Equal opportunity is and shall be provided to all participants in Extension programs and activities, and for all employees and applicants for employment on the basis of their demonstrated ability and competence without discrimination on the basis of their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, age, disability, or status as a Vietnam-era veteran. This policy shall not be interpreted in such a manner as to violate the legal rights of religious organizations or military organizations associated with the armed forces of the United States of America.
December 2010

Dear Members of the County Commission and the Community:

As we approach the end of another year and the beginning of a new year, I want to thank you for the support you have given to your local University of Missouri Extension Center during these difficult economic times. Your partnership with federal and state government and many other entities through MU Extension has made it possible for:

- Young people to learn life skills that make them contributing, caring members of the community; prepare them with science-based education for higher education and careers of the future; and help them avoid risky behaviors.
- Aspiring entrepreneurs and existing businesses to be more efficient and profitable, thereby helping to strengthen the local economy.
- Farmers and agribusinesses to incorporate new, research-based production techniques and best practices into their operations to improve their bottom line while protecting the environment.
- Families to learn and engage in healthy nutrition, fitness and lifestyle behaviors, which also help them reduce medical costs.
- Firefighters, nurses, law enforcement officers, teachers and others maintain and upgrade their professional skills and certifications.
- Communities to develop local leaders and deal with critical issues in a non-biased, neutral way for the public good.

The funds invested in MU Extension are well-managed. $11 million in county council funds, combined with other public and private funds, allow us to deliver $99 million worth of educational programs statewide. While the methods for delivering educational programs continue to evolve – including the Web, videos, social networking media, print materials and face-to-face meetings – the core of MU Extension’s mission remains: “… to improve people’s lives, communities and the economy by providing Relevant, Responsive and Reliable Research-based education.”

If you have suggestions for how MU Extension can better serve your needs, please contact me or your local extension center.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Vice Provost and Director
AGRICULTURE

BEEF CATTLE ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION SCHOOLS

Due to increased demand for instruction in artificial insemination of beef cattle three sessions of this popular annual program were held in 2010. In these classes held from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm for 3 evenings, producers spend time in the classroom to learn the basics of beef cattle reproduction and artificial insemination techniques. They spend an equal amount of time practicing these techniques on live cows. These schools done in cooperation with the MU Agriculture Experiment Station and Accelerated Genetics are held at one of the MU research facilities in north Missouri. There is an overwhelming demand for this type of training and additional schools will be held 2011. From Sullivan County five producers attended the schools.

RESEARCH AND DEMONSTRATIONS ASSIST PRODUCERS IN DECISION MAKING

The farm demonstration has long been proven to be one of the most effective teaching tools in Extension. Producers from all 16 counties in the Northeast Region have received information on these projects which include:

Using Goats for Pasture Weed and Brush Control

A demonstration project utilizing co-species grazing of cattle and goats to control woody plants in pasture which was viewed by over 200 producers at MU field day.

Estrous Synchronization Methods and Timed Artificial Insemination in Beef Cows

5 sessions done on producer farms were attended by 119 producers

Storage of Wet ethanol Production Co-products

5 storage demonstrations were viewed by 102 producers. As corn and other feed prices have risen fall an additional 92 requests for this information have been received since mid October 2010.

Utilizing the Nutrients in Livestock Manure as Fertilizer

Ongoing demonstration at the MU Forage Systems Research Center and on cooperating producer’s farms which were viewed by 168 producers in 2010. This project looks at ways producers can alter their winter hay feeding methods to take better advantage of the fertilizer value of the manure generated during the winter hay feeding period.

SHOW-ME-SELECT REPLACEMENT HEIFER PROGRAM

Missouri ranks second in the nation in total number of beef cows with more than 2 million cows on 60,000 farms across the state. Putnam County continues to rank high in the state in beef numbers as well. Income from the forage-based beef cattle industry represents the largest source of agricultural revenue within Missouri as well as our county. Female replacement strategies have one of the greater long-term effects on profitability within a cowherd as any other decision made by a cow-calf producer. One of the largest problem areas for cow-calf operations is the development phase of the replacement beef heifer and related inadequacies in nutrition and management.

Through the Show-Me-Select programming effort producers in Putnam County received information and assistance in solving their heifer development problems. A sale of 125 Show Me Select
qualified heifers was held in December at the Green City Livestock Market. The sale averaged $1,393 per head. Heifers from this sale were consigned and purchased by producers in Putnam County as well.

