



## THE CLOVER NETWORK Washington County 4-H Newsletter

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### Forestry and Wildlife Camp

Arkansas 4-H Forestry and Wildlife Camp offers Junior 4-H members (ages 10-13 by January 1, 2008) a unique outdoor educational experience at the C. A. Vines Arkansas 4-H Center. The camp enhances project work related to forestry, fisheries, wildlife, water, general ecology and natural resource conservation.

This four day camp is June 23-26. Your cost is \$75 (with 4-H Foundation paying half), and applications are due in the Extension Office by June 10 (extended deadline).

### State Fair Animals

Note the following due dates and fees for market animal nominations for the Arkansas State Fair. Market hogs due by June 17<sup>th</sup>, fee is \$15. Market lambs due by July 1st, fee is \$15. Market goats due by July 1st, fee is \$15.

### Food Preservation Workshop

Learn the art of food preservation. We will be making fruit spreads, zucchini (pickles and dehydration), canning vegetables (green beans and carrots) and fair judging.

The workshop will be June 17, 19, and 20 from 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday, and on Friday as soon as fair judging and cleanup is finished we will eat and dismiss. We will have a potluck lunch each day with each family asked to bring a dish. This workshop is for youth eight years and older.

Registration fee of \$15 is to be paid when you register at the Extension office by June 9. The class

is limited to 20. Each family is to bring one case of pints the first day of the workshop.

If you have any questions, please contact Annette Coor at 444-1755 or Mary Loftus at 521-2258.

### Survivor Camp

It's back! Survivor Camp will be June 24-25 at PWASC. Registration will be from noon-1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 24. Please stop at the Extension office by June 12 to sign up. The cost is \$10 per person. We need to know the names, t-shirt sizes, and if you have a tent or need to share one. Campers under 9 years of age must bring an adult with them to spend the night. Extra adults are also welcome. Bring a good attitude and see if you can survive.

Parents are invited to the camp final events on Wednesday, June 25, at 5:00 p.m. and pick up your campers.

### District and State Broilers

District – broilers will be available for the AR/OK State Fair for Junior and Senior 4-H members. Each batch is 25 chicks and will arrive on August 7. There is no charge for the chicks, and feed will not be furnished. Register by June 24.

State - broilers will be available for the Arkansas State Fair. Each batch of 30 pullet chicks is \$15 and will arrive August 26. Register by August 7 and make check payable to: Agriculture Development Council.

## Bug Workshop

Have you been wanting to begin an entomology collection but don't know how to start? Go to Chris and Virginia Raible's home on Sunday, June 8, 2:00 p.m., and they will help. You will need to take collecting jars.

Please call the Raibles at 848-3764 to let them know you would like to attend and for directions.

## 4-H Parent & Leader Association

Marquita Den Herder, president, has called a **meeting** for Thursday, **June 5**, 6:30 p.m. at the Extension office.

Please plan to attend as there are important items on the agenda that need your input.

## Rabbit Cage Workshop

Virginia Raible is offering a workshop to make rabbit cages on Saturday, June 21, 3:00 p.m. at her home. Please bring a dish for potluck.

Call Virginia, 848-3764, for a supply list.

## Cake Decorating Fun

For those special parties and for "FAIR ENTRIES," come learn cake decorating. These classes will be taught using the Wilton method. The materials required are a Course I kit and a Course I book. The kit is \$24.99, and the book is \$4.49. These can be purchased at Hobby Lobby. You can print coupons off the computer for 40% off at Hobby Lobby.

The classes will be from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for 9 to 12 year olds, and classes are 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. for ages 13 to 19. The dates are June 27, July 3, July 22 and July 29, 2008.

We need at least 5 and no more than 15 per class. Registration is due by June 19.

## Cheese Making Workshop

A Cheese Workshop will be offered Saturday, July 12, at the Extension office from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. We will be making yogurt, keifer, cottage cheese, soft and semi-soft cheeses. Learn the easy ways to use that wonderful milk that your animals bless you with.

Included in the class: Instructions in food safety and the importance of proper milk handling, equipment and tools necessary, starters- different types, different methods of cheese making, resources for info and supplies and trouble-shooting problems.

If you have milk and want to make an "instant cheese," you are free to bring your milk to the workshop.

