

# The Ray County Fourcast



"A NEWSLETTER FOR RAY COUNTY 4-H FAMILIES"

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## Ray County Happenings

### 4-H BANQUET-----

The Ray County 4-H Awards Banquet will be held on **Saturday, October 1, 2011, 6:00 p.m. at the Richmond Middle School, 715 Wellington Street in Richmond.** Award presentations will be made to the outstanding 4-H members, leaders & Friend of 4-H. Club responsibilities are: **Setup/Decorate: 10am--** Millville/Central/ Dale-Patton/Guys & Gals and **Food Arrangements: 5:15pm, Saturday evening--** Clever Clovers/Lawson/OldeTyme/Orrick; and **Cleanup--ALL clubs, 2 families per club.** Each club needs to contribute \$10.00 in door prizes. 4-H Council will provide: ham, table service and drink. Each family needs to bring 3 dishes salad/vegetables/casseroles of any kind or dessert. Please make your reservations by **September 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

Clovers to... 

**Missouri State Fair--**we would like to recognize **all Ray County 4-H members** that exhibited at the MSF. We had 63+ exhibitors.

**4-H Building exhibitors** were: Calvin Basham, Garrett Black, Corbynn Boyer, Heather Cole, Morgan Dilley, Sheridan Dutra, Julia Finley, Gracelyn Gobson, Trevor Gibson, Reanna Hadlock, Mckenzie Hayson, Arissa Hellman, Emily Henderson, Haley Jenkins, Jayla Jones, Shane Leakey, Travis Luther, Carson Luther, Emily Martens, Madeline Mills, Abby Nail, Brooke Nail, Brittany Parker, Jessica Parker, Tiffany Parker, Mary Penny, Allie Renfro, Paige Roberts, Anna Sage, Brennan Squires, Samantha Starr, Zach Stewart, Lauren Twyman, Ethan Vermillion, Logan Vermillion, Chandler Wheeler, Grant Wheeler, Spencer Wheeler, Marygrace Williams, Cloyce Wollard, Joe Wollard, Makenzi Yoder, Austin Zimmerman & Kaitlyn Zimmerman.

The 4-H Building at the MSF had a total of **4177 exhibits** on display.

**4-H Demonstrations** were presented by: Zach Stewart.

**4-H Chicken BBQ**—Garrett Black placed 4<sup>th</sup>!

**4-H/FFA Horse Show:** Lauren Twyman, Vivian Kincaid, Aaron Shank, Lydia Russell & Leslie Russell.

**Poultry Show:** Effenni Syphert & Chaz Rice.

**Dogs:** Shawn Marrant & Drew Rohlf.

**Beef Show:** Mariah Kincade, Travis Luther & Carson Luther.

**Swine Show:** Gracelyn Gibson, Trevor Gibson & Emma Penny.

**Goat Show:** Sterling Siemens.

PS.—Results were taken from the MSF Fair website for livestock shows.

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**MOVE ACROSS MISSOURI**—2011 Ray County top awards: Individual—Rhonda Luther of Olde Tyme; and Completed the Competition: Amy Schnetzler, Carissa Davis, Dylan Comstock, Grant McClung, Jake McClung, Lorna Dilley & Piper Killingsworth.

## CLUB NEWS

### WELCOME NEW 4-H FAMILIES

With September, the new 4-H year begins and we welcome new families to Ray County 4-H. As a veteran 4-H family you may remember the first few years of 4-H being confusing. Please welcome new members into your club and help them to become informed & involved in club, county, and state activities. You get out of 4-H what you put into it!

If you are a new (or newer) family in the Ray County 4-H program and have questions, please call the Ray County Extension Center in Richmond at 816-776-6961, and we will get your questions answered.

### NEW 4-H YEAR

The new 4-H year began on September 1<sup>st</sup>, so it's time to think about re-enrollment! All leaders need to complete the volunteer application forms for 2012. All 4-H leader & member forms need to be turned in **by December 1<sup>st</sup>**. Clubs may turn them in earlier if the forms are completed. ALL project materials will need to be purchased for leaders & members by clubs or individual families. Project books are purchased at MU publications.



### SHOOTING SPORTS PARENTS

Ray County 4-H Shooting Sports will host a "Parents Meeting" on Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM at the Eagleton Civic Center in Richmond.

It is "very important that you attend this meeting". We will discuss 1) Sign-up for New 4-H Program Year 2) Shooting Sports Disciplines & Certified Leaders, 3) Rules & Regulations of 4-H Shooting Sports, 4) Costs and 5) Other Concerns. You will sign your kids up for the new 4-H shooting sports program year, which includes payment at that

time. Each family will be given a booklet with the 2012 4-H Ray County Shooting Sports information.

### 4-H AMBASSADORS

The 4-H Ambassador interviews will be Sunday, September 18, 2011 beginning at 2:30 p.m. at the Extension Center in Richmond. Interviews will be as first arrival and then you may leave after the interview. **Candidates must be present for the interview and you must be present at the 4-H Banquet to receive the award.** Applications are due September 9<sup>th</sup>.



### NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

National 4-H week will be October 2-8, 2011. The theme this year is **"Join the Revolution of Responsibility"**. At your September Community Club meeting: plan to promote 4-H in some way during National 4-H Week in your community.

### 4-H CELEBRATION

Celebrate---National 4-H Week by wearing your favorite 4-H shirt to school on Monday October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Maybe your teacher would let you share with your class about 4-H & your 4-H projects.



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**  
**Incredible Fall 4-H Family Fun Night**  
**October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 5:30 -10 PM**  
**Fairgrounds in Richmond**  
Blast Off the Year 5:30PM  
Family Picnic 6PM  
Family Dance 7-8PM  
Teen Dance from 8-10PM  
(Other activities for younger kids)  
**More details next month.**

## NORTHLAND THERAPEUTIC

The Northland Therapeutic Riding Center (NTRC) near Kearney MO, works with children & adults with special needs through equine-oriented therapy and activities.

