

# The Ray County Fourcast



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

Jennifer Black, Jeff Jones & Nancy Coleman attended the Fall State 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification.

We had an "incredible" turnout for our fall event!

A "Big Thank You" to Jeff & Jill Jones Family for hosting the Ray County 4-H Fall Incredible Fall Event on their ranch. We would also like to thank Clever Clovers & Olde Tyme 4-H Clubs for creating a "Haunted Stall & Haunted Trailer" for families to checkout.



Best Costumes



Best Hats



"Remember: Set Your Clocks Back"

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## CLUB NEWS

### AWARD SPONSOR

The Richmond Rotary Club graciously sponsored the 4-H Member & Leader pins that are awarded at the Ray County 4-H Recognition Banquet. Please send a "thank you" to: Richmond Rotary Club, Doug Kirk, President, 39066 Fitch Rd, Richmond MO 64085. Their contribution is greatly appreciated.

### 4-H ENROLLMENTS

Hope club enrollments are going well. 4-H club enrollments are due December 1<sup>st</sup> to the Extension Center. Please make sure projects and project numbers are filled out on the member & leader forms, this helps with the data entry time.

Ray County 4-H enrollment closes January 1<sup>st</sup> for the 2012 4-H year. Along with club enrollments, clubs need to send in \$10.00/member for state/county dues. Clubs need to make the check payable to Ray County 4-H and dues need to be paid by January 4<sup>th</sup>. 4-H Council will pay the member/leader insurance for the year.

4-H literature—(members & leaders) will be the responsibility of the clubs or individuals for the 2012 4-H year. The December-January newsletter will only be mailed to 2011-12 4-H families.

**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 notification in writing. Remember, these procedures are necessary "to make the best better" for youth, for volunteers and for families as we help young people grow in a positive manner.

### 4-H COUNCIL

The Ray County 4-H Council will meet Monday evening, November 28, 2011 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.

### 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 December 28<sup>th</sup>. (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 in need. 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 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Shirkey's** will be doing "The Christmas Gift Shop" for their resident's to select family gifts. To assist--take items there **by December 5<sup>th</sup>**.

## LEADER INFORMATION

### 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, you will have to do the on-line version. The training will be on—**Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:45-9:00p.m. at the Extension Center in Richmond. You must RSVP by 12/3/11, session will be cancelled if less than 5 registered.**

If you are unable to attend the face-to-face training you will need to complete the Volunteer Orientation online at:

<http://mo4h.missouri.edu/getinvolved/volunteer/application.htm>

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



## BOAC GRANTS

The MO Dept of Ag welcomes participation in the "Building Our American Communities" (BOAC) Grant Program. 36 4-H grants will be awarded with 4 awarded to our district. Applications are on-line & must be posted no later than **December 1st**. Projects must be completed by September 1, 2012. More information is available at <http://mda.mo.gov/connect/youth/boac.php>

## REGIONAL ENERGIZER

Plans are in place for the 2012 Regional Energizer on **January 28<sup>th</sup>** at the Belton Freshman Center in Cass County from 9am-3pm. A complete schedule will be in next month's newsletter. Everyone is invited to be part of "A Day of 4-H learning" for all ages--Clover Kids, youth, adults, community service projects, tasty food and fun. Mark your calendars and plan to attend this event!

## ENERGIZER T-SHIRT DESIGN

4-H members, here is another chance to get those creative juices flowing. We want the ENTIRE West Central Region 4-H members and leaders to look "GOOD" at all Regional and State Events. Put on your thinking caps, be creative and have fun with your designs. The rules are as follows:

- All eligible designs must be submitted by an enrolled 4-H member.
- Designs must be print ready (8 ½ x 11 inches). An electronic version of the design must be submitted.
- Designs must include the words: West Central Region 4-H
- ONLY one design per 4-H member will be accepted.
- Designs must include the 4-H clover, and the clover CANNOT be altered in any way.
- Designs must be neat and legible.
- Designs will be printed in one or two color ink only.
- Designs will be printed on just front or back of shirt.
- Please do NOT include your name, club name or year on the design.

Please email the design along with your name, age, club and county to Meg at: [sagemachm@missouri.edu](mailto:sagemachm@missouri.edu). All designs are to be in the Blue Springs Extension Office by **Monday, November 7<sup>TH</sup> by 5PM**.

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## TEEN OPPORTUNITIES

### REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Are you interested in representing the West Central Region on the Missouri State 4-H Council? You assist in planning Teen Conference & State 4-H Congress for 2012! Applications due **December 1<sup>st</sup>**. Application is: 1) a letter of intent 2) application, 3) MO Report Form & 4) a reference from your Youth Specialist. Please call the office, if interested.

### KANSAS CITY GLOBAL SUMMIT

If your future includes a job or career be sure to sign up to attend the Kansas City 4-H Global Summit on March 14-17, 2012. Delegates 15 yrs. & older that want to learn about: careers, technology, environment & cultural diversity.