Please sign up at the Extension office by July 1 as we need to purchase supplies for the workshop. Cost: \$5 per individual or \$10 per family. Please bring a dish for the potluck lunch.

## Sewing Fun

Come have fun at our Sewing Workshops put on by 4-H and the Master Clothing volunteers.

Advanced Sewing Workshop - July 16, 17 and 18. Participants need some sewing skills. This class will be making a chef's apron, crazy patch pillow, and a tater baker. Registration is due by July 7.

Beginning Sewing Workshop - July 30, 31 and August 1 - very basic. The beginning workshop will be making a pillow case, a tote bag, and a tater baker. Registration due by July 21.

Must be at least seven years old. These workshops will be held from 9:00 a.m. to noon each day at the Extension office. Cost is \$5 due at registration plus supplies. Each workshop is limited to ten.

## Washington County Fair Reminders

**Fair Books** are now available.

**Table Setting:** Junior and Pee Wee exhibits may be placed by individuals or a group. Exhibits will be set up Saturday, August 23. A \$5 fee is required and will be returned when the entry is removed or forfeited if entry is not set up. Participation is limited – register at the Extension office.

**Educational Club Exhibits:** This division is open on a first come, first served basis to 4-H clubs, FFA and FHA groups (one per school). Booths will be set up Saturday, August 23. Reserve your space at the Extension office with a \$5 check, payable to: Washington County Fair Association.

**Broiler and Turkey Chain Participants:** Please pick up your birds Saturday night, August 30, at 10:00 p.m.

**Farm Bureau – Sew with Cotton:** The Farm Bureau Sew with Cotton class is for 100% cotton fabric garments with thread and trim of cotton or cotton blend. Bring a swatch of fabric from the garment entered in the Sew with Cotton contest at the Washington County Fair. Different winners may be selected in each contest category: Cotton Suit, Cotton Dress and Cotton Sportswear. If you win, Washington County Farm Bureau will sponsor your trip to the state competition at Little Rock in early December.

## Poultry Blood Testing

Once again it's time to get ready for the upcoming fair. All poultry must be tested for Pullorum-Typhoid before they will be allowed on the fairgrounds. If the only poultry on your property are this year's chain birds (and they received all vaccinations) they do not need to be tested. There is a charge of \$1.10 per bird to help cover expenses.

Clinics will be held:

August 1, West Fork School, 6:30 p.m.

August 8, Farmington School, 6:30 p.m.

August 15, Elkins Elementary, 6:30 p.m.

Call Ashley Kyle at 643-3742, Barbara Lewis or Amanda Cox (between 5:00 -7:00 p.m.) at 443-5510 or Nancy Hill at 841-7148, for more information.

## Arkansas State Fair Scholarships

The Arkansas State Fair is pleased to continue the tradition of supporting the Junior Livestock Exhibitors with their education through the Livestock Exhibitor Scholarship Program.

Scholarship information and application are available at [www.arkansasstatefair.com](http://www.arkansasstatefair.com) or in the Extension office. Applications are due by June 20.

## Forrest Grams Memorial Scholarship Recipient Named

As most of you remember, the Elkins 4-H Club recently lost a very special member. Forrest Grams, who passed away last summer in a dirt bike accident, was an active 4-H member and wonderful friend, and he remains very dear to our hearts. In lieu of flowers, Forrest's family requests that memorials be made to the "**Forrest Grams Memorial Scholarship Fund for the Elkins 4-H Club.**"

Thanks to the many contributions already given by various friends and organizations, the Elkins 4-H Club was able to present our first scholarship this year. Three club members applied for the scholarship: Kara Marley, Josh Melcher and Timothy Melcher.

The \$500 scholarship for 2008 was awarded to Tim M.. Tim has been an active 4-H'er since he was very young. He has shown various livestock and participated in many community service projects over the years. Tim is enrolled in college at UCA in Conway, AR. His future career goal is to be an operating room nurse.

We would like to wish all three of our graduating 4-H'ers all the best as they set out to achieve their future careers. We are proud of you! We also would like to extend our love and deep appreciation to the Forrest Grams family for their continuing support of the 4-H and FFA programs.

Anyone interested in making contributions to the Forrest