MEAT GOAT INFORMATIONAL WORKSHOPS
Meat goats are the fastest growing segment of the livestock industry both in the U.S. and in Missouri. Many producers are getting into the meat goat business with a bare minimum of knowledge and experience. The same is true in the veterinary community where little time is spent in vet school learning about meat goat health and management. Three workshops were held during the past year to assist beginning and existing producers with their operations. The session covered topics such as, kidding management, herd health, parasite control, nutrition and marketing. The sessions were held at a producer farm and were very hands on. Instructors included Extension faculty personnel, a local veterinarian and experienced producers. A total of 133 producers and 8 veterinarians attended the workshops with 20 producers from Sullivan County attending.

ESTATE PLANNING REMAINS A HIGH CONCERN
Farmland values that continue to rise and uncertainty about the Federal Estate Tax law and where it’s headed have kept estate planning for farmers and small businesses a high concern in rural Missouri. Many folks are also uncomfortable with attorneys due to their use of jargon and lack of understanding of Agriculture and rural issues. The Farm and Small Business Estate Planning program prepares individuals to discuss estate and business succession concerns with their families as well as attorneys.
Several Agricultural Business Specialists throughout the state have taught this program for several years and requests for it continue to be high. A Probate Judge also assists in teaching about probate. It is done via Interactive Television or ITV to make it available on a wider basis throughout the state. Three 3-hour sessions were done in early 2010 with 61 persons attending (one from Sullivan County). Sites included were Brookfield, Memphis, Shelbyville, Salem and Hartville. The Brookfield location was completely full each of the 3 sessions. Topics that are taught include: why plan your estate, how property is titled, probate, estate and gift taxes and estate planning tools.
Pre and post tests were utilized to gauge the increase in knowledge received as a result of this program. Major increases were in the role of the power of attorney (2.97 pre-test to 3.88 post test) and in the knowledge of the difference in estate and gift taxes (2.22 pre-test to 3.53 post test). Additionally, the number of attendees who checked how their property was titled and estimated their estate’s value more than doubled. Impact can also be measured by the number of follow-up questions, including attorney referral requests as well as in the number of co-workers in the state that are planning to be a part of the program in 2011.

FARM INCOME TAX SCHOOL OFFERS CRITICAL EDUCATION
Farmers have a unique business and as such complicated income tax issues. The Farm Income Tax School held yearly in Kirksville serves a critical need due to the lack of programming related to these farm returns at other tax schools. Continuing to keep income tax preparers updated on these issues is very important for Northeast Missouri in particular due to our higher number of farmers.
The 2010 school, held on December 14th, had 20 participants including one from
Sullivan County, an excellent turnout. This year’s participants prepared over 6,061 tax returns in Northeast Missouri with 36% of those including a Schedule F or related farm return, a much higher percentage than other areas of the state. All the evaluations (100%) indicate that this school is viewed as a critical educational need from those who attend and that it makes them more knowledgeable and able to prepare more acute returns. One comment was “always learn something at this tax school that I have not learned elsewhere, appreciate Joe’s openness”.

Joe Koenen, Agricultural Business Specialist with University of Missouri Extension coordinates and teaches the program along with fellow Agricultural Business Specialist Darla Campbell. A representative from the Missouri Department of Revenue also participates. The education becomes even more valuable due to taxpayer certification requirements implemented by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) beginning in 2011.

FARM LEASE CONCERNS STILL HIGH ON PEOPLES MIND

Farm lease questions and disagreements have become the top of the list as far as most asked questions of Agricultural Business Specialists in the last 5 years. There are multiple reasons for this, including high crop prices, a continued higher return for land than other investments and a greater realization of the assistance that University Extension provides in this area. Finally, more and more landowners today are not rural residents and as such are not familiar with traditional Agricultural practices.

65 persons attended the Farm Lease Program via Interactive 2-way Television or ITV on September 14th in 6 locations throughout Northern Missouri. The date was chosen due to the fact that farm leases are typically terminated or re-negotiated in the fall of the year. Six Agricultural Business Specialists throughout the state, 4 of whom developed the program initially, were involved with this program. Attendance continues to be good and people are willing to drive more than 100 miles to receive this information. Evaluations showed that 92% of attendees would recommend the program to others. In Addition, 84% now know where to find lease forms and where to get further assistance and 82% understand that a lease is a legal, binding contract. Lease termination continues to cause many conflicts so knowing the law on termination will lessen those conflicts in the long run. Several persons have requested the information that couldn’t attend since the program also.

