

## 4-H Clover News



# LAWRENCE COUNTY



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# HAPPY NEW YEAR

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### Message From Bryce

Hello everyone. I hope that each of you had a wonderful holiday season. Now that the holidays are over I would like to get everybody back on track with what is going on in 4-H. I am really excited about the upcoming year and working with the 4-H'ers of Lawrence County. It has been a long time since I have attended or competed in any 4-H event and I am looking forward to it. I hope that I can do just as good of a job as the old Bryce did.

We are going to hold a Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Program (WHEP) practice session at the Extension office on January 10, 2008. The practice will start at 6:00 p.m. and will probably last an hour. I have never done this before, so please be patient with me. The first meeting will be kind of an informational meeting. I would like to establish teams, determine meeting times, and inform everybody of the animals that will be in this year's competition—also talk about some of the animals. I will also address concerns that any of you might have. There will also be a statewide practice this year at ASU-Beebe on February 16. The deadline for registration is February 1, so if you want to attend this practice, please let me know by January 21. The cost of this practice session will be \$6. Lunch will be provided. If you can't make this month's meeting and would like to be a part of the WHEP, please contact the County Extension Office at 886-3741.

I am also still looking for anyone interested in being a part of a livestock judging team.

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### **MEETING DATES AND LEADER CONTACTS**

Meeting dates and locations are subject to change. Contact the leaders listed below if information is needed on meeting locations.

**HILLCREST:** 1<sup>ST</sup> Tuesday @ 7:00

Delise Coles: 870-528-9917

[dcoles@rvsd.nesc.k12.ar.us](mailto:dcoles@rvsd.nesc.k12.ar.us)

**TRAILBLAZERS:** 1<sup>ST</sup> Wednesday @ 3:00

Gail Rorex: 870-869-2937

[grorex@yahoo.com](mailto:grorex@yahoo.com)

**TEEN LEADERS:** 1<sup>ST</sup> Thursday @ 6:30

Bryce Baldrige: 878-886-3741

[bbaldrige@uaex.edu](mailto:bbaldrige@uaex.edu)

**TECH TEAM:** 2<sup>ND</sup> Tuesday @ 4:30

Scott Rorex: 870-869-2937

[scott@rorexteam.com](mailto:scott@rorexteam.com)

**SHUTTERBUGS:** 3<sup>RD</sup> Monday @ 6:30

Patricia Barnes: 870-878-6089

[lfbarnes@peoplepc.com](mailto:lfbarnes@peoplepc.com)

**DISCOVERY:** 3<sup>RD</sup> Wednesday @ 3:30

Tammie Lemmons: 870-886-2899

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Sarah Callahan: 501-940-9663

[sarah.callahan@bobcats.k12.ar.us](mailto:sarah.callahan@bobcats.k12.ar.us)

**WESTERN WRANGLERS:** 3<sup>RD</sup> Thursday @ 6:30

Sandra McGinnis: 870-878-6571

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#### ***BRYCE CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1:***

You do not have to own any livestock to be a part of a judging team. All that is required is to have an interest in livestock and a desire to learn how to correctly evaluate an animal. There will be a judging camp this year in Fayetteville. The dates will be June 9–11. This will be an excellent camp for the beginner to the advanced contestant. I am not sure of the cost right now. Those interested in taking part in this camp, please let me know so that I can add your name to the list. You do not

have to go to camp to be a part of the judging team.

All youth who were members from October 2006 through September 2007 are invited to the annual Achievement Banquet which will be held January 19, 2008, at the Black Rock School cafeteria beginning at 6:30 p.m. Families who are attending are being asked to bring a vegetable or salad side dish as we will supply the meat, bread drink and dessert. I hope to see you there.

I would also like to remind everyone of the February applications that are due into the county office by January 21 including the Counselor applications for the Forestry & Wildlife and State Camps. Application is also due in our office by January 21 for anyone is interested in going on the Citizenship Washington Focus trip. I have personally attended this trip as a 4-H'er and enjoyed it very much. Attendees get to meet their elected officials and get a first hand look at how government really works. There is a \$400 deposit that must be turned in with the application.

That is all that I have for now. Again, I hope everybody had a wonderful and safe holiday season and I look forward to having a great year with you in 4-H.



**January 21<sup>st</sup> is the County due date for the following activities and events:**  
Arkansas Adventure Spring Trek Applications, Counselor Applications for

Forestry & Wildlife and State Camps, C...WF Delegate Applications with \$400 deposit and 4-H Journals (Cloverbud, Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced.)

