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Congratulations to everyone for doing so well at this year's county fair! A BIG thank you goes out to the many volunteers, 4-H Leaders, and parents for helping make this year such a success!

The 4-H Achievement Banquet is right around the corner, and tickets should be mailed out to qualifying individuals in the upcoming days. I encourage everyone to attend this year's event and support those who have excelled in 4-H this year. D & L Catering will be catering the event, and tickets can be purchased at the Extension office for \$10 each. Check the newsletter for further details.

Last, but not least, 2009 enrollment cards are available at the Extension office and are to be returned by November 1. You will be removed from the mailing list beginning December 1 if we do not have a current enrollment card on file.

Don't forget National 4-H Week! It's not too late to put together some great promotional ideas. If you or your club would like promotional items such as brochures, bookmarks, balloons, or other cool promotional items, please let me know ASAP, so I can get these put together for you.

Your 4-H Agent,

Leigh Helms

National 4-H Week

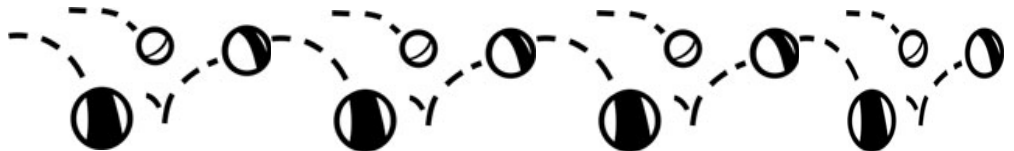


October 6-11, 2008

Win a Jump Zone Party!

Your club could win an action-packed time at
Jump Zone in Conway.

The club that turns in the highest percentage of enrollment or re-enrollment forms based on its 2007/2008 membership will win a party for their club! COMPLETED enrollment cards must be turned in to the Extension office by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, October 31, 2008 to be considered for the contest. Forms are available at the office, or can be picked up from your club leader.



County Fair Wrap-Up Meeting

There will be a wrap-up meeting concerning the Faulkner County Fair on Monday, October 27 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Natural Resource Center. This will be an opportunity for you to share your suggestions, concerns or comments in an effort to make the 2009 fair the best yet. Your input must be written on a 4x6 index card, or it will not be accepted. These cards will be shared with the appropriate committee during their upcoming planning meetings.



Congratulations County Fair Broiler Winners

**Grand Champion: Kassi N.
Reserve Champion: Travis C.**

“The Stars of Today, The Leaders of Tomorrow”

County 4-H Achievement Banquet

November 6, 2008 ~ Antioch Baptist Church Family Life Center
Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Banquet starts at 6:30 p.m.

In preparation for the program, the following are some points to remember:

Leader of the Year Applications due by October 15.

Slide Show Pictures are due by October 15.

Club Promotion reports are due by October 31.

County and State Honor Club Applications are due by October 31.

Tickets can be purchased before October 31 for \$10 each.

Free Banquet Ticket Eligibility

4-H Members who participated in at least three 4-H competitive activities during 2008 will be mailed a FREE banquet ticket. These should be mailed during the second week of October. If you have questions on eligibility, please call the office.

Please make welcome...

The Woodrow Cummins Elementary third and fourth grade in-school 4-H Clubs:

3rd and 4th grade Techno Lions

3rd and 4th grade Lions Heart

3rd and 4th grade Lead Lions

3rd and 4th grade Lions Go Green

These clubs meet each Friday during school, and are off to a great start!



2009 Kansas City 4-H Global Conference

Attention ALL 4-H'ers 15-19 years of age...

Do you ever think about the future? What are your plans after high school and college? Maybe nuclear pharmacy, international careers, NASA, or working with the Environmental Protection Agency? If you are looking for an opportunity to learn about careers, touch base with high-technology businesses, hear incredible motivational speakers, take part in awesome service learning opportunities, tours, recreation, and social mixers...

The Kansas City Global Conference IS FOR YOU!

The 2009 Conference is scheduled for March 18-21, 2009 in Kansas City, Mo. Applicants are required to fill out the CES-655 Youth Form (available at www.uaex.edu). Application deadline is November 1, 2008. Cost for the trip is TBA. For more information, contact the Extension office.



