!
- ❁ Ray County had 3 young people step forward to apply for camp counselor—Joe Wollard, Lauren Twyman & Katelyn Hoskins.
- ❁ State Hippology Contest: Junior Team placed **2<sup>nd</sup> at state** & team members were: Kaitlyn Zimmerman & McKenzie Hayson. 2<sup>nd</sup> High Junior Individual was Kaitlyn! Other Juniors participating were: Jayla Jones, Abbie Perry & Shayna Polly. Senior team: Kassie Murray & Maggie Perry.
- ❁ State Horse Bowl Contest—Ray County members participating: Juniors-- McKenzie Hayson, Kaitlyn Zimmerman, Shayna Polly & Abbie Perry. Junior-Juniors--Cote Polly, Savannah Church & Haily Davis.
- ❁ Thanks to **Sherri Murray** for taking the lead working with the teams!

### I Wish I Could Tell You Mom –

Some things are just impossible to express.

I wish I could tell you, Mom  
how much you mean to me....  
But there are no words to say  
how much I admire you...  
how much I appreciate you...  
how much I thank you  
for everything you've done.

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## CLUB NEWS

### MEMBER STATUS

#### “Member in Good Standing”---

Is a member enrolled by the deadline date, paid membership dues, and attended a majority of the **club & project meetings** that are required by the club & county. Members in good standing are eligible to exhibit at the fair and receive a completion pin at the end of the year. So **now** is the time for you to check with your club to see if you are in good standing!

### TEEN DANCE

The Rayville Saddle Club will sponsor a Teen Dance on **Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 7-11PM** at the **Eagleton Center in Richmond** for 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade students and admission is \$3. There will be a DJ, games & prizes! Concessions--25 cents to \$1. Supervised event.

### 4-H CAMP



**“GET CHARGED UP”**—come have fun with us at 4-H camp! Camp is **June 14-16** at Camp Bob White, Knob Noster, MO for 4-H members: 8-12

years of age and the cost is **\$100.00**. Camp is limited to the first 100 kids. Camp will include a variety of energy engaging activities, along with swimming & more fun! Camp forms are due **May 6<sup>th</sup>**. Refunds cannot be made after May 15<sup>th</sup>. A few spots still open! Transportation is **not** included. Call for an application—816-776-6961.

### RAY COUNTY FAIR/MO STATE FAIR

**2011 Ray County Fairbook** is on-line and club leaders have been notified to pick up printed copies. Entry deadline for Public Speaking is also June 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Missouri State Fairbook** is now on-line. Entry forms should be available after May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### SHOW ME WARES @ STATE FAIR

The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Show Me 4-H Wares is on at the State Fair—August 11-14! Youth can sell a product or market a service for a half-day and any 4-H member is eligible to apply. Clubs can also apply if they are selling original items as a fundraiser.

**Applications are due to the 4-H state office by May 18<sup>th</sup>**. Check out the Show Me 4-H Wares details <http://4h.missouri.edu/events/fair/showmewares.htm>

Forecast

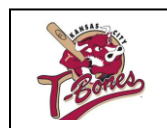
# Mother's Day

### 4-H PROJECT RESOURCES at eXtension

By Pat Miller, County Program Director, Vernon Co.

**Yes, that is spelled correctly, with a little “e” and a big “X”.** eXtension is a on-line community of Cooperative Extension resources from across the country. By going to [www.extension.org](http://www.extension.org) you can find a wealth of information on topics, also called Communities of Practice, such as horses; goats; rabbits; and science, engineering and technology for youth. Once at their home page you can go to **Resource Areas** and see the topics available. And more are being added all the time. Under **Goats** you can find **Instructional Videos**. Listed under that, are ten YouTube videos. For example, there is a ten minute one on basic hoof care that could be used at a project meeting. If you go to **Horses** and then **Instructional Videos**, you will find twenty-one videos on topics such Showmanship Etiquette. This has a 3 part video series by the University of Kentucky. If you raise rabbits you can look under **Companion Animals**, then **Rabbits** and find a 3 minute YouTube video on how to trim their toenails. If you need project resources on water, geospatial technology, energy and other science topics, eXtension has an entire Community of Practice called **Science, Engineering, & Technology for Youth**. So go on-line and check out these resources from eXtension!

### T-BONES 4-H DAY



On **June 18<sup>th</sup>**—Father's Day Weekend at the Legends come watch the T-Bones play the Winnipeg Goldeyes! The fun begins at 6pm with a pre-game 4-H parade on the Field and game starts at 7PM and top the night off with superb fireworks! We're on the 1st base side--seats have arm rests/cup holders and close to the action--right behind the T-bones dugout! Tickets are \$8 and special t-shirt for \$10, pick up day of the game & free parking! It was lots of fun last year! **Hot dogs are only a \$1 that night!** Registrations are due May 27<sup>th</sup> if ordering t-shirts & tickets OR on June 10th if just ticket orders and send directly to T-Bones. If your club wants sit together you need to order as a group.



## SHOOTING SPORTS

### COUNTY SHOOTING SPORTS

The May 4-H Shooting Sports will be held on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 a.m. -12 noon at the Ray County Fairgrounds in Richmond. You need to be checking the hours you have shot, as 10 hours are required to compete at the Ray County Fair.

## EQUINE NEWS

### FUN HORSE SHOW

Rayville Saddle Club will host a horse show on Sunday, May 1st at 1PM at the Rayville Arena. Entries are a \$2/class OR \$10/day. Dr. Cathy Harris, DVM will be on site for vaccinations/coggins at 1 PM. Steve Owen will be available to trim or shoe horses. Contact Donna Vermillion: 816.296.3113 for more info.

