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Competition

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The Clover Leaf

4-H County Council Meeting

Logan County 4-H Council met on December 11, 2007, at the Magazine Community Center. The meeting was well attended, with 38 youth members and 19 adult volunteers present. During the business meeting, the delegates voted unanimously to appoint Tate Hammonds to become the first Logan County 4-H recreation leader. As recreation leader, Tate will organize and help run games and activities at the County Council meetings. In other business, the delegates voted in favor of the by-laws, and picked the top three designs for the Centennial T-shirt. The T-shirt will be available county wide, after the design is finalized. Following the business meeting, the 4-H members joined together to stack the cans—the 4-H clubs were challenged to collect 100 cans in honor of the Centennial Celebration—into a pyramid type shape, exemplifying leadership, teamwork, and community service. Four hundred cans were collected and distributed to three food pantries to help the Logan County families in need. The meeting ended with a pizza party and a gag gift game. The 4-H members exchanged gifts in a “Dirty Santa” format.

The next County Council meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on February 12 in the Booneville Courthouse. These meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every other month. Everyone is welcome to attend and each club should have two delegates present.

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make the 4-H food drive such a success!



Poultry Chain Orders

It is time to order chickens for the 2008 4-H Poultry Chain!
Only Bovan Browns (no White Leghorns) will be available.

There will be no charge for the birds. However, three birds **MUST** be brought to the fair for auction. Proceeds from the auction pay for the purchase of the birds. Another change for this year is that feed will not be provided. Please place your order by calling your 4-H leader or the Extension office **NO LATER THAN 4:30 p.m. Friday, February 8.**



Wildlife Habitat Workshop

There will be a Wildlife Habitat Workshop at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, February 1, at the Booneville Alternative High School in the old Superintendent's office. Open to anyone, this will be an excellent opportunity to learn more about this exciting program. If you are interested in identifying wildlife species, foods, habitats, or learning to develop a rural or urban wildlife management plan, **be sure to attend this workshop.** There will be a treasure trunk loaded with animal tracks to ID, wildlife information presented by 4-H'ers and lots of fun for everyone. More details on practice sessions and date of contest will be given at the workshop.



4-H Calendars Are Ready



The 2008 Logan County 4-H Calendars are ready and will be distributed to club leaders. Please post for easy reference for county and state 4-H event dates in 2008.

Entrepreneur Camp

Who: 9–12 year olds (4-H and non 4-H)
Cost: Only \$20 (fee covers lodging, meals, supplies)
Due January 18
When: February 15–17, 2008
7:00 p.m. Friday through 1:00 p.m. Sunday
Where: C. A. Vines Arkansas 4-H Center
Ferndale, Little Rock, AR
What: Learn about starting and running a business using the Entre-WHAT? Curriculum
Why: To help students learn about business, money, financial management, meet new friends/have fun, to educate non 4-Hers about what 4-H can offer

Call the Extension office for more information and applications.

2008 4-H High Adventure Program & Trip

For the first time, Arkansas 4-H and Kansas 4-H will be teaming together to conduct a joint 4-H

High Adventure Program and Trip. Crews made up of 4-H youth and volunteers from each state will have the opportunity to experience this challenging program together. This will be the 22nd year for Arkansas 4-H and the 12th year that Kansas 4-H has provided a 4-H High Adventure Program. The program is open to youth who are 13 years of age by January 1, 2008, and adults 21 years of age or older (lead adult advisor must be 25). The deadline for applications is January 25, 2008. Applications are accepted on a first-come-first-serve basis. For application or more information, please contact the Extension office.

*4-H Journals...
preparing for the future through
planning today...*

**Reminder: 4-H Journals are due
January 22.**

Citizenship Washington Focus

Arkansas 4-H is preparing to participate in the 44th session of the Citizenship Washington Focus July 5 – 12, 2008. CWF is a six-day, intensive summer citizenship program for youth ages 15–19. Due dates are January 25, 2008—completed application and \$400 deposit due to state office; February 25, 2008—\$475 final payment due. For additional information, please call the Extension office.