Topics included current rental rates and trends, specific items to include in a farm lease, terminating a farm lease correctly, lease hunting issues and crop and livestock share lease concerns. Farm leases will remain a critical area of concern with the number of absentee landowners growing and so this information is valuable to those folks as well as to our local producers. Two people from Sullivan County attended this ITV presentation.

INDIVIDUAL CONTACTS FOR YEAR FOR JOE KOENEN:

Sullivan County – 20

These include individual contacts only and not programs (like above) or media and is an estimate. Hot topics this year were farm leases, income taxes (capital gains in particular) and cash rental rates in addition to fence law.
ASSISTANCE TO LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS

Educational information and assistance is provided to livestock producers in Sullivan County by Extension Livestock Specialist, Chris Zumbrunnen. Beef production continues to be the mainstay of livestock production for livestock operations in north central Missouri. Throughout 2010 a log was kept of the different types of individual requests for assistance that were received from beef producers. While the final figures are not broken out into requests from each county served the totals do provide interesting insight to the needs of the beef producers in the area. The breakout of topics was:

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PRIVATE PESTICIDE APPLICATOR TRAINING

Max Glover, Agronomy Specialist assigned to Sullivan County held a recertification training was held at the Sullivan County USDA Building. Eight producers attended to receive certification to purchase and apply restricted use agriculture chemicals. University of Missouri Extension is responsible for certification of Private Pesticide Applicators in Missouri. Certification and re-certification require attending a 2 hour class on the safe use of pesticides. Re-certification is required every 5 years. A license received upon certification/re-certification must be presented to pesticide vendors in order to purchase restricted use pesticides. In 2010 one daytime and one evening recertification class was held.

Articles, by Max Glover, were submitted to “The Milan Standard” to keep readers updated on timely issues and Producer Consultations, Insect Pest Monitoring, Diagnostic Services were also provided.

LADY LANDOWNER WORKSHOP

Presented by Darla Campbell, Joe Koenen, Jennifer Schutter on October 27, 2010 a workshop was held in Livonia, Missouri focusing on women landowners. Twenty-one women (including one from Sullivan County) learned about Landowner Liability, Land Values and Rental Rates, FSA programs, NRCS programs, EPA 319 program, designing flower arrangements, and A Historical look at Water Quality. As more women become landowners, it is essential we reach this audience to empower them in making informed decisions.

AGRICULTURE LENDERS ATTEND SEMINARS IN NE MISSOURI

Presented by Darla Campbell, Joe Koenen, Karisha Devlin thirty lenders attended one of the Northeast Missouri Ag Lenders’ Seminars held in Kirksville and Hannibal. At these one-day seminars, lenders learned about Crop and Livestock
Outlook; Land Values and Rental Rates; Missouri Agriculture and Small Business Authority, Tax Law Changes; and Managing Margin Calls in a Volatile Market. On a scale from 1 to 10 with “1” being very little value and “10” being very valuable, the average score was an “8” with both sites averaged together. The lenders in attendance loan over $190 Million a year to agriculture operations totaling over 2882 different loans in Northeast Missouri according to evaluation totals they submitted. This annual event is an excellent networking opportunity for lenders and for Extension Specialists to work and learn together to help our clients throughout the year. Two attended from Sullivan County.

MISSOURI LIVESTOCK SYMPOSIUM
The Missouri Livestock Symposium is a nationally recognized educational and social event organized and run by a grassroots committee of 22 producers from Adair, Sullivan, Putnam, Knox, Macon, Scotland, Clark, and Linn Counties in Missouri and supported by efforts from University of Missouri Extension, the Missouri Department of Agriculture and over 100 businesses, organizations, and agencies. In past years the Symposium has drawn folks from over 78 of Missouri's counties and up to 17 states. The Missouri Livestock Symposium program engages nationally known speakers on relevant agriculture and livestock related topics dealing with horses, beef cattle, sheep, meat goats, stock dogs, and forages. In addition, there are programs on around the home topics.

Details about the Missouri Livestock Symposium may be viewed at http://missourilivestock.com.

MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM
Seven Master Gardeners from Sullivan County reported 296.5 hours for 2010. Of this, 221 were service hours and 75.5 were continuing education. The Independent Sector values volunteer service performed in 2010 at an hourly rate of $20.85. Using this figure, the Sullivan County Master Gardeners volunteered $4,607.85 worth of their time to projects benefiting Milan, Green City and Green Castle. Some of the projects included planting and maintaining flower beds at the scattering garden in Oakwood cemetery in Milan, the post office in Milan, Green City Depot, and Green Castle City Hall. Other service included helping elderly neighbors and friends with their yards; consultations and providing gardening advice to the public; and giving programs or presentations for clubs and school children. The Sullivan County Master Gardener Club meets monthly in Milan. Four people from Sullivan County completed Master Gardener training held August-November 2010, in Kirksville.