**They have openings for both volunteers and riders.** Volunteers serve NTRC as horse leaders or sidewalkers. They ride on Tuesdays & Thursdays from now until Nov. 17 and volunteers are needed in one hour time frames from approximately 3-8:30 p.m. on Tuesday or Thursday each week. Contact Lisa Keefe, Volunteer Coordinator, at 816-808-1106. **For Therapeutic riding & hippotherapy** a rider assessment & a doctor's clearance is required before participating. Parents may contact Mary Jill Webber, Co-Director, at 816-808-1209 for information. Rider & volunteer applications are located at [www.northlandtrc.org](http://www.northlandtrc.org).

## LEADER INFORMATION

### VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION TRAINING

As the new 4-H year starts don't forget that **all new leaders, or returning leaders who have not yet completed** the Volunteer Orientation must do so before they can start their project work for the year. A face to face training will be held on December 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:45 - 9:00 PM at the Extension Center in Richmond..

All 4-H volunteer leaders must complete a one-time Volunteer Orientation. You can complete the Volunteer Orientation online. **You are not to be** working with 4-H youth or sign 4-H paperwork of any kind until you have completed the training. Go online: <http://mo4h.missouri.edu/getinvolved/volunteer/application.htm>



### 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS

The 2011 Ray County Shooting Sports project will end--**September 10<sup>th</sup>**, 8:30 am at the fairgrounds in Richmond. Practice for one's going to state.

The **first meeting for the "2012 year" will be October 1<sup>st</sup>**, but you **MUST** have your safety certification before you can shoot. **Shooting Sports**

will meet the **first Saturday of each month**, unless it falls on a holiday weekend.

The "4-H Safety Class" will be held **December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6-9pm & December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 9am-12noon**, please notify new families so they are aware of this because members have to have this class in order to shoot.

All members will need **10 hours** (6 hours have to be completed at the monthly shooting sports meetings) to qualify for county/state shooting sports. **Members also must maintain their shooting log and turn it in when you register for county &/or state shoots. NO LOG, you do not shoot.**

## LEADER CERTIFICATION

**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 of each year. The fall "**Shooting Sports Leader Certification**" will be held **October 7-9** at **Camp Galilee near Eldorado Springs, MO**. The cost is \$65.00 and 4-H Shooting Sports will pay that fee. Registration is required **by September 19<sup>th</sup>** to Ray County 4-H. If you sign up and do not attend or carryout your responsibility for at least one year--then **you or the club will need to reimburse Shooting Sports the fee**. Information at <http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports/workshop.htm>

## Club Reports

**Dale-Patton 4-H Club** met on August 14<sup>th</sup> & enjoyed an ice cream party. The club played games of hillbilly golf & arrows. In September they will have a weiner roast @ 5:30PM at the Jenkins Farm.

**Next Meeting: 9/11/11**

**Emily Martens, Reporter**

**Clever Clovers 4-H Club** met August 23<sup>rd</sup> reporting the club had a good turnout at the fair & several had items selected for the state fair. Zach Stewart gave a demo at the MSF. The Super Teen Contest at the RCF was won by our older team! County-wide Fall Party is coming up in late October. 4-H members are designing a club t-shirt & will vote at the September meeting. The club will work with the Mid-Continent Library next summer to present a 3-stage informational series about 4-H. The club Fall Fundraiser will be to sell "greenery". Club Officers are: President—Austin Zimmerman, Vice-President—Zach Stewart, Secretary—Kaitlyn Zimmerman, Treasurer—Shelby Starkebaum, Reporter—Brennan Squires & Photographer—Ashley Stewart.

**Next meeting: 9/13/11**

**Brennan Squires, Reporter**

**Lawson 4-H Club** met September 1<sup>st</sup> with 14 members present. The pledges were led by Ethan Vermillion & Clayton Shea. Project reports were given by Sterling Siemens & Carson Luther shared how they did at the MSF. Shooting sports will be help Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> mainly for those going to the State Shoot.

The 4-H Banquet will be Oct. 1 at 6PM., The county 4-H Enrollment fee was increased to \$10/year. The clubs committees are: Fundraiser: Haley Martin, Autumn Yokum, Brooke McClung & Carson Luther. Community Service: Collin Fitzgerald, Autumn Yokum, Carson Luther & Brooke McClung. Demonstrations were given by Elizabeth Bohn & Carson Luther. The Club Historians asked for help getting pictures throughout the year. Game was played, "How to make a motion".

Next Meeting: 10/6/11                      Leader Reported

**2012 FAIR DATES**  
 July 13 - 21    Ray County Fair  
 August 9 - 19    Missouri State Fair



## **FOURCAST**

### **SEPTEMBER**

- 9**      **Ambassador Application—DUE by 3PM**
- 10**     County Shooting Sports, 8:30 a.m., Richmond
- 10**     State Fashion Revue Contest, Columbia
- 17**     State Shooting Sports Contest, Columbia
- 18**     4-H Ambassador Interviews, 2:30PM, Richmond
- 22**     **Banquet Reservations DUE**
- 26**     **4-H Council, Richmond, 7:00 PM**

### **OCTOBER**

- 1**      County Shooting Sports, 8:00am, Richmond
- 1**      **4-H Banquet, 6:00 PM, Richmond**
- 2-8**    **National 4-H Week--"Leading the Way"**
- 7-9**    Shooting Sports Certification, Eldorado Spgs
- 10**     **Columbus Day, Office Closed**
- 22**     Incredible Fall Event, 5:30-10PM, Richmond

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