



Clark County CloverBee

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All meetings and activities announced in this newsletter are open to all youth between the ages of 5 and 19 without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, gender, or disability. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (large print, audiotapes, etc.) should notify the county Extension office as soon as possible prior to the activity.

Summer 4-H Schedule Set!

The 2008 Clark County 4-H schedule has been set for the months of May-August. Throughout this newsletter you will find more information on the May and June events. Look for more information on the July and August events in later newsletters. Please take the inserted calendar and put it on your refrigerator or somewhere else where you will have quick and easy access to deadline and event dates.

Ross Foundation Photo Contest Entries DUE

The 2008 Ross Foundation Photography Contest is underway, and county entries are due Tuesday, May 27. Please see the following guidelines:

Each 4-H member may enter a total of four photographs – one in each of the following categories:

- I. Color - Living
- II. Black and White – Living
- III. Color – Non-Living
- IV. Black and White – Non-Living

Examples of the **living division** are people, animals, insects, birds, fish, reptiles and wildlife.

Examples of the **non-living division** are buildings, landscapes, still-life scenes, plants, flowers, conservation scenes, weather scenes, scenic views, etc. Scenic views may include people, but the people should not be dominant.

The following information **MUST** be included with the photo: the 4-H member's name, county, category entered, date taken and where the photo was taken. This information should be typed or printed on a slip of paper and taped to the back of the photo. If you write the information on the back of the photo, do not write hard since it will show through on the good side. Do not pin, staple or clip this information to the photo.

Digital cameras are allowed. You should set the camera for highest resolution. For judging, we need an 8" X 10" picture on photo quality paper. The photo may be enhanced to improve quality, and you may change a color image into black and white. A CD-R disk containing the jpeg photo must be submitted.

If you use a film camera, you may shoot in color but have the processor print photos in black and white for contest submission. A negative must accompany each entry. Please do not cut negatives apart.

First through third places will be named in each of the four categories. Juniors and Seniors compete together.

The county 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners in each category will receive cash prizes from the Clark County 4-H Foundation and the opportunity to compete in the state contest.

Regional O-Rama Deadline

Many Clark County 4-Hers competed in County O-Rama and will be traveling to Malvern to compete at the Regional 4-H O-Rama on June 17. If you were not able to attend County O-Rama, but are interested in competing at Regional O-Rama, please call the Extension Office for information on what events are still open to compete in. The ABSOLUTE deadline to register for Regional O-Rama is May 29.

Cloverbud's Fruity Fun Day Camp

Calling all Cloverbuds! Don't miss out on the Fruity Fun Day Camp on Friday, June 6! We will be traveling to 5K Orchard in Donaldson to pick blackberries and possibly nectarines. We will then take our fruit to the fairgrounds where you will learn to make easy, yummy dishes using the blackberries and nectarines. Meet at the Extension Office at 8:00 a.m. We will be finished by 12 noon. **Please register by May 30. There is a \$5 registration fee due to "hold your spot."** This fee will be used to purchase your fruit and some of the cooking supplies.



Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math Day Camp

For our Junior (ages 9 – 13) and Senior (ages 14 – 19) 4-H members this year, we will be focusing on Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math (STEM) at our Day Camps on **June 19 & 20**. We have exciting activities in the areas of rocketry, astronomy, robotics, global positioning systems (GPS), and financial management planned. There has been a growing interest in these areas, so we thought we would offer hands-on learning experiences for our 4-Hers! **This camp will be limited to the first 20 4-Hers to sign up and pay their \$10 registration fee (\$5 per day) by June 12. The registration fee must be paid to hold your spot.** Thanks to Hodge Hunter, Clark County 4-Her and State 4-H Technology Team member, for helping to plan these day camps.



Market Goat Showmanship Clinic

We have several 4-Hers that will be showing Market Goats for the first time this fair season. To help you all (including those that have shown before) be more confident in the show ring, we are offering a Market Goat Showmanship Clinic **on Saturday, June 21** from 9 a.m. – 12 noon at the Clark County Fairgrounds. Learn what to include in your show box, how to care for, and how to show your goats. Bring your own goat! There will be a **\$15 per FAMILY registration fee** to cover the cost of the *Goat Resource Handbook* for each family to take home. **Please register and pay your fee by Friday, June 6.**

Food Safety & Preservation Workshops

Two 4-H Food Safety & Preservation Workshops will be held this summer at Proctor Hall on the H.S.U. campus. 4-H'ers will learn to preserve food safely while having fun. **These workshops are limited to the first 16 4-H'ers to pay their \$5 registration fee. Participants MUST be able to read recipes.** Long hair should be pulled back and closed-toe shoes should be worn.