A LOCAL FRUIT FARMS TOUR: “MO GROWN”
This tour was held September 15th. Seventy-six people from 15 counties attended, including four from Sullivan County. Farms on the tour included Lost Branch Blueberry Farm, Jacob’s Vineyard and Winery, Truman State Farm and West Orchard. Production practices, integrated pest management, fruit varieties, spray schedules, and marketing were discussed at each of the farms.

Quotes- "It was wonderful, I enjoyed it and learned a lot". "I'm so happy to know about these places". "Looking forward to the next tour". "I enjoyed the entire tour and learned new things". "Thanks for all of the invitation opportunities the University of Missouri Extension offers".
HEALTHY YARDS FOR CLEAR STREAMS

Thirty-eight people attended the Healthy Yards for Clear Streams workshop on January 14-15 in Kirksville, including two from Sullivan County. The workshop focused on watershed management issues and using environmentally friendly yard and garden practices. Composting, rain gardens, maintaining a healthy yard, controlling weeds, reducing pesticide usage, companion planting and growing vegetables in raised beds were some of the topics addressed at the workshop. The evaluation indicated that most attendees were going to adopt one or more “environmentally friendly” practices.

Quotes: "I learned many things I did not know". "This workshop was fantastic!". "Super presentations!" "I learned a lot and think we are very fortunate to have such a good, educational group!" “Both days were very well planned and presented". "Excellent program by all!"

“GARDEN TALK” HORTICULTURE NEWSLETTER

Thirty-eight people from Sullivan County receive the Garden Talk newsletter each month informing them of timely gardening tips and other important gardening information. The newsletter also informs them of upcoming horticulture events and activities.

CONSULTATIONS

Throughout the year many Sullivan County residents receive horticulture advice by email, phone calls and farm or home visits on various issues such as lawn care, vegetable gardening, flower gardening, insect and disease control, and trees and shrubs.

OFFICE USE REMAINS CONSISTENTLY STRONG

The average monthly number of requests for information and assistance received by this office remained strong in 2010. The figures for the past 4 years are:

- 2007 = 241
- 2008 = 254
- 2009 = 256
- 2010 = 260

HUMAN ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

FNEP

University of Missouri Extension (UME) Family Nutrition Education Programs (FNEP) reached 552 participants with direct nutrition education in Sullivan County during 2010 a significant percentage of which were low income. FNEP provides information on nutrition, food safety, and physical activity for lifelong health and fitness.

Nutrition education for youths provides information in kid-friendly terms and lessons with hands-on activities. Activities include opportunities for taste-testing healthy foods and practicing skills that lead to good health. Education for adults includes nutrition, food safety, physical activity, and food resource management.

Evaluation data collected across the entire state reflects the positive impacts that occur in every county with FNEP. Within FNEP are two key programs, each with its own system for evaluating impact: the Family Nutrition Program (FNP) and the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP).

For youths who participated in FNP, results summarized for the state revealed the following positive impacts:

Three thousand one hundred thirty-eight (3,138) teachers gave us feedback.

- 44% have participated in FNP for more than 3 years
- 99% (3,103 teachers) reported one or more changes in students after FNP.
Donna Haley is the Nutrition Program Assistant (NPA) for Sullivan County. For 2009/10, Donna reached a total of 552 students in Sullivan County. Positive teacher and student feedback keep the Family Nutrition Education Program coming back year after year impacting participants to understand and apply the importance of healthy nutrition and physical activity habits in their lives beginning at an early age. “Success Stories” are comments and observations made by teachers, students, parents and the NPA themselves that are shared throughout the State so others can hear first-hand what is being said about the program. Here are some examples:

- “Donna does an outstanding job and the program is very effective.”
- “Always is a great program and the kids are enthusiastic.”
- “Miss Donna was great! The students loved learning about good nutrition with her and they’ve modeled these behaviors in their choices.”

**BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES**

The goal of University of Missouri Extension’s human environmental science programs is to provide parents, caregivers and families with tools that will strengthen and sustain families. Among these programs is “Building Strong Families” (BSF). Building Strong Families is a 13-module series with each module consisting of two hours of lecture, discussion and activities. The program is structured so that one may select to present from three to all thirteen modules in a training series.

