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Happy Spring! I know the rain has been heavy and it has been cloudy a lot lately, but this summer we will be glad we had some extra rain early.

You only have a few more weeks of school left. That means that summer camps will be starting soon! We always have so much fun at camps. Don't forget that we are offering lots of workshops during the summer months that you can come and enjoy. If you are new to Saline County 4-H, just show up at a workshop and we will welcome you with open arms!



PALS

There is a Parent and Leader Meeting (PALS) at 6:30 p.m. at the fairgrounds on Tuesday, May 27, 2008. Any parent or leader involved in our 4-H program is urged to attend.

Teen Leader Meeting

The next Teen Leader Meeting is at 6:30 pm. at the fairgrounds on Tuesday, May 27, 2008. If you are 12-19 and would like to come have a fun time with good friends while learning and serving your community, please come!

ETIQUETTE CLASS

Do you want to know which fork to use for what food? How to introduce yourself to someone? If so, please sign up for 2 upcoming etiquette classes to be held at the EHC kitchen on Saturday, May 3rd from 9-2. You must be ages 13-19 to participate. After you learn how to be a lady or a gentleman, you will be treated to a fancy dinner at the Peabody Hotel in Little Rock at a later date! Hurry, space is limited! Call Penny Hammond to sign up today at 316-1533.

Talks and Talent

Don't forget that if you want to give a speech, model in fashion revue or compete in the talent contest, it's on **May 17 from 1-3 p.m.** at Birchtree Auditorium. On the access road before you get to the fairgrounds, turn between the BP station and Holland Chapel Baptist Church on Airplane Drive. Go nine tenths of a mile, you will come to a sharp left curve – follow this around and you will be on Mary Kaye Blvd. You will see the building on the left about one-tenth of a mile down. Come to the office for help on speech writing or poster making. We have supplies here to help you!

Pigs for the Fair

If you want to show a pig at the county fair in September, it's time to place your order. Please call Ron at the office at 303-5672 for details. *1/29/97*

County-wide Community Service Projects

Connie Lewis has graciously volunteered to be our Community Service Coordinator to allow all 4-H members access to worthy projects! Thank you Connie! Below are some projects that Connie has found:



1. They need help to clean up after the shows. You get to watch the show free. Working on any play is counted also. For more information call Shannon Moss at 315-live (5483). You can work one night or more in the clean up area.
2. Grace Meadows - Horse Ranch that provides lessons to kids with disabilities. They welcome anyone to come out the first and third Saturday of each month. You will be working with other kids that are doing community service as well. This is a great opportunity to introduce others to 4-H! You will be helping Grace Meadow clean out the water troughs, feed animals, condition tack etc.... Mothers, Fathers or sponsors must stay with your children. (NO DROP-OFFS!) Call Mr. Flowers at 920-1901 for more details.
3. We have an opportunity to work with Habitat for Humanity on their Building Blitz doing landscaping work! If you would like to work on June 6 laying sod, planting shrubs, and helping any way we can, please call me to sign up. You must be 14 or over to do this.

NEW!

Summer Camp Vacancies

There are still openings in the following camps that are held at the 4-H Center. If you have more youth interested in attending camp, please call or e-mail us and we'll get them pre-registered. \$25/person NON-REFUNDABLE deposit will be required with pre-registration.

Junior Camp II - July 14-16

Ages 9-12 (4th-7th grade for 2008-2009)

Cloverbud Camp - July 17-18

Ages 5-9 (Kindergarten-3rd grade for 2008-2009)

Must bring an adult, 21 or older, with them.



Ross Photo Contest

It's time for the Ross Foundation 4-H Photography Contest. All 4-H members age 9-19 are eligible.

You may enter two color photographs (one must be in the living category and one must be in the non-living category, if two are entered) and two black-and-white photographs (one must be in the living category and one must be in the non-living category, if two are entered). Four county winners are selected, one in each category. **These are due May 23, 2008.**

Photographs entered in the Ross Foundation 4-H Photography Contest MUST be of scenes or subjects in Arkansas. The pictures must have been taken during the current contest year. Photos MUST NOT be mounted or framed.

The following information MUST be included with the photo: 4-H member's name, county, category entered, date taken and where the photo was taken. This information should be typed or printed on a slip of paper and taped to the back of the photo. Do not pin, staple or clip this information to the photo.

Digital cameras are allowed. You should set the camera for highest resolution. For judging, we need an 8" X 10" picture on photo quality paper. You may change a color image into black and white. A CD-R disk containing the jpeg photo must be submitted.

If you use a film camera, you may shoot in color but have the processor print photos in black and white for contest submission.

Advantix cameras are allowed, but you must submit the film canister with the photo.

Don't be afraid to enter this contest – you might just win!

The publication "Arkansas Ross Foundation 4-H Photography Exhibit" gives details regarding this event. It is available on our county 4-H Website at <http://www.uaex.edu/saline/4H>



Teen Star Servers Needed

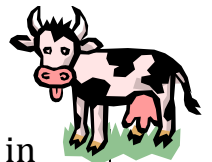
Each year the State 4-H Officers and Ambassadors request that 4-H'ers between the ages of 12 and 14 volunteer to assist with the annual Teen Star / Hall of Fame Banquet. They are in need of 25 4-H'ers that could help as servers on Wednesday, June 11, 2008. The volunteers would need to be at the 4-H Center by 4:00 pm and would finish by 9:00 pm. The meal for the servers is provided. The registration deadline is **May 14, 2008**.

Dairy Camp – Bentonville – June 12 & 13

The objectives of the camp are as follows:

1. To increase the knowledge of youth about the care and management of dairy animals.
2. To develop an awareness of the ethical issues in care of dairy animals.
3. To increase the awareness and importance of the dairy industry.
4. To increase knowledge of fitting and showing of dairy cattle among youth.

The registration cost is \$25 plus you will be responsible for lodging at a discounted rate at the Days Inn in Bentonville (\$48.00). If you are interested in learning more about caring for dairy animals, this is the camp for you. **May 26th** is the deadline to register. Call Angie for the agenda and details.



Calendar of Events

May 3 – Etiquette Class
May 14 – Teen Star Banquet server deadline
May 17 – Talks and Talent
May 23 – Ross Photo Deadline
May 26 – Deadline for Dairy Camp
May 27 – PALS and Teen Leader Meeting
June 6 – Habitat Community Service Opportunity

If you have Cloverbuds (4-H'ers ages 5-8) make sure to jot down July 1 & 2nd on your calendar. This is our 3rd annual Cloverbud Camp at Tyndall Park. It is always loads of fun and they learn a lot too!

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.

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