



# Benton County 4-H Clover Clippings

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## *Arkansas 4-H Centennial Gala*

*For the once-in-a-century Gala formal, Green ~~black~~-tie and gown affair the evening of Saturday, September 27, 2008, at the Peabody Hotel in Little Rock, AR. Tickets are for sale for \$150 with other sponsorship levels available. If you are interested in being on our mailing list for more information on the Gala, or know of someone who would like to be, please contact our office by May 30!*

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## Project Workshop Opportunities

### **Consumer Judging Workshop**

Tuesday, May 20 6 p.m.

All 4-H'ers interested in being on a Consumer Judging Team can come and learn what consumer judging is all about. Learn to make good decisions about buying clothes, cell phones or ordering something online! Senior members wanting to compete at the State O'Rama should attend this workshop. RSVP by **May 19**.

### **Parliamentary Procedure Workshop**

June 2 6 p.m. Extension Office Conference Room

This workshop is open to all club presidents, vice-presidents, parliamentarians and all senior members interested in being on the Parliamentary Procedure Team for State O'Rama. RSVP by **May 30**.

### **Food Bowl Practice**

Thursday, May 15 5 p.m.

All seniors interested in being on the Food Bowl for State O'Rama should attend. Junior members are welcome to come and learn with the older members! RSVP by **May 14**.

### **Goat Project Workshop**

June 6-7, 2008 Benton County Fairgrounds Registration Due: May 20  
\$20 per person or \$35 per family

Guest Speakers for the workshop: Bart & Christy Emerson from Taylor, AR. Christy organizes the SAU Goat Camp each June and has raised many champion goats. Bart works for SAU and has judged many county fair goat shows. The complete registration form and schedule is on [www.uaex.edu/benton/4h](http://www.uaex.edu/benton/4h) under "Application & Registration Forms."

# Livestock News



\* Please read the Arkansas State Fair Livestock Information on our website regarding Market Animal Nomination! This includes all Market Animal ID Kit order deadlines and costs! A weigh-back policy will be implemented in all market shows – 5 percent. The full Market Animal Information & Procedures can be found on the ASF website at [www.asfg.net](http://www.asfg.net). Please note that dates on the state fair website refer to the dates that the information is due to the state fair. **County deadlines are one week prior to the state fair deadline!**

## Arkansas State Fair Nominations

Information Packet is available at [www.uaex.edu/benton/4H](http://www.uaex.edu/benton/4H). Look under the “Clover Clippings” link for the complete county information sheet with all the county deadlines.

**Do you want to raise broilers for the AR/OK State Fair? Deadline for orders is June 30!**

They will be distributed in Fort Smith on August 7 from 2 – 4. All information can be found in the AR/OK State Fair Premium Catalog at [www.kayroderspark.com](http://www.kayroderspark.com).

**North Arkansas Area Horse Show** June 21 Harrison, AR Registration Deadline: June 2

Please see the county website for rules and registration information.

Ladies: Please let us know if you are interested in competing in the queen and princess contests!

**U of A Livestock Judging Camp** June

9 – 11 Ages 9 & up \$150 by May 16 or \$175 with the late fee charge.

Applications can be picked up at the Extension office. Groups will be divided into Advanced, Intermediate, and Beginner levels. This is a great learning experience opportunity!!

**Four States Dairy Camp** June 12 – 13 Bentonville Fairgrounds Cost: \$25 per person

Registration due: May 23. Learn all about your dairy project, including feeding, grooming, showing, bio-security, AI mating, judging, plus a lot more! Participants will be staying in a local hotel. Youth under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a parent or chaperone. For more information, contact Dr. Jodie Pennington at 501-671-2190, or call the County Extension office.

**4-State Dairy Days** June 13 – 14 Benton County Fairgrounds

Contact Tim Crawley for Registration form and information at 524-2893 or evenings at 291-4552 or by e-mail at [tlcrawley@centurytel.net](mailto:tlcrawley@centurytel.net).

**SAU Goat Camp** June 17-19 Magnolia, AR Cost: \$100 per youth/ \$50 per adult Register by: June 2

## Upcoming Shows & Sales

Pick of the Litter Show Pig Sale May 31 Hope, AR Fairgrounds 6 p.m.

Arkansas Junior Cattlemen’s Association Sanction Show Schedule can be found at <http://www.ajcattle.com>

Arkansas Invitational Prospect Sale May 23 Paragould, AR 6 p.m.  
Selling Swine, Sheep and Goats

## Premise ID Tags for Goats/Sheep

To receive your own premise ID you can contact the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission at P.O. Box 8505 Little Rock, AR 72215. Phone Number: 501-907-2400, Fax Number: 501-907-2425, E-mail: [info@arlpc.org](mailto:info@arlpc.org) or visit <http://www.arlpc.org/avpis.asp>. There is no cost to Arkansas livestock producers to register a premise. The volunteer premises identification system registration form is one page in length. It asks for information such as owner name, business name, and alternate contact person, mailing address, telephone number, e-mail address, business type, business unit (farm/ranch, clinic, livestock auction, exhibition, etc.) and species. When the form is completed, mail or fax it to the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission. They will review the form for approval. Once approved, the Livestock and Poultry Commission will submit the information to USDA for a premises identification number. Once USDA assigns a premises identification number, the livestock producer will be notified.

Special night at the Volunteer Leader/  
Parent Meeting!

### Senior Celebration

Tuesday, May 27 6 p.m.

Benton County 4-H Foundation will be hosting a reception for our graduating seniors. Come and join us in congratulating them on their success. We ask that Leaders, Seniors, and Parents please **RSVP by May 23.**

The May Adult Volunteer / Parent Meeting will begin at 7 p.m. Remember, one representative from each club should attend the meeting!

