



# EHC Newsletter

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### Mission Statement

The mission of this organization shall be to empower individuals and families to improve their quality of living through continuing education, leadership development, and community service.

### County EHC Officers

- President  
**Marnette Reed**
- President-Elect  
**Eva Marie Pearson**
- Vice President  
**Judy Cox**
- Secretary  
**Nancy Rosen**
- Treasurer  
**Patsy Johnson**
- Parliamentarian  
**Paula Dailey**

### Committee Chairs

- Continuing Education  
**Frances Dilbeck**
- Leadership Development  
**Vetress Strong**
- Community Service  
**Peggie Barbaree**
- Reporter  
**Jo Ann Carr**
- Inspiration  
**Nancy Sumner**
- Historian/Scrapbook  
**Sarah Payton**
- Song Leader  
**Vi Daniels**

## State AEHC Meeting

### 14 Members Represent Jefferson County

“Share the Gift of EHC” was the theme for the annual AEHC State Meeting held at the Hot Springs Convention Center June 10 – 12. Fourteen excited Jefferson County EHC members participated in “How-to” classes, “Creative Skills” classes and “Subject-Matter” classes.

Opening Speaker, **Dr. Brad Davis, Executive Director, Arkansas 4-H Foundation**, stated, “We’re all in it for one thing—Youth Development!” He noted that 4-H is the largest youth organization in the USA and in Arkansas, with its 133,000 members.

Arkansas 4-H is celebrating **100 years** in 2008. Dr. Davis hopes to involve more kids in 4-H and said that 4-H can only be as good as its volunteers. More volunteers equals more kids. EHC has been a lifelong friend of 4-H, since many EHC’ers are former 4-H members. EHC helped to build the Ferndale 4-H Center, and Dr. Davis presented roses to several past directors as a “thank you.”

**Dr. Ivory Lyles, Associate Vice-President for Agriculture – Extension**, was the featured speaker during the Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, June 11. Dr. Lyles noted a long association with Extension Homemakers and that his own mother had been a homemaker in Mississippi.

Dr. Lyles emphasized the community service projects that clubs perform throughout the state, from the caps for Children’s Hospital, to cancer caps for UAMS, to many additional projects. Receiving project awards were: **Judy Cox**, chairman, Jefferson County EH Sprucing Up the Home Economics Building at the Southeast Arkansas District Fairgrounds, benefiting 17 counties; **Nancy Rosen**, president, Grace Willing Workers Recycling project; **Peggie Barbaree**, president, White Hall Willing Workers Knitting, Crocheting, or Sewing 166 caps for Arkansas Children’s Hospital.

**Marnette Reed**, county council president, served as voting delegate. Newly-elected state officers are: President, Joyce Hall, Mabelvale; President-Elect, Phyllis Pipkin, Royal; Vice-President, Kaye Green, Rison; Secretary, Denise Hickey, Clarksville; Treasurer, Barbara Boeh, London; Parliamentarian, Pauline Myrick, Star City. The former President was Elaine Stoll.

Delta District Director is Glenda Griffin, with **Jo Ann Carr**, Associate Director. Make plans now to join the fun in June 2009 during the State AEHC Meeting!



Attending AEHC were: Front row – Peggie Barbaree (White Hall Willing Workers), Judy Cox (County Service Project) , Nancy Rosen (Grace Willing Workers). Back row: Mary Ann Kizer, Beverly Gilcrest, Nancy Sumner, Marnette Reed, Mary Warner, Sarah Payton and Carolyn Harness.  
Missing from picture: Jo Ann Carr, Paula Dailey, Tori Dailey and Eva Marie Pearson

Creative Skills Classes that EHC'ers attended during the AEHC State Meeting, and hope to share with the county, include:

- Beaded Trivet
- Bling Ring
- Christmas Table Runner
- Fabric Painted Sweatshirt
- Felted Christmas Ornaments
- Jaunty Hats
- Ribbon Christmas Angel
- Stuff-It-Bag



Eva Marie Pearson and Jo Ann Carr listen attentively during the Table Scrapes class.



Cake Decorating Workshop participants, from left, Nancy McBryde, Georgia Hall, and Frances Dilbeck, practice their designs under the direction of Paula Dailey, Instructor. The class included 18 eager cake decorators.



## 4-H 100th Anniversary Gala in Little Rock

Tickets for the 4-H Anniversary “Gala of the Century,” to be held on Saturday, September 27, at the Peabody, are now on sale for \$150 each. This event will be a “Green Tie” event celebrating 100 years of 4-H in Arkansas.

Please call me at 534-1033, if you would like to attend.

### Fair Judging Time!

The following counties need Fair Judges:

- Lincoln ..... September 9
- Grant ..... September 16
- Cleveland ..... September 25

If you are interested in judging, please call me at 534-1033. Judges will be assigned by the counties in the order that their names are received.





The latest addition to my family is a new granddaughter, Landrie, born on June 3, 2008, weighing 9 pounds, and measuring 20 ½ inches long. Her parents are Patrick and Julie. Her big sister, Karlie, will be three on August 16.

Thanks to each of you who kept me in your thoughts and prayers during my recent surgery for breast cancer. I was already a 15-year survivor so the doctors really checked my mammograms closely. This time they caught it early, so I didn't have to take chemotherapy or radiation—just the surgery.

Please keep your mammogram appointment!

### **Knitathon to Benefit Children's Hospital**

Peggie Barbaree, Jefferson County EHC Community Service Chairman, has scheduled the second annual Knitathon on Friday, September 5, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., at the Jefferson County Extension Conference Room. Bring your knitting or crochet needles or your looms. Children's Hospital is asking for all sizes of caps, even larger sizes for the teens and parents.

Come join the fun and help Arkansas Children's Hospital patients stay warm!

### **Dates to Remember:**

August 8 – County Picnic Reservations Due

August 12 – County Picnic – BINGO!!!

Extension Conference Room

August 15 – Mountain View Deposits Due

September 5 - Knitathon

September 16 – Fair Superintendent's Meeting

September 29 – Pecan and Peanut Sales Begin!!

October 3 – Educational/Fellowship Tour

Hot Springs Arts and Crafts Fair

**Leader Trainings** – 9:30 a.m. Conference Room

August 26 – “Healthy Feet for Active Life”

September 30 – “Secondhand Smoke”

### **Everyday Positive Thinking:**

To keep progressing, you must learn, commit and do – learn, commit and do – and learn, commit and do – and do all over again.

- *Stephen R. Covey*



All meetings and activities announced in this newsletter are open to all interested persons regardless of 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.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Kizer  
County Extension Agent  
Family & Consumer Sciences



The  
Jefferson County Extension Homemakers Council  
Cordially invites you to the annual

# Summer Picnic with BINGO this year!!



Extension Conference Room  
500 Idaho Street, Pine Bluff, Arkansas

County Council is providing lunch.  
Each club is asked to bring a dessert.

Please call 534-1033  
by August 8, if you plan to attend.  
Please bring a BINGO prize.