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“Arkansas Is Our Campus”



Dear 4-H Family,

Things are starting to slow down a bit with fairs, cookie delivery, and Fall Family Outing all being over and done with and not a moment too soon with one 4-H year ending and a new one beginning. We are in the process of planning for the upcoming year. If you have any suggestions for programs or workshops, please feel free to contact me. I am always open to suggestions.

I would also like to take this time to thank everyone for an amazing year! Believe it or not I celebrated my year anniversary with Johnson County Extension on October 16. It has been a challenging and fun year being here in Johnson County and getting to know everyone. I have truly enjoyed this year and look forward to many more.

Your 4-H Agent,

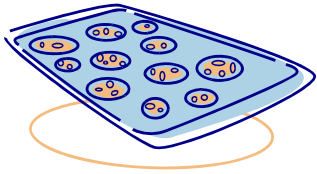


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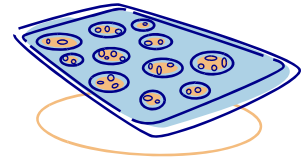


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All meetings and activities in this newsletter are open to all youth between the ages of 5 and 19 without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, gender, disability, or other legally protected status. Persons with disabilities who require 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.



Cookies, Cookies, Cookies



Thanks to all parents and members who baked and delivered cookies for our annual cookie delivery held on October 16, 2008. Everyone went above and beyond providing more than enough cookies for Johnson County 4-H supporters, and I really appreciate it! Parent volunteers, 4-H'ers, and staff members delivered cookies to approximately 70 donors.

The organizations and individuals who support the Johnson County 4-H Foundation make it possible for our members and leaders to attend camps and workshops at one-half of the total program cost and to receive awards and project materials. When you see a supporter in the community, be sure to thank him or her personally.

Rabbit Club Changes

Attention: The Lucky Foot Rabbit Club meeting date and time are changing. Now the Rabbit Club will meet the third Tuesday of every month at 5:30 p.m. They will still meet at the Marvin Vinson Center. The next meeting will be **5:30 p.m., November 18, 2008, at the Marvin Vinson Center.** If you have any questions or need additional information call Lisa Nubbie.

4-H Re-Enrollment

Congratulations to Livestock Club! You were the first club to return 100 percent of your members. Livestock Club members and leaders, be thinking of what you want to do for your reward.

Reminder: Clubs that haven't turned in their enrollment forms need to do so as soon as possible.

Pictures for Slide Show



4-H families: We need pictures for the upcoming County Achievement Banquet slideshow. If you have pictures of community service, project work, leadership, or other 4H activities, please bring them to the county Extension office by **Friday, December 5.** Make sure the picture is labeled with the 4-H'ers name and the activity.

Leaders' Meeting

Reminder: Thursday, November 6 there will be a Leaders' Meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension office conference room. All leaders are invited to attend; however, it is important that at least one leader from each club attend. We will be preparing for the new year and discussing upcoming events.

Journals

With the past 4-H year coming to an end, it is now time to think about every 4-H'ers favorite reflection of past project work... the 4-H Journal. The Arkansas 4-H Journal is one place to show others what you have done in your 4-H career. Completing the journal is much like completing a portfolio. Through your journal, you show your accomplishments and how you have developed responsibility by keeping records. Throughout your 4-H career, you will find your journal useful in evaluating past achievements and making improvements in future plans.

As in years past we will be having a "first timers" journal workshop for those who have never completed a journal before. The workshop will be held at **6:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 11 at the Extension office.** If you have prepared a journal before but still need help to prepare your current book, contact the Extension office 754-2240, and we will set up an appointment to work with you. As far as I can tell this year's forms are the same as last year's. The forms are available in PDF format on the University of Arkansas Extension website. I have Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced in Word format so you can save it. I will make a disk with the Word forms, and they will be available upon request. If you have any journal questions feel free to call, come by, or e-mail. **Reminder:** Journals are due in the Extension office **Friday, January 2, 2008.**

Centennial Balloon Release



In honor of Arkansas 4-H Centennial coming to an end, we released 100 green and white balloons Tuesday, October 21 at Fall Family Outing. I know I am curious about where our balloons will end up and will keep you posted on their whereabouts as I hear of them. Thanks to everyone who helped make this event a success.

Veterans Parade

The American Legion Post 22 of Clarksville will be hosting the annual Veterans Day activities on **Saturday, November 8**. The day will begin with an 11:00 a.m. parade through Clarksville and conclude with activities at American Legion.

If you or your club would like to take part in the parade, Johnson County 4-H already has a spot reserved. All you need to do is meet at **10:30 a.m.** on Cline Road on **Saturday, November 8**, wear green clothing, comfortable shoes and look for the rest of the 4-H'ers.

This is a great community service opportunity to promote 4-H and honor our nation's heroes. If you have any questions call the Extension office at 754-2240.



Super Star Awards



The 2008 County Super Star award forms are due in the county Extension office by **Friday, December 5, 2008**. The forms are currently available for leaders to pick up from the county Extension office at their convenience or can be picked up at the Leaders' Meeting. The forms should be turned in to your club leader for approval before they are sent to the county Extension office.

Be sure to complete the bottom of the form with the award you are requesting. Social Security numbers and beneficiaries are required for savings bond awards. While becoming a Johnson County superstar is an accomplishment for all 4-H members whether just starting or ending their 4-H career, it holds more value to our Senior members because qualifying for superstar two of the last three years means they will be eligible for a scholarship.

For more information on 2008 Johnson County Superstar or Scholarship program call, the county Extension office at 754-2240.

Manners Workshop

With the Annual 4-H Achievement Banquet right around the corner, there will be a Manners Workshop held at the Extension office on **Thursday, December 11, 2008, at the 6:00 p.m.** Please call and register by **Friday, December 5**. Do not let this opportunity to brush up your table manners pass you by.

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DATES TO NOTE:



- 5-11 National 4-H Week
- 10 Deadline for Parent/Leader Forum
- 16 Cookie Delivery
- 18 4-H Day AR State Fair
- 21 Fall Family Outing
- 24 Deadline for Poster Contest
- 29 Deadline for Kansas City Global
- 31 Deadline for T-shirt Contest



- 6 Leaders' Meeting
- 7-8 Parent/Leader Forum
- 8 Veterans Day Parade
- 11 "First Timers" Journal Workshop
- 28-2 Nat'l 4-H Congress



- 5 Superstar Award
- 5 Deadline for slideshow pictures
- 11 Manners Workshop



- 2 Journals Due