### Fruit Field Day

Youth and Adult Fruit Dessert Contest

Tuesday, June 24 Clarksville, AR

Rules: Open to youth ages 10 and above. Participant must be registered by Friday, June 20. Dessert must contain fruit and should not require refrigeration. It needs to be in disposable container and be entered between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. For more info, contact Susan Pickle at 479-754-2240.

### Ross Foundation 4-H Photography Contest

Photos Due May 23 to the County Extension office.

**Winners in each division will be sent to State! Cash**

The Following 4-H'ers have been selected to serve as '08 State Fair Ambassadors:

Dustin D. Hillary H. Sarah C. Lensey W.

Extension Homemakers Award

### Scholarships

The Benton County EHC awarded \$2,500 to 4-H'ers during their Spring Council Meeting. **Kayla B.** will receive \$1,500; **Ron J.** and **Leandra L.** with both receive \$500. Congratulations seniors and a BIG Thank you to our EHC members who worked hard to raise the money for these scholarships.

**FYI :** The Country Store at the County Fair is where this scholarship money is raised. If you have anything to donate for the sale, please contact us. They sell craft items, food (cookies, brownies, etc.), plants, books, etc. Also, try to go by there and support them during the fair. It is located by the fair office.

### Graduating Seniors

This is an exciting time for several of our 4-H Families. Congratulations to the following people: Kayla B., Tera C., Catherine C., Kelsey H., Jeremy H., Beau H., Jonathon H., Margie H., Ethan H., Taylor J., Lindsey L., Leandra L., Zachary L., Taylor M., Brennon P., Rachael R., Matthew R., Neal R., Rebecca S, Bethany S, and Brittany T.

prizes for County & State winners!

### RULES:

1. Members, ages 9 – 19, may enter a photo in the living color and non-living color and in the living Black & White and non-living Black & White.
  2. Must be scenes or subjects in Arkansas.
  3. Must have been taken in the current year.
  4. Date, location and negative or CD is required for photos.
  5. Social security numbers of winners must be submitted before they can be entered in the state competition.
- Complete Rules can be found at the County Extension office.

### ATV Essay Contest

The ATV safety essay contest has two categories: one for youth up to age 12 and one for ages 12 to the high school senior level. The essays will be scored on the basis of 50 points, with 20 points awarded for originality, 10 points for improvements/innovation, 10 points for grammar/style and 10 points for the safety issues considered or similar. The essay should be no more than 1,500 words. A panel of five judges will rate the essays, and their decision will be final. The deadline for submissions is Tuesday, June 1, 2008. Contact the County Extension office for complete rules & regulations.



Walk Across  
Arkansas

The Road  
Warrior Team  
Decatur 4-H

from

won the Most Improved Award!  
Team members were: Jayme B., Vickie B., Kim B., Haley B., Terri B., Darleen H, Makayla M, and Emily R.

Dairy Recipe Contest Winners

Party Idea: 1st Place: Mitchell B.

Main Dish: 1st Place: Dustin D.

Beef Recipe Contest Winner

1st Place: Dustin D.

Table Setting Contest Winners

Jr. Winner: Aryana M.

Sr. Winner: Rachel H.

District BBQ Results

1st Alternate: Jr. Mitchell B.

1st Alternate: Sr. Tyler S.

# O'Rama II

**May 19 Register by May 9**  
Open categories as of April 9, 2008.

## Juniors

Public Speaking  
Horse Talk  
Entomology Collection  
Technology Showcase  
Vet Science Talk

## Seniors

Animal Science Talk  
Pet Care Talk  
Consumer Ed Talk  
Citizenship Talk  
Health Talk  
Collection  
Human Development Talk  
Entomology Talk  
Showcase  
Forestry  
Bicycle  
Baitcasting  
Crop/Seed ID  
Entomology  
Talent – Dance  
Technology

4-H'ers with winning talks will represent Benton County at the Regional O'Rama on June 18 in Atkins near Russellville. Seniors that place in the top five at the Regionals will then compete at State O'Rama at the U of A during July 23–25! Don't miss out on the FUN!

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## State O'Rama Community Service Projects

### Coloring Kits

Please bring coloring books, boxes of crayons, fold top sandwich bags, and gallon size ziplock bags. These will go to the Arkansas Children's Hospital.

### Food Drive

Collect or donate nonperishable canned food items for a local food bank.

### Care Cloths for Red Cross:

#### 1ST AID KITS or HYGIENE KITS

Members can bring items for kits or they can sew washcloths bath mitt styles to be filled at O'Rama. Item examples: Band-Aids, small antibiotic ointment, alcohol pads, aspirin. Or: Combs, brush, toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, bar soap, lotion, deodorant, mouthwash, shaving cream, Kleenex. Members can bring care cloths sewn to O'Rama or bring washcloths and one-quarter inch wide ribbon.

### Pop top Drive

Bring your aluminum pop tops to the Community Service Room. The proceeds will benefit Arkansas Children's Hospital.

### Fleece Baby Blankets

Members can bring fleece by the yard or precut pieces. These will be given to Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Units. Pieces may be cut in any of the following sizes: face cloth 22 inches x 7 inches, mattress cover 24 inches x 30 inches, or incubator cover 50 inches x 68 inches. No hemming needed.

### Cancer Turbans

Bring them sewn. Turbans should be made of soft knit with some stretch. These will go to cancer treatment centers.

### Decorated Ball Caps

Members can donate new, solid color ball caps. Other items that can be donated for hot gluing onto the ball caps include: ponytail hair pieces, any shape flat jewels, fabric paint or markers, or silk flowers. These caps will be decorated for cancer patients.

**Remember: Look at the Calendar of Events Link to find the most up-to-date and current calendars!**

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