Working with the Sullivan County Children’s Division, we were able to identify the following topical needs: 1) Family Strengths/Communicating, 2) Positive Discipline, 3) Kids and Self-Esteem, 4) Anger Management, and 5) Stress Management. These five workshops were presented between October 11, 2010 and November 15, 2010. There were eleven Sullivan County parents registered for the series with nine parents participating in three or more of the sessions. There was an average daily attendance of 8.4 parents.

Tom Fuhrman, Human Development Specialist in Randolph County and serving Sullivan County presented the program.

**FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CLASSES**

Green Hills Community Action Agency requested financial management for families. The class was held May 4, 2010 at the Green Hills Community Action Office in Milan, MO. The program, presented by Debby Whiston, Family Financial Education Specialist, focused on assisting limited resource families in meeting their financial obligations in this difficult economic time. To encourage participation, door prizes were offered and a luncheon meal was served. The goal of the program was to assist...
participants adopt sound practices to increase their ability to meet short-term financial obligations, improve their ability to meet long-term financial needs and ultimately the ability to meet family financial needs and develop financial plans. Eighteen (18) adults participated in the workshop. The workshop included developing and using a spending plan; discussed tracking income and expenses, the pitfalls of credit and how to manage limited resources effectively. Many tools were provided to assist participants in tracking expenses and preparing a spending plan. Participants divided into groups and played the bean game. The games assist families in learning about how they spend money, those things which influence their decisions and how to successfully make good decisions about limited resources. Of the 18 participants, 93% gained knowledge and skills on how to track expenses; 83% committed to develop a spending plan and 80% agree they would begin tracking all of their expenses to become more aware of where they money was going. Participants expressed satisfaction with the program and engaged in a lively discussion about trying to stretch their money to pay all their bills. All felt the handouts and tracking booklet would be useful and pledged they would begin making a conscious effort to more effectively manage their money. The Community Action Director believes the program assisted individuals feel more confident dealing with their money and knowing what they need to do to keep their families secure.

H.O.M.E. OWNERSHIP MADE EASIER

Home Ownership Made Easier (H.O.M.E.) is a cooperative program of University of Missouri Extension and USDA Housing Programs. H.O.M.E. was held in at the TCRC in Kirksville on August 10 and November 30, 2010 and presented by Debby Whiston, Family Financial Education Specialist. Three (3) families from Sullivan County participated in the program.

First time home buyers are required to participate in the class and receive a certificate of completion in order to purchase their home. Curriculum is provided by the University and implemented in the region to enable home buyers to meet the requirements of the program. As a result of the workshop, first-time homebuyers have a better understanding of the home buying process. It helps them determine their financial resources that will allow them to buy a home, provides information about how to find a suitable home and how to obtain a mortgage. The workshop guides participants thought the closing process and how to protect their investment. Care of the home after purchase is also provided. Participants were able to understand a net worth statement, understand their credit and know what type of insurance they would need for their home. They learned about mortgages, titles, and homeowner insurance. Steps were provided in finalizing and understanding the home purchase, maintaining the home and avoiding foreclosure. Participants are encouraged to return to the Extension office for further financial management assistance and home maintenance information.

GOAL SETTING SUSTAINS MOTIVATION FOR FUTURE EMPLOYMENT

Jane Hunter, Human Development Specialist, conducted a goal-setting program for participants in the NE Community Action Agency program. An afternoon class was held in Sullivan County. Six people in Milan participated in personal goal setting as well as professional goal setting activities to help them identify their immediate needs and long-range possibilities as they pertain to employment. Very positive discussion and interaction ensued.
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

As entrepreneurs and innovators, Missouri’s small businesses are becoming a more diverse group that continues to make the state’s economy productive. There are approximately 500,000 small businesses in Missouri. Nearly 98 percent of all businesses with employees are categorized as small businesses. In assisting the owners and managers of those businesses, MU Extension contributes to a county’s economic development through growth in jobs, sales, innovation, technology development and commercialization.

