



SALINE COUNTY GREEN & WHITE NEWS

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I'm ready for spring! What about you? I have decided I love every season that comes to us. They last just the right amount of time and then you're anticipating the next one. Spring is always a busy time for county activities. I hope you will come to the activities that are in this newsletter. If you're in doubt, please let me know and I'll explain everything about them.

Talent and Fashion Revue

The talent contest (vocal, instrumental, or dance) and our fashion revue (constructed and purchased) on **Saturday, February 6 at 5:30 p.m. at Birchtree Auditorium.** We are providing chili, but we are asking that you bring the fixings. Please call or email to let us know what you'll be bringing. We need cheese, fritos, crackers, onions, etc. For details go to:

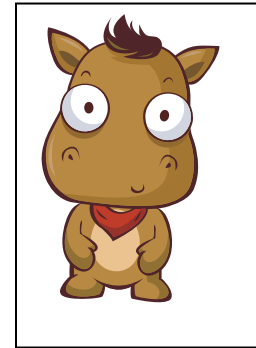
http://www.kidsarus.org/go4it/Activities_Events/event_packet/default.htm

To get to Birchtree Auditorium: On the access road before you get to the fairgrounds, turn between the BP station and Holland Chapel Baptist Church on Airplane Drive. Go nine tenths of a mile, you will come to a sharp left curve – follow this around and you will be on Mary Kaye Blvd. You will see the building on the left about one-tenth of a mile down.

4-H is Online!

Enclosed in this newsletter is a page that tells you how to go online and register as a 4-H member in Saline County. This will allow you to register for state and eventually county activities online as well as pay online by echeck or credit card. You may still bring hard copies to the office, however. Let me know if you have any questions about this process. Please do this soon so we can be ready for camps this summer.

Cowboy Boot Camp for the Entire Family



March 25 - 26, 2010

Bar 50 Ranch

Bismark, Arkansas

888-829-9570

www.barfiftyranch.com

Cost:

\$35 - 4-H member/parent with horse

\$15 - 4-H member/parent without horse

(Includes materials and meals only)

Accommodations can be made by contacting Bar 50 Ranch.

Hands-on workshops:

basic grooming, trail riding, tack and equipment care, equine dentistry,
nutrition and hoof care.

Speakers include:

veterinarians, 4-H members/volunteers, Extension professionals, and farriers.

**Register by March 15
Call 870-352-3505**

4-H Spring Break Camps at the 4-H Center

Day Camp for 7-12 year olds

March 22-26, 2010

7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. each day

Activities: fishing, canoeing, archery, hiking, arts and crafts, rock climbing and more
\$250 (includes activities, afternoon snack, t-shirt)

For more information:

http://www.kidsarus.org/go4it/Opportunities/spring_break/day_camp/default.htm

Overnight Camp for 9-12 year olds

March 22-24, 2010

Begins 9 a.m. Monday, Ends 10 a.m. Wednesday

Activities: archery, canoeing, fishing, crafts, rock climbing, scavenger hunt, digital photography, hiking, campfire and more!

\$150 (fee includes all activities, meals, lodging, t-shirt)

For more information or application:

http://www.kidsarus.org/go4it/Opportunities/spring_break/overnight_camp/default.htm

Family Camp

March 26-28, 2010

Begins 5 p.m. Friday, Ends 10 a.m. Sunday

Activities: learn to put up a tent*, cook in the outdoors, canoe, hike, and more!

* You will have the option of sleeping in a tent on Saturday night

\$100/person (fee includes all activities, meals, lodging, t-shirt)

For more information or application:

http://www.kidsarus.org/go4it/Opportunities/spring_break/family_camp/default.htm



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4-H Poultry Chain Deadline – February 24

The 4-H Foundation sells you 25 Bovan Brown day old chicks for **\$0.50** each or **\$12.50** total that you raise. We provide vaccinations for them along the way, but you are responsible for food, water, and shelter. You must also agree to bring back 3 birds to the county fair in September to be sold in the Livestock Auction. The money raised from the auction goes back into the program for the next year's project. The birds will arrive on approximately **March 12**.

