



*Baxter County 4-H  
Cloverleaves Newsletter*



*April 2008*



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4-H members pictured received awards for their hard work and dedication in completing 4-H project journals. Front row left to right Loren A., Anna D., Jasmine T., Lane A., Brody J., Randy B., and Cody P. Back row Hannah C., Larissa R., Bodie C., Brett H., and Tyler J.

**Attention 4-H members, leaders and parents:**

We can stick a fork in the 2008 4-H Award and Recognition Banquet, "Honoring the Past—Celebrating the Future," 100 years of 4-H in Arkansas. A big thanks goes out to everyone who attended the banquet held at the First Christian Church. Special thanks go to all the volunteers who helped make the event a great success!



Have a great month of April.  
Your 4-H Agent,

## .2008 4-H Awards and Recognition Banquet

### Beginners Project Book Winners

Jasmine T. (Poultry)  
Randy B. (Swine)  
Bodie C. (Beef)  
Lane A. (Woodworking)  
Brett H. (Goat)  
Cody P. (Photography)  
Anna D. (Pet Care)

Honorable Mentions:  
Larissa R. (Photography)  
Ryan B. (Photography)

### Intermediate Project Book Winners

Hannah C. (Beef)  
Rodney B. (Swine)  
Tyler J. (Horse)  
Loren A. (Public Speaking)

### Advanced Project Book Winners

Sarah G. (Swine)  
Diana T. (Arts & Humanities)

Honorable Mentions:  
Samantha B. (Swine)

### Cloverbuds Submitting Program Records

Brody J.

Awards included 4-H project medallions and pins. County winners in each area were submitted on to the state.



To receive honors, these 4-H members completed requirements on the Club, County, District, and State level. Awards included t-shirts, caps, windbreakers, sweatshirts, and tote bags. For more information on how to apply for Honor Members, contact the office at 425-2335.

### Junior Honor Members

Cody P.  
Anna D.  
Brett H.  
Tyler J.  
Bodie C.  
Larissa R.  
Lane A.  
Hannah C.  
Loren A.  
Randy B.  
Rodney B.  
Jasmine T.

### Senior Honor Members

Sarah G.  
Diana T.  
Samantha B.

### Outstanding Jr. and Sr. 4-H Member

#### Jr. 4-H'ers

Cody P.  
Anna D.  
Brett H.

#### Sr. 4-H'ers

Sarah G.  
Diana T.



### 4-H outdoor O'Rama/Broiler BBQ

#### Don't forget about O'Rama!!

Outdoor O'Rama will be this Saturday, April 5. The broiler BBQ will start at 9 a.m. sharp! Bicycle, bait casting, and B.B. gun competition will be at 1 p.m. Please let me know in advance if you are going to compete.

**4-H County Council Meeting, April 10, 6:30 pm at County Extension Office** We will be discussing 4-H promotion in the county and centennial activities. We will also discuss times for officer and leaders trainings. All 4-H members are invited to attend.

### Camp Counselor Training, April 19

Senior 4-H'ers that would like to be camp counselors for county camp in July will need to attend the April 19 training in Boone County. If you are interested in being a counselor contact the Ext. Office at 425-2335 or email [bmajors@uaex.edu](mailto:bmajors@uaex.edu).



The first Friday of every month, Greggs Farms Supply in Midway will be having fundraisers for local organizations. **On Friday, April 4, 4-H will be the chosen organization!** Food will be served beginning at 11 a.m. Please drop by to thank them for their generous offer.



### **Baxter County 4-H Rabies Vaccination Clinic April 25-26, 2008**

Each year, the Baxter County 4-H Clubs and county veterinarians co-sponsor a countywide rabies vaccination clinic. Besides being an excellent community service program, it provides considerable funds for your county 4-H foundation.

This year's clinic is scheduled for April 25-26. We have flyers of the vaccination schedules that can be picked up at the Extension office. The Baxter County 4-H Foundation will receive 75 cents per rabies vaccination. Be sure and say thank you to the veterinarians for conducting the 4-H Rabies Vaccination Clinic.

The success of the clinic is greatly supported by 4-H'ers that make posters and distribute clinic schedules in their communities, city hall, area stores, and anywhere that the public may see them. I know you and your club will help make



### **It's time to order seeds for the Giant Pumpkin and Watermelon Contest!**

If you would like to try your hand at growing pumpkins and watermelon, please have your seed orders in by April 9, 2008.