Arkansas 4-H Horseshow Results

Congratulations to the following Faulkner County 4-H Members for “riding high” at the 2008 Arkansas 4-H Horse Show held during July.

Jace W.

- 1st Junior Goat Tying
- 1st Junior Break-Away Roping

Taylor M.

- 3rd Junior Queen
- 8th Junior Goat Tying
- 8th Junior Youth Horsemanship
- 9th Junior Showmanship at Halter
- 9th Stock Mares
- 9th Stock Geldings

Mathew M.

- 7th Junior Flag Race
- 10th Stock Mares

Allison M.

- 1st Junior Youth Horsemanship
- 3rd Junior Western Pleasure

Kimberly L.

- 1st Senior Western Pleasure
- 1st Senior Youth Horsemanship

Stephanie K.

- 1st Senior Queen
- 2nd Senior Stake Race
- 3rd Senior Goat Tying
- 4th Senior Western Pleasure
- 4th Senior Flag Race
- 7th Senior Pole Bending



Did you know? An Arkansas 4-H Club...

- Is an organized group of a minimum of six youth
- Has a planned meeting calendar that meets a minimum of six times throughout all or most of the year
- Is advised by two volunteer leaders
- Elects officers
- May meet in any location
- Includes opportunities to learn skills through a variety of project explorations
- Offers opportunities for leadership and citizenship/community service



4-H Age Classifications...

Do you know how old YOU are?

There are three age classifications for 4-H members. Knowing your 4-H age category will help you determine which contest category you should be in...

- **Cloverbud 4-H Members** – 5-8 years old (as of January 1 of the current year)
- **Junior 4-H Members** – 9-13 years old (as of January 1 of the current year)
- **Senior 4-H Members** – 14-19 years old (as of January 1 of the current year)





The Leaders' Corner

PARENT and LEADERS' MEETING

Monday, October 20 at 7:00 p.m.
Tommy Lewis Conference Room

We will be wrapping up banquet plans and discussing a countywide community service activity. We also need to cover some club maintenance issues.

If you would like to suggest topics, please let me know so I can prepare the information.



Thank You!

A special thank you to Dorothy and Ratis Yeager and the Cloverleaf 4-H Club for creating such a unique backdrop for the county fair premium sale! The display looked great – it was used by lots of fair visitors as a backdrop for pictures!

4-H Adult Volunteer Application Forms

4-H Leaders and Volunteers are required to complete the following forms each year:

Adult Leader Volunteer Application (Form CES-643)

Behavioral Guidelines for 4-H Volunteers working with 4-H Youth (Form FY4-H-121)

These forms are available online or can be obtained at the Extension office.

Arkansas Fall Parent and Volunteer Forum

“Continuing the Tradition in the New Century”

November 7-8, 2008 at the C.A. Vines 4-H Center

Cost is \$50 per person.

Registration is due to the county office by October 10.

This fall's forum will be action-packed with educational workshops, fun activities, updates from the state 4-H office... and it will offer a great networking opportunity for parents and leaders. This is a chance to share ideas and learn some new tricks for your club.

Promotion Awards

Has your club completed a promotion month report? If your club would like to be considered for a county promotion award, applications must be received in the Extension office by October 24. This application is available online at:

www.uaex.edu/faulkner/4h

URGENT!!

Club financial reports are due to the Extension office **NO LATER** than October 15. If these are not turned in by this date, your club could lose its status as a recognized club. The forms are located in the treasurer's book or can be accessed online at www.uaex.edu/faulkner/4h.



Dates to Remember

October 1	4-H ENROLLMENT DUE
October 5-8	National 4-H Week
October 3-5	Arkansas 4-H Hike
October 15	Banquet pictures due to Extension office
October 15	Leader of the Year nominations
October 18	4-H Day at the Arkansas State Fair
November 1	End of Enrollment Card Contest
November 1	Kansas City Global Applications due
November 13	Journal Workshop
November 6	2008 4-H Achievement Banquet
January 9	4-H Journals due to county office

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, disability, or any other legally protected status. 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. The Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service is an Affirmative Action / Equal Opportunity Employer.