It is time to place your order for the chicks. They are only offering Bovan Brown (sometimes called Cinnamon Queens or Golden Comet). Let me know if you want to participate in this project. You must be sure that you want to participate when you place the order!

This year, the birds will be \$0.50 each.

Please call me if you have questions regarding this project. It is a lot of fun and a great learning experience. These birds lay wonderful eggs!



Virginia McClure – Shining Stars leader is planning a bird watch day at Lake Ouachita on Saturday, February 20. Boat riding, geocaching will take place. There is a small cost involved. Please call Virginia at 317-1741 if you have questions. Sounds like fun!

***Teen Leaders and PALS (Parents and Leaders) meeting will be at the
EXTENSION OFFICE on
Tuesday, February 23 at 6:30 p.m.***

Advanced 4-H Counselor Training – due Feb. 26th

What is Advanced Counselor Training?

Advanced Counselor Training is an opportunity for any 4-H adult leader or teen leader to get some in-depth camp leadership training.

What is the fee for the training?

\$70/person - due at the time of application – checks made payable to Saline County 4-H.

Does a teen have to have attended the January 2009 Counselor Training to attend this training?

No. Anyone 15 or older who is interested in the training can attend.

When and where is the training?

March 12-13, 2010 – Last year, it began at 7 p.m. Friday and ended at 3:30 p.m. Saturday at the 4-H Center. It will probably be similar this year, although I haven't received an official agenda.

What form do I need to fill out?

Teens fill out FY 4-H - 655

Adults fill out FY 4-H - 656

When is the application deadline?

Applications must be in the county office by Wednesday, February 26, 2010.

2010 Beekeeping Essay – due February 16



“Is My Community Honey Bee-Friendly?” is the theme for this year's beekeeping essay contest. The rules will be emailed to you upon request. This is not hard to do! This is for junior and senior 4-H'ers. The national prize is \$750 for the first place. Well worth the effort. Not a lot of people enter this contest so email me for details. The essay needs to be 750-1000 words.

Calendar of Events



- February 4** Salem Superstars Meeting -- 6:30 p.m., Salem United Methodist Church
- February 5** Helping Hands Club Meeting -- 2:00 p.m., Extension Office
- February 6** Talent & Fashion -- 5:30 p.m., Birchtree Auditorium
- February 8** Paron Lion's Pride 4-H meeting -- 6:00 p.m., Paron Community Center
- Haskell 4-H Club meeting -- 6:30 p.m., Harmony Grove Cafeteria
- Shining Stars 4-H Club Meeting -- 6:30 p.m., Johnson Street COC
- February 9** Livestock Club -- 6:30 p.m., Fairgrounds
- February 12-14** Entrepreneur and Advanced Entrepreneur Camp
- February 15** Paron Lion's Pride 4-H meeting -- 6:00 p.m., Paron Community Center
- February 16** Beekeeping Essay Contest Entries due
Wiggles & Wags Dog Club meeting -- 6:30 p.m., Fairgrounds
Magic Clovers 4-H Club -- 6:30 p.m., Fairgrounds
- February 18** Freedom Reins Horse Club meeting -- 7 p.m., Fairgrounds
- February 19-20** Ambassador Workshop -- 4-H Center
- February 20** Bird Watch Day -- Lake Ouachita
- February 22** Paron Lion's Pride 4-H Meeting -- 6:00 p.m., Paron Community Center
- February 23** PALS (Parents & Leaders) and Teen Leader Meeting -- 6:30 p.m., Extension Office
- February 26** Advanced Camp Counselor Training Applications due
- February 27** WHEP Practice -- Beebe
- February 27- March 4** Angie in Washington D.C. for Faculty Leadership Trip

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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.