The top two county winners will be eligible to enter the "State Weigh-in". The weigh-in will be held during the **first Saturday**, Oct 11 at the Arkansas State Fair. Note that this is the first Saturday of the fair, **not** 4-H day at the fair. Last year, a total of \$1,600 in prize money was awarded to 4-H contestants with the largest pumpkins and watermelon.

4-H participants can also enter their pumpkins or watermelon in the AR State Fair Creative Arts Exhibitors Competition. They need to follow the guidelines for each separate competition and be present at the official weigh-in with their pumpkins and watermelons. Check the current State Fair Handbook (will be available at [www.arkansasstatefair.com](http://www.arkansasstatefair.com) ).

Not sure how to grow giant pumpkins and watermelons? Get everything you need to know at the Extension Office.



## **Show season is upon us!!**

### **NORTHERN ARKANSAS DISTRICT SPRING JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW**

Horse Show—April 25-26, 2008; **Speed Events will begin at 7 p.m. on Friday and performance will begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday.**

Livestock Show—April 25-26, 2006

Show Books and Registration Forms can be picked up at the Extension Office.

### **Baxter County 4-H Horse Show at the Mountain Home Saddle Club Arena**

Friday, May 16, Speed Events: 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 17. Performance Events: 9 a.m.

(Rain Date: Sunday, May 18, 1 p.m.)

### **District Horse Show**

The district Horse Show will be held June 21 at Boone County Saddle Club Arena. You must pre-register by June 1.

### **State Horse Show**

The State Horse Show will be held July 7-10 in Benton, Arkansas.



### **State Spring Livestock Show**

The State Spring Show will be May 1-3, 2008.



## Food Bowl Participants Wanted!

Interested in training for the State O'Rama Food Bowl? You must be a senior 4-H member. We need a three member team, plus one alternate. Training for the Food Bowl will help you learn more about nutrition, dietary requirements, safe food handling, and the prevention of foodborne illness. The top three Food Bowl teams in the state will be invited to participate in the mid-State Fair. If you are interested, contact Tanya at 425-2335 or [tyates@uaex.edu](mailto:tyates@uaex.edu).

**4-H 5K Run/Walk** Mark your calendar for the 4th Annual 4-H 5K Trail Run/Walk. This event will be held on Saturday, April 19 at the C.A. Vines 4-H Center. Anyone interested in participating can contact the Extension Office for registration cost and other details at 425-2335.

More Than You Ever  
**Imagined!**

## Poster due for Art Contest by April 21

Ten finalists will be selected for competition in the Mid-South Fair Poster Art Contest. The awards at the Mid-South Fair are listed below:

1st Place - \$35 plus ribbon  
2nd Place - \$25 plus ribbon  
3rd Place - \$10 plus ribbon

On the state level, the top ten winners will receive certificates, which will be presented at the Regional 4-H O-Ramas. The themes for 2008 are as follows: **4-H: Wired for Success**

**Open theme (create a poster and theme to go with it)**

For contest rules and regulations contact the Extension office at 425-2335 or email [bmajors@uaex.edu](mailto:bmajors@uaex.edu).



## ROSS FOUNDATION 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST AND EXHIBIT

Photos due to Extension Office by May 15

For more information contact the office at 425-2335 or go to [http://www.kidsarus.org/go4it/Activities\\_Events/event\\_packet/p-competitive\\_activities\\_part\\_two/ross\\_photography.pdf](http://www.kidsarus.org/go4it/Activities_Events/event_packet/p-competitive_activities_part_two/ross_photography.pdf) for contest information.



## State Fair Market Animal Nominations Rates and Deadlines

### MARKET STEERS

Ownership Deadline: May 16  
Animal ID Packet Order: May 9, \$20/hd.  
Animal ID Packet Order (late): May 16, 30/hd.  
Online Nomination: May 23, FREE  
Online Nomination (late): June 6, \$10/hd.  
**Market Steer Show: Wednesday, October 15**  
Weight Limits: Minimum - 1000; Maximum - None  
5% weigh back

### MARKET HOGS

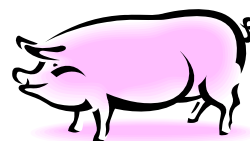
Ownership Deadline: July 7  
Animal ID Packet Order: June 20, \$15/hd.  
Animal ID Packet Order (late): July 7, \$25/hd.  
Online Nomination: July 14, FREE  
Online Nomination (late): July 21, \$5/hd.  
**Market Hog Sift: Wednesday, October 15**  
**Market Hog Show: Thursday, October 16**  
*All Market Hogs must qualify for the Show in the Sift on Wednesday.*  
Weight Limits: Minimum - 220; Maximum - 280  
5% weigh back  
Exhibitors may nominate 4 and may show 2 in the sift and show. Must be the same 2 hogs.