## **2006–07 Journals Are Due January 21<sup>st</sup>**

4-H members who would like to enter a Journal this year and need some help getting started or finishing up should call the Extension Office at 886-3741 and let us know. We will be glad to sit down and work with you individually. Just remember that your final product must be turned in by January 21<sup>st</sup>, allowing plenty of time for it to be proofed at the County Level before going on to the State 4-H Office.

## **SUMMER STATE CAMPS INFORMATION**

It's that time of the year again... Summer 4-H State Camps for ages 9 – 15 will be July 7, 8, and 9 at the 4-H Center at Ferndale, just outside of Little Rock. The pre-registration date is just around the corner so you need to begin discussing with your parents your desire to attend. As a reminder, **State Camp** is for ages 9 – 12 and **Adventure Challenge** Camp is for ages 13 – 15. The costs are: State Camp – a \$10 deposit plus \$99 and Adventure Challenge – a \$10 deposit plus \$110. The deposits are due at the time of application and the balance will be due in late April or early May. The final day to give us your name and the deposit is February 18. There will be pre-registration forms in the Achievement Banquet programs. Those who know they plan to go can fill their forms in that night and give them to Mary Jane.

There will be a State **Cloverbud Camp** June 17 & 18. A parent or guardian

must attend in order for their child to participate.

## **Alumni Search Contest Deadline Extended**

The deadline for members to submit 4-H alumni names and contact information has been extended until 31<sup>st</sup>. The Retro Home Entertainment System will not be presented at the Banquet as was earlier announced.

**Leader's Training January 28<sup>th</sup>** at the Powhatan Community Center beginning at 6:30 p.m.

## **New County Policy Guide For 4-H Members, Leaders and Volunteers**

A guide to clarify our county 4-H policies has been written and a copy for each 4-H member has been given to the main leader of each club. If you have not yet received your copy, please ask your leader. It is important that you be familiar with the policies because they could affect you. There is a policy related to Livestock Projects and Showing. There is also a policy related to payment of fees for events and a policy related to a member cancelling attending an event. You may go to the Lawrence County 4-H website <http://www.uaex.edu/lawrence/4H/default.htm>

# 4-H Members and Parents Are Invited to the 2006-07 Annual Achievement Banquet

The Annual Banquet to recognize and honor 4-H members, clubs, and leaders for their accomplishments and achievements during the 2006-07 4-H year will be held on Saturday, January 19, at the Black Rock School Cafeteria beginning at 6:30 p.m. The portion of the meal provided through the Extension Office will consist of smoked pork tenderloin, bread, dessert & drink. The salads and vegetables will be potluck with each family in attendance asked to bring a dish.

The presentation of awards will be held following the meal. **Awards will be presented to** youth who won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the County O'Rama events and all who went on to participate at the Regional and State levels. Member's who participated in other county, regional and state events such as submitting a Journal, WHEP, Land Judging, BB-Q Broiler, and Ross Photography, will also receive awards. All leaders will be recognized for their years of volunteerism and all first year 4-H members in attendance will receive a membership pin. The highlight of the evening will be the announcement of the Junior and Senior County Champions, which will follow the presentation of Honor Members.

## Looking For A Few Good Folks

We are looking for members, leaders and/or parents who are willing to serve on the banquet decoration committee. Please call Bryce or Mary Jane at 870-886-3741, if you can donate a little of your time before, and on, the date of the banquet.

## 4-H Donates \$800 to the Lawrence County Children's Shelter Fund

Sheriff Dan Ellison attended the 4-H Christmas party held on December 1<sup>st</sup> and accepted a check for \$800 to be deposited into the Children's Shelter Fund. The money was half of the proceeds from the Miss Iron Mt. Photogenic contest held in late October. The balance of the money raised will be used to finance county 4-H events and activities.



Pictured with Sheriff Ellison are 4-H members Grace, Guy, Evan, Mallory and Casey.

## RE-ENROLLMENT FORMS

are being mailed to all members and volunteers who have not yet completed the re-enrollment process for October 1, 2007 through September 31, 2008. Please return it in the pre-addressed envelope as soon as possible. **IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THIS BE DONE BY ANYONE PLANNING TO PARTICIPATE IN 4-H ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS.**



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## **Annual 4-H Achievement Banquet**

**Saturday, January 19, 2008**

**Black Rock School Cafeteria**

**Dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m.**

**All members, leaders, volunteers and parents are invited to attend. Complete details are on page 4 of this newsletter.**