### HORSE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Ray County Horsemanship Committee will meet: Monday evening, May 2nd, 7PM at the Extension Center in Richmond. We will finalize the County Horse Show.

### COUNTY HORSE ENTRIES

County Horse Show entries are due June 1<sup>st</sup>! Ray County Horsemanship Members will be sent the "Entry Form" after May 2<sup>nd</sup> to members that turned in horse forms by the deadline & are members in good standing. Or get a copy from your horsemanship leader after May 11<sup>th</sup>.

## LIVESTOCK NEWS

### SHOW ME QUALITY

Just a reminder that to show at the Ray County Fair & MO State Fair--all 4-H youth showing a meat product animal must have a "Show Me Quality Assurance" card. You will be asked to present it when you check in at the entry desk. It's on-line at <http://www.agebb.missouri.edu/smqa/>

### SHEEP & SWINE MARKET ANIMALS

Market sheep & swine must be ear tagged if you plan to sell at the Ray County Fair. This year, RCF livestock committee members will contact you & come to your farm by mid-May to ear tag the sheep

& swine. Please contact the Extension Center if you have sheep or swine that need to be tagged. Otherwise you will not be eligible to sell.

### MSF MARKET HOGS

If you plan to show a barrow at the MSF remember that DNA cards are due in the State Fair office by May 15<sup>th</sup>. You need to order your own cards from the State Fair @ 660-827-8150.



## Club Reports

**Millville 4-H Club** met April 7<sup>th</sup> with 31 members present. Cookie money was collected. Orscheln discount cards are available for 4-H projects. Hams need to be smoked. Kaitlyn Rowan gave the 4-H Council report. Our guest speaker was, Royce Duffett on "Gabriella's Garden". Refreshments were served by Renfro & Richey families.

May 4<sup>th</sup> @ 6PM will be our Annual Flower planting at Shirkey Leisure Acres. Please bring shovels & gardening tools. Wear your Millville t-shirt. (Rain date is May 6<sup>th</sup>.)

Next Meeting: 5/4/11 Emma Penny, Reporter

**Lawson 4-H Club** met April 7<sup>th</sup> with 18 members present. 4-H Camp is June 14-16. Club made 21 lap blankets for Valley Manor Nursing Home. Program was on "Fire Safety" by Melissa Olsen & Ryan Busby of the Lawson Fire Department. Taught club how to drop, tuck & roll if on fire. Families need to have a plan of where to meet outside the house in case of fire. Projects reporting were: dogs, horsemanship, food preservation & photography.

Next Meeting: 5/5/11 Logan Vermillion, Reporter

**Clever Clovers 4-H Club** met April 12<sup>th</sup> with 17 members present. Cookie & Candy Bars were delivered. Members brought items to donate to the Ronald McDonald House. Club will go bowling on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>. Club voted to pay a portion of the camp cost if members were interested. Projects should be underway! Projects reporting were: Poultry—how to select a good one, Small Engines—how to do a tune-up & Horsemanship—about hippology & horse bowl.

Next Meeting: 5/10/11 Zach Stewart, Reporter

**Guys & Gals 4-H Club** met April 14<sup>th</sup> with 17 members learning about Storm Safety from Marc Stigall. Projects reporting were: Cats & Horse Judging—talked about the state contest.

Next Meeting: 5/10/11 Lydia Russell, Reporter

**Dale-Patton 4-H Club** met April 17<sup>th</sup> with 7 members present. Club sold the most cookies in the county this year, averaged \$129/member. Hams need to go to Nadler's. Club played bingo for Easter prizes. Projects reporting were: beef & camping.

**Next Meeting: 5/15/11**      **Emily Martens, Reporter**

**Orrick 4-H Club** met March 23<sup>rd</sup> with 45 members present. Club business was: cookies need to be picked up on March 25<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm, State Congress apps due April 1<sup>st</sup> & Bingo Night—doors open at 6 & Bingo at 7PM. Projects reporting: Arts & Crafts—made necklaces, Cake Decorating—made flowers & writing with icing, Horse Judging—state contest in Columbia, Scrapbooking—made paper dolls to describe themselves & a candy box, Photography—learned settings on camera & different lighting, Foods—made cookies, Rocketry—painted rockets & Woodwork—made a race car.

**Next Meeting: 5/25/11**      **Mariah Kincade, Reporter**



## **FOURCAST**

### **MAY**

- 2      Horse Forms DUE  
County Horsemanship Committee, 7PM,  
Richmond
  - 6-7    Mushroom Festival, Richmond
  - 7      RCF Mud Run, Fairgrounds--Richmond, 5PM
  - 8      **Happy Mother's Day**
  - 9      Observance of **Truman Day, Office Closed**
  - 14     County Shooting Sports, 8:30am
  - 23     4-H Council, 7PM, Richmond
  - 30     **Memorial Day, Office Closed**
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## **JUNE**

- 1      County Horse Show Entries DUE
- 1-3    State 4-H Congress
- 4      County Shooting Sports, 8:30am
- 13     **RCF ENTRIES DUE**
- 14     **Flag Day---Fly Your Flag Proudly!!**
- 14-16 4-H Camp, Knob Noster
- 18     **T-BONES 4-H DAY**
- 19     *Father's Day*
- 27     **4-H Council, 7pm, Richmond**
- 28     Public Speaking/Demonstrations

## **JULY**

- July 1      MO State Fair Entries Due, Sedalia
- July 4      **Happy Birthday America**, Office Closed
- July 10     County Horse Show
- July 11     Fashion Revue
- July 15-23 Ray County Fair



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