The first workshop will be held on June 26. **Deadline to register for the June 26 workshop is June 19.**

The second workshop will be held July 8. **Deadline to register for the July 8 workshop is July 1.**

4-H'ers will be creating jams, jellies and salsa at these workshops.



4-H Teen Stars Named

Congratulations to John H. and Hodge H. for being named 4-H Teen Stars! The



* Arkansas 4-H Teen Stars program is a recognition program for Arkansas 4-H members who have outstanding achievement in the areas of 4-H projects and activities, leadership, and community service. John and Hodge are both members of the L'eau Frais Club at Manchester and of the Teen Leader Club.

Forestry Team Does Well at State Contest

The Clark County Junior and Senior Forestry Teams represented their county well at the State 4-H Forestry Contest held May 15 at the Forestry Resources Building on the campus of the University of Arkansas at Monticello. The Clark County teams competed with teams from all across the state in the areas of tree identification, tree measurement, compass traverse, insects & diseases and a forestry quiz.

The Junior Team, including John Michael C., Kurtlyn G., Lucas R., and Emily W. placed 1st in their division. Individually, Emily won 2nd in insects & diseases, 2nd in quiz, 3rd in compass traverse, 3rd in tree i.d., and 3rd overall individual. Kurtlyn won 2nd in quiz and 3rd in tree measurement. John Michael won 2nd in compass traverse.

The Senior Team, including Josh B., Shelby G., Hodge H., and Brandon W. placed 4th in their division. Individually, Brandon won 3rd in the quiz and 3rd in insects & diseases. Hodge won 1st in insects & diseases.

Congratulations on a job well done! The Forestry Teams are trained by 4-H leader Jonathan Simpson.



Clark County 4-H Get a VAN!

County Judge Ron Daniell, Representative Johnnie Roebuck and Senator Percy Malone obtained funds through the West Central Arkansas Planning and Development District to purchase a van for the Clark County 4-H Foundation. The 15-passenger van was much needed for traveling to various 4-H functions, both in the county and across the state. The next time you see the County Judge, the Representative, or the Senator, be sure to give them a big "THANK YOU" for helping our program so much! We also want to thank Gildner Autogroup for helping find the van for us!



New State Fair Ambassador Named

Clark County 4-H member Devin S. of Okolona has been named a Arkansas State Fair Ambassador. State Fair personnel have selected a core group of 4-H and FFA members who are willing to serve as official Junior Ambassadors to the Arkansas State Fairgrounds throughout the year. Devin joins fellow Clark County 4-H members Taylor C., Kate H. and Kristin L. who were previously names State Fair Ambassadors. Congratulations, Devin!

Clark County Does Well at District 4-H BBQ

Congratulations to John Michael C. who won 1st place on the Junior level at the District 4-H BBQ held on the Clark County Fairgrounds on May 17! The top five 4-H BBQ'ers from each county in the Southwest District competed for the top prize. John Michael will now compete for the State Broiler BBQ title at the Poultry Convention in Rogers on June 14. Congratulations also to Kristin L., 2nd alternate on the Senior level and Ashley C., 1st alternate on the Junior level!



Kaylee S. Wins Judging Contest

Kaylee S., a member of the Gurdon 4-H Stars, has won the national ShowMaster Feed Online Judging Contest for the 13-and-under division! Kaylee had to judge 12 animal classes, including lambs, ewes, heifers, steers, market hogs and meat goats. She has won several nice prizes as a result. Good job, Kaylee!



County O’Rama Results ---

County 4-H O-Rama/Big B Day was held Saturday, April 26 at the Clark County Fairgrounds. Many 4-Hers and their families attended and we enjoyed beautiful weather and a lot of fun. Congratulations to all the participants!

The winners of each of the events were:

Jr. Food Fair Demonstration – Lauren Q.

Jr. Public Speaking – Alexandria H.

Sr. Animal Science Talk – Devin S.

Sr. Public Speaking – Hodge H.

Sr. Crop Seed Identification – Taylor C.

Jr. Bicycle – Kurtlyn G.

Sr. Baitcasting – John H.

Jr. Baitcasting – Autumn G.

Jr. BB Shooting/Gun Safety – Ashley C.

Sr. BB Shooting/Gun Safety – Hodge H.

Overall Yeast Bread – Eddie P.

Overall Quick Bread – Kolton O.

Broiler BBQ top five:

1st – Kristin L.

2nd – John Michael C.

3rd – Lauren Q.

4th – Ashley C.

5th Sierra A.



Other participants in County O-Rama and the Broiler BBQ included: Tanner A., Xander A., Drake G., Shelby G., Hunter G., Kylee O., Cara R., Devin S., and Brandon W.