### MARKET LAMBS

Ownership Deadline: July 14  
Animal ID Packet Order: July 4, \$15/hd.  
Animal ID Packet Order (late): July 14, \$25/hd.  
Online Nomination: July 21, FREE  
Online Nomination (late): July 28, \$5/hd.  
**Market Lamb Show: Saturday, October 11**  
Weight Limits: Minimum - 90; Maximum - 150  
5% weigh back  
Exhibitors may nominate 4 and may show 3.

### MARKET GOATS

Ownership Deadline: July 14  
Animal ID Packet Order: July 7, \$15/hd.  
Animal ID Packet Order (late): July 14, \$25/hd.  
Online Nomination: July 21, FREE  
Online Nomination (late): July 28, \$5/hd.  
**Market Goat Show: Monday, October 13**  
Weight Limits: Minimum - 50; Maximum - None  
5% weigh back  
Exhibitors may nominate 4 and may show 3.



Visit: <http://www.arkansasstatefair.com> for more Arkansas State Fair information





## Northwest Arkansas First Annual "Kids Camp"

Kids Camp will cover animal health, nutrition, and selection as well as showmanship and grooming presented by **Kipp Brown**, from Mississippi State University Extension Service.

**Cost:** \$65 per camper (ages 5-19)

**Parents & Ag Teachers:** \$20

**Children ages 5-8 must be accompanied by an adult.**

**Date:** June 5, 6 and 7

**Check-in time:** Thursday, 3-7 p.m.

**Place:** Northwest Arkansas District Fair Grounds, Harrison, AR.

Space is limited. For more information, please call the Boone County Extension Office at 870-741-6168.

# Centennial News



In honor of 4-H centennial year, the Lucky Covers and the Norfolk Rebels 4-H Clubs each donated 100+ non-perishable food items to local food banks in their communities.



## Scholarship info.

### Baxter county Farm Bureau Scholarship Applications due April 17. (\$500 Scholarship)

Eligibility:

Parents or guardian must be a member of Baxter County Farm Bureau.

Student must reside in Baxter County.

Student must be a spring graduate of the year applying.

Student must have an agriculture background or be going into an agriculture-related field.



# *Scholarship info. cont.*

## **Baxter County Cattlemen's Association Scholarship Applications due April 18. (\$500 Scholarship)**

Scholarship Criteria: Must be a starting freshman in college, a Baxter County resident and planning a career in or related to the cattle industry. Selection is based upon academic achievement, character, career plans, leadership potential, and financial need. Preference may be given to children or grandchildren of ACA members. Scholarship must be used in the school year 2008-2009.

## **2008 JUNIOR CREATIVE ARTS EXHIBITOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Must be postmarked on or before June 20.

The Arkansas State Fair is pleased to continue the tradition of supporting our Junior Creative Arts Exhibitors with your education through the Creative Arts Exhibitor Scholarship Program. Each year the Arkansas State Fair offers **\$5,500** in scholarship funds to the young people who have successfully exhibited items in the Junior Creative Arts Department at the Agricultural Fairs of Arkansas and the Arkansas State Fair and Livestock Show.

We are proud of our Junior Exhibitors and hope that the life skills you have learned throughout your exhibition experiences help lead you to a fulfilling and successful future.

Please pay particular attention to the following information when completing the application process.

Changes made in 2008:

### Eligibility Requirement Changes:

- The minimum required grade point average (GPA) has changed from 3.0 to 2.5.
- The applicant is not required to declare a major leading to an undergraduate degree in Agriculture or Family & Consumer Science.

### Eligibility Requirements:

An Arkansas resident, male or female who has exhibited items in the Creative Arts Department at the Arkansas State Fair. The applicant must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 (on a 4 point system) and must provide verification of an ACT score of no less than 18 with application. Applicant must be enrolled, or will enroll for either the Fall 2008 or Spring 2009 semester in an appropriate college or university. Applicant should have and present evidence of leadership abilities and economic need. Applicant may not have been a previous recipient of any of the Arkansas State Fair Creative Arts Scholarships. Scholarships may be awarded to a graduating high school seniors enrolling in an appropriate college or university, or to an upperclassman. Once enrolled in college, the recipient must be a full-time student carrying 12 hours or more.

If you have any questions regarding this application, please contact the Creative Arts Office at 501-372-8341 or [deb@asfg.net](mailto:deb@asfg.net).