



COMING EVENTS

STATE:

- June 3-5: State 4-H Congress
June 22-24: 4-H Citizenship Youth Forum
July 1: State Fair Livestock Horse and Dog Entries Due – Sedalia
August 13-23: Missouri State Fair

TRI-COUNTY:

- June 14-16: Camp Counselor Training
June 16-19: 4-H Camp

LINCOLN:

- June 3: Beef Meeting, 6 p.m. Fairgrounds
June 16: Sheep Project Meeting, 6 p.m., Fairgrounds
June 17: Beef Meeting, 6 p.m. Fairgrounds
June 17: Rabbit Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Fairgrounds
June 23: 4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Extension Center
June 24: Swine Project Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Fairgrounds
June 26: Judging & Achievement Day, 12:00 p.m., (Warren Judges)
July 1: Poultry Meeting, 6 p.m., Fairgrounds
July 1: Swine Project Meeting, 6:00 p.m. Fairgrounds
July 13: Fair Exhibit Entry, 8:30-11:00 a.m. (Montgomery Judges)
July 14-18: Lincoln County Fair
July 31: Clover Kids Day Camp, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

MONTGOMERY:

- June 10: Judging & Achievement Day, 4 p.m. (Lincoln Judges)
June 11: 4-H Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Extension Office
July 20: Fair Exhibits Entered 8:30-11 a.m. (Warren Judges)
July 21-25: Montgomery County Fair

WARREN:

- June 6: Rabbit Group, 1:00 p.m., Fairgrounds (build rabbit cages)
June 8: Rabbit Check-in, 6:30 -8 p.m., Fairgrounds
June 22: Judging & Achievement Day, 5 p.m. (Montgomery Judges)
June 23: 4-H Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Extension Center
June 29: Fair Exhibits Entered, 9-11:00 a.m. (Lincoln Judges)
June 30 – July 4: Warren County Fair
July 5: Fair/Exhibit Cleanup, 8:00a.m.

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OPPORTUNITIES

Good Sportsmanship

As we approach our busy time of the year, 4-H'ers will be participating in Judging & Achievement Days, County Fairs and the Missouri State Fair. Let me remind you how important it is to show good sportsmanship. If you don't win your class, there's always another show with another judge. Remember, it's just one judge's opinion, so why don't you congratulate the winner because next time they might congratulate YOU.

Danish Ribbon System

4-H events and exhibits are judged and assigned a ribbon based on merit. A BLUE ribbon means excellence; a RED ribbon means superior and a WHITE ribbon means average. Keep this in mind as you compete in summer activities.

Be Sure to Say Thanks

Please, Please, Please don't forget to write thank you notes this summer! If you're going on a trip be sure to thank your sponsors. As you sell your livestock at the fair, your buyer would greatly appreciate your thank you. If you had an item in the exhibit hall, be sure to thank your project leader and club leader. Parents, please help encourage members to follow through.

Warren County Relay For Life

All teams need to contact Barbara Reis at tbreis@centurytel.net as soon as possible to get signed up.

Montgomery County Livestock Members

Don't forget to sign up for your four hours of work in order to show your livestock at the fair. Please call the Extension Office at 573-564-3733 for available times.

*happy
father's
day* 

Missouri Century Family

The Missouri Century Family program recognizes 4-H families with a long, sustained involvement in the 4-H Youth Development Program. Families with a combined 100 years or more of membership and or volunteer service in 4-H will be recognized. Applications are available in the office and are due to the state by July 4.

Tractor Supply

Are you ready for the Fair? If not, the new Tractor Supply in Troy can help! They will be stocking and taking special orders for Black or Brown Justin Western Boots for Lincoln County 4-H and FFA members now through the week of the fair. They also have a great selection of clothing including Carhartt and Wrangler. Stop by the Extension office to pick up your coupon for 20% off.

Lincoln County Horse Members

All horse members should plan to attend a meeting on Sunday, June 7 at 2:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds. Bring your horses to go over patterns and then plan to play riding games with your horse to cool off! There will be a super-soaker water fight (not on your horse!) so bring your water guns and towels. If you have questions contact Chrystal Schuerman at 636-236-2108.

State Shooting Sports Contest Rules

The new rules are now posted on the 4-H website. Go to <http://www.mo4h.missouri.edu> and click on events at the top and then click on shooting sports to the left and then click on contests and matches.

Aerospace Camp

Are you between the ages of 10 and 13 and interested in rockets? If so, Aerospace Camp may be for you! There will be 2 sessions: July 21-23 or July 28-30. The camp is held at the University of Missouri – Rolla. The registration fee is \$185.00 and is due by June 23. Contact the office if interested.

Robotics Camp

Are you between the ages of 11 and 15 and interested in robotics? Then you might want to enroll in the Robotics Camp to be held July 23-25 or July 27-29 at the University of Missouri – Rolla. The registration fee is \$385.00 and is due by July 9. Contact the office if interested.