The cost is \$275 for delegates (4 per room) Registration is due **December 7<sup>th</sup>**. For details go to: <http://www.4h.missouri.edu/events/globalconf/>

## SHOOTING SPORTS

### COUNTY SHOOTING SPORTS

The November County Shooting Sports will meet on **Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:30AM** at the Pole Barn at the fairgrounds in Richmond.

### COUNTY SAFETY CLASS

The 2012 Ray County Shooting Sports project will meet **December 2<sup>nd</sup> (6-9pm) & 3<sup>rd</sup> (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.**



## CLUB REPORTS

**Millville 4-H Club** met October 5<sup>th</sup> with 24 members & families being treated to Smores by the Parker & Penny families. Club officers were elected: President—Kaitlyn Rowan, Vice-President—Tiffany Parker, Secretary—CJ Dana, Treasurer—Mary Penny, Historian—Ben Dana, Reporter—Allie Renfro, Song & Game

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Leaders—Shane Leakey & Zane Renfro. Member & Leader pins were presented to individuals. Kaitlyn Rowan reported on the 4-H Council Meeting. The leaders talked about the Awards Banquet. Everyone is to be brainstorming ideas for "what they want 4-H to do for them".

**Next Meeting: 11/2/11** **Allie Renfro, Reporter**

**Clever Clovers 4H Club** met October 11<sup>th</sup> with 20 members present. The club discussed their fall fundraiser & the Incredible Fall Fun Night. The club voted to do a haunted stall at the fun night. Pins & certificated were presented to members & leaders. A report was given on the 4-H Banquet.

**Next Meeting: 11/8/11** **Brennan Squires, Reporter**

**Dale-Patton 4-H Club** met October 16<sup>th</sup> with 9 members present. Two members did radio interviews for National 4-H Week. Dale-Patton 4-H received one of the Community Service awards at the Banquet.

The club discussed: Bell Ringing, bringing items for Shirkey's & Salvation Army.

**Next Meeting: 11/20/11** **Emily Martens, Reporter**

## **FOURCAST**

### **NOVEMBER**

- 5 County Shooting Sports, 8:30am, Richmond
- 6 Remember the "Time Changes"—Fall Back
- 7 T-shirt Design Due, 5PM
- 11 *Veteran's Day, Office Closed*
- 24-25 *Thanksgiving Holidays, Office Closed*
- 28 4-H Council Meeting, 7pm, Richmond

### **DECEMBER**

- 1 **4-H Member & Leader Enrollments Due**
- KC Global Summit Registration Due**
- 2 Shooting Sports Safety, Part I, 6-9pm
- 3 Shooting Sports, (Cont.) Part II, 9am-12noon
- 4 4-H Officer Training, Richmond, 2-5 PM
- 6 Volunteer Training, 6:45pm. Richmond
- 25 *Merry Christmas*
- 26 *Holiday, Office Closed*
- 28 *Ham Curing Deposits --DUE*

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**You're  
invited!!**

## 2011 North Central Region 4-H Volunteer e-Forum

*Join other 4-H Volunteers in your community to learn cutting edge information from experts across the North Central Region. Gain new knowledge you can share with your 4-H members throughout the year!*

**RAY COUNTY EXTENSION CENTER  
108 W. N. Main, Richmond MO 64085**

Each session will be two hours in length, beginning at **6:30 p.m.**

See below for program dates and session titles.

### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

*For more information, visit: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/ncrvd/NCRVF2011.cfm>*

#### **Positive Youth Development (Monday, November 7)**

- ♦ The Teen Brain: A Work in Progress—Annette Haas, University of Wisconsin-Extension
- ♦ Quality Matters: In Chocolate and 4-H Programs—Brenda Shafer, University of Minnesota

#### **4-H Program Management (Thursday, November 17)**

- ♦ Keeping Your Cool While Working with Youth—Pat McGlaughlin, Sheri Seibold, University of Illinois
- ♦ Reducing the Risks of 4-H Club Meetings—Vicki Schwartz, Brenda Young, Ohio State University

#### **New & Emerging Curriculum (Tuesday, November 22)**

- ♦ Get Connected in Your 4-H World—Rachelle Vetter, North Dakota State University
- ♦ 4-H Science—Dixie Sandborn, Michigan State University
- ♦ Community Service Learning—Steve McKinley, Purdue University



To register for the e-Forum, contact **Nancy Coleman**, at **816.776.6961** or email to **colemann@missouri.edu** by **November 4th**.

*The 4-H Volunteer e-Forum has been developed and provided by the 12 states of the North Central region. Sponsorship of the e-Forum has been provided by Monsanto.*



Plan now to join us at the **2012 North Central Region Volunteer Forum** in **Wichita, KS, October 11-14!**  
Visit: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=314> for more information.