Revised 4-H O'Rama Bicycle Event

Improvements were made to match the National event, current bicycle curriculum, and state laws. The rules state that a rider must be seated while riding (BMX bikes with 20" wheels may not pass safety inspection guidelines). All inspection guidelines must be followed, in particular, there must be a helmet and front/rear reflectors. **In this event, riders can be deducted up to 500 points if they: fail to follow instructions, ride (not walk the bike between courses), fail to wear their helmet, perform other unsafe activities such as riding on sidewalks, tricks, racing, etc.** Contact the Extension office for more information on test given and scoring.



4-H Scholarships and Journal Scholarships

All 4-H Scholarship applications are due in the Extension office by January 28. For more information or a copy of the updated scholarship form, call the Extension office.

2008 Arkansas Beef Ambassador Competition

The 2008 Arkansas Beef Ambassador Competition, sponsored by the Arkansas Cattle Women Association and the Arkansas Beef Council, will be held Saturday, March 1, at the Arkansas Cattlemen's Association building in Little Rock. Breakfast and orientation will begin at 8 a.m. Deadline for entries is January 25.



Any youth between the ages of 9 and 19 is eligible to enter. There are three divisions: YOUTH Division for ages 9–12; JUNIOR Division for ages 13–16; and SENIOR Division for ages 17–20 (must be 17 by January 1, 2008, but not over 20 by October 1, 2008.) Three awards will be given in each division: 1st—\$150.00, 2nd—\$100.00, 3rd—\$75.00. The first place winner of the SENIOR division will be awarded a \$1500 scholarship from the Arkansas CattleWomen's Foundation and will also represent Arkansas at the National Beef Ambassador Competition to be held in the fall of 2008. For rules or more information, contact either Extension office.

2008 4-H Bee Keeping Essay Contest



The topic for this year's essay is: "The Results of Honey Bee Pollination in My Community". Essays are due to the Extension office by Friday, February 8. The contest is open to active 4-H Club

members only. Essays will be judged on (a) scope of research – 40%; (b) accuracy – 30%, (c) creativity – 10%, (d) conciseness – 10%; and (e) logical development of the topic – 10%. For more information, contact the Extension office.

Youth Livestock Judging Activity

The Ozark Cattlemen's Association, PLR Farms, and friends are sponsoring a Youth Livestock Judging Activity at the Pauline Whitaker Animal Science Arena in Fayetteville on Saturday, January 26, 2008, with registration beginning at 7:30 a.m. There will be a 4-H Livestock Skills contest, a class of Feeder Cattle Grading for FFA, and a special contest for beginner judges. Lunch will be provided, special awards will be given and each contestant will receive a shirt. The contestants will be evaluating classes of beef cattle, sheep, and swine. Team participation is encouraged as well as individual. Registration of teams/individuals is due by 3:30 p.m. on January 22. **IT IS FREE!** Call the Extension office for more information.

Cookies for Contributors

A special time in Logan County is quickly approaching. The week of February 11–15 is the week to deliver "Cookies for Contributors"! We have a list for each club with an assignment of contributors. The delivery lists and cards will be mailed or hand delivered to the leaders for distribution. Please make an extra effort to present 4-H well to our contributors. They are very important to the Logan County 4-H Program.



ExCEL

Low/High Ropes Course

Logan County 4-H members will have the opportunity to participate in the ExCEL program at the C.A. Vines 4-H Center at Ferndale on Saturday, May 17. This exciting low/high ropes course teaches communication, problem solving, listening, crisis management, and helps develop self-esteem. ExCEL is designed to challenge the individual while working with a group for support and encouragement. Participants must currently be an 8th grader or above (no exceptions). More details to come.

Invitation to Activities

All of the activities mentioned in the newsletter are open to all eligible persons regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, gender, age, disability, marital or veteran status, 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 AR Cooperative Extension Service is an Affirmative Action / Equal Opportunity Employer.