In Sullivan County, during 2010, business development program specialists and business counselors with MU Extension, Missouri Small Business & Technology Development Centers (MO SBTDC), Missouri Procurement Technical Assistance Centers (MO PTAC), Missouri Environmental Program, Missouri Career Options Project, and the Missouri Market Development program served 2 people and their companies with business start-up and management counseling, training, and other assistance. In addition, entrepreneurs and business owners in Sullivan County reported the following economic impact and activity as a result of the services provided by the MU Extension Business Development Program according to Chris Shoemaker, Business Development Specialist:

- Clients/companies receiving business counseling: 2
- Business training attendees and conference participants: 0

4-H CLUBS

Sullivan County 4-H clubs (86 4-H members) offer long-term educational experiences in which members learn life skills such as decision making, public speaking and working with others. Members learn by doing under the guidance of adult volunteers, who teach projects ranging from aerospace and arts to veterinary science and sport fishing. Clubs also involve children and teens in community service, camping and educational trips.

Sullivan County 4-H school enrichment programs are short-term educational experiences that supplement learning in the classroom. The most popular 4-H school program in Sullivan County is Incubation and Embryology.

RECORDS ARE BEING SET IN SULLIVAN COUNTY 4-H!

Local funding continues to make what seemed impossible possible. Since May of 2008 4-H clubs and members along with other local individuals and businesses have donated over $8500.00 to partially fund a part-time 4-H Youth Program Assistant position in Sullivan County. This position is held by Becky Tipton, 4-H Youth Program Assistant. Since that time some impressive things have occurred within Sullivan County 4-H for 2009/2010!

- 4-H enrollment is up with 21 new members.
- 56 attended the 4-H Recognition night. Several 4-H families commented on the great program that was held for the 4-H members.
- Seven ‘Level One Missouri 4-H Recognition Applications’ along with two ‘Level Two Recognition Applications’ and two ‘Level Three Recognition Applications’
were turned in. 28 members turned in project record forms also. Last year there were 23 members that turned in project records and the year before that there were no project records turned in at all.

Embyology program was in 8 classrooms this year with the new incubators purchased by the Advisory Board to help grow this program. The new incubators where shared in the schools as follows: there were 4 at the Green City School, 2 at the Milan school, one at the Newtown-Harris school and one at the home school group in Sullivan County.

SMQA training was held with 12 4-H members attending. For the 2009-2010 4-H year there were 22 members are enrolled in Beef project (up 2 from last year), 9 in Bucket Calf (up 4 from last year), 9 in Goats (down 1 from last year), 6 in Poultry (same as last year), 10 in Sheep (up 1 from last year) and 8 in Swine (up 2 from last year).

Achievement Day was brought back to Sullivan County and held at the Milan Community Center. There were 13 members who participated compared to last year’s 6 members and not having one the year before.

10 4-H members attended 4-H camp this year in June.

4 members represented Sullivan County as a Horse judging team in Columbia. The team placed 9th in the junior division.

One member of the Sullivan County 4-H attended Teen Conference in Columbia. Three have already signed up to attend this upcoming 4-H year.

Sullivan County 4-H members have been in the local newspaper numerous times showing their community involvement and 4-H achievements.

The second Sullivan County Shooting Sports match was held on June 5, 2010.

Sullivan County 4-H Shooting Sports program has grown again this year by members and leaders.

ASSISTANCE TO YOUTH LIVESTOCK MEMBERS

Educational information and assistance is provided to 4-H and FFA members in Sullivan County by Extension Livestock Specialist, Chris Zumbrunnen. The area where assistance is most often requested is nutritional advice for the member’s livestock project. In addition educational information and assistance is provided to members, leaders, advisors and parents in the areas of health management, animal selection and care and breeding. Education is also provided to members, leaders and parents on carcass quality and carcass characteristics at the completion of a livestock project at one of the local meat processors. Assistance is provided with livestock shows at County and State fairs and with livestock judging training. Nose printing of steers and lambs and DNA collection of swine for exhibition is conducted as well as weighing for rate of gain contests Education for livestock project members on the Missouri Livestock Quality Assurance Program reached a total of 618 leaders, parents and members in Putnam, Sullivan, Linn and Randolph counties.
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OF SULLIVAN COUNTY

BUDGET SUMMARY
2010

INCOME

Sullivan County Commissioners $23,000.00
Extension Council Transfer 3372.77
$26,372.77

EXPENSES

Personnel Salaries $18,249.96
Benefits 4,417.43
Supplies 199.86
Telephone/Internet 1,263.20
Equipment Purchases 0.00
Equipment Repair 0.00
Mileage 2,187.00
Miscellaneous/Advertising 55.32
$26,372.77

We would like to express our gratitude to you, the Sullivan County Commissioners, for your continued support and the excellent working relationship we have.

Chris Zumbrunnen
Livestock Specialist
County Program Director

Donna Haley
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