Missouri Equine Council Contacts

The equine council is trying to connect with all horse associations and saddle clubs in the state to boost awareness of equine issues. Please send your association or saddle club information to Schellie Blochberger at osagehorses@hughes.net

UPDATES

Lincoln County Fair Work Nights

Every 4-H and FFA member is asked to help maintain the fairgrounds. Work nights will begin June 3 at 6:30 p.m. and will be every Wednesday until the fair. Livestock and non-livestock members both need to attend!

County Fairs Next Month

I hope project groups don't wait until the last minute to finish up project work. Fair tags are in the office, but please pick up only the number of tags you anticipate using. We will have special tags for Clover Kids. Remember, Clover Kids can exhibit two (2) items.

Warren County exhibits will be entered June 29, 9:00-11 a.m. with Lincoln County judging.

Lincoln County exhibits will be entered July 13, 8:30 - 11 a.m. with Montgomery County judging. Exhibits will be released July 19, 8:30 to 10:00 a.m.

Montgomery County exhibits will be entered July 20, 8:30 to 11 a.m. with Warren County judging.

EVERY YOUTH EXHIBITOR must turn in an Exhibitor Summary Form. Lincoln County's are due in the office by June 12. Montgomery and Warren's are due as they enter exhibits. Each exhibit must be listed separately on your form. You will not receive premiums or be eligible for State Fair if you do not turn in a form.

State Fair

The Missouri State Fair runs August 13-23. . Remember, large exhibits (tables, chairs, furniture) will not be transported by clubs in charge. The State 4-H office recommends that you take a picture of large items and send that for display. Contact your county office if you have questions concerning large exhibits.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Trent Braungardt, Lincoln County, for receiving a \$1,000 Edna & James Burch memorial scholarship.

REMINDERS

Lincoln County Club Leaders

After your June meeting, please let the office know of any members that have NOT been to six club meetings.

4-H Camp Coming Up

Separate information was sent out with details on camp. Parents, please make sure you read through the Camper Conduct Rules & Camp Committee Polices. They will be followed and campers will be sent home if they fail to follow them. Camp is June 16-19.

Remember Withdrawal Times for Your Livestock

Various preventative and therapeutic medicines may be used for disease management in show market livestock. These include vaccines and bacterin, antibiotics and antibacterial, parasiticide and corticosteroid. YOU, as exhibitors of your animals, must make sure that carcasses are free of violative and illegal residues of drugs, chemicals and feed additives.

Compounds such as tranquilizers, local and systemic anesthetics, diuretics and alcohol are not approved for show market animals.

Approved substances have an established withdrawal time. These are printed on the product label, package or feed tag. The withdrawal time is the length of time required for the substance to be eliminated from the animal's body before processing. The drug, chemical or feed additive is to be withdrawn for the number of days listed on the label before the animal is slaughtered.

Remember, it is your responsibility to see to it that your animal has no substance or drug residues at fair time. Medication is to be used only when necessary, and never as a substitute for proper care, handling and management. Let us be responsible livestock producers and exhibitors and remember that we are producing a food that all of us are consuming.

County Fair Exhibits

FOODS: don't forget a sample for the judges and a recipe.

ALL PROJECTS: poster size 14" x 22"

CLUB CORNER

Heading for the Fair...

Which Way Are You Headed?

As the Smith family rushed to load their 4-H exhibits into the car to take to the fair, the tension was almost unbearable. The last coat of finish on Ann's spice rack made in her woodworking project was still not dry, and Tim was hastily attaching a hanger to his drawing completed in the visual arts project.

The dog, which was to appear with Tim in the 4-H Dog Show, was nowhere to be seen.

Mr. Smith, in between searching for the dog and carrying projects to the car, was urging the kids to hurry. Everyone was on edge, and as the car sped out of the driveway, Mr. Smith could be heard to mutter, "**Never again, never again.**"

Many of us have found ourselves in similar situations as we prepare for 4-H contests, shows and fairs. As the event draws nearer, the pressure mounts. Sometimes, we get so wrapped up in the exhibit or the ribbon to be won that we lose sight of where we're really headed. When, or if, this happens to your family, here are some ideas to remember:

In 4-H, we believe that...

- ..the young person is more important than the project.
- ...a 4-H member should be his or her own best exhibit.
- ...no 4-H award is worth sacrificing the reputation or feelings of a 4-H member (or leader).
- ...learning how to do the project is more important than the project itself.
- ...a "blue ribbon" 4-H'er with a red ribbon exhibit is more desirable than a "red-ribbon" 4-H'er with a blue ribbon exhibit.
- ...and, again, the young person is more important than the project.

These ideas were developed by the Indiana 4-H Staff a number of years ago. They remind us that emphasis in 4-H has always been upon helping young people grow and develop. Rather than asking 4-H'er's "What did you win?" we should be asking, "What did you learn about your project? What did you learn about yourself?" Keeping these questions and ideas in mind will help us head in the right direction as we head for the fair, contest, or show.

(Thanks to Byron Morrison and Dave Hileman who shared the "I believe" statements.)

"You have not lived a perfect day unless you have done something for someone who will never be able to repay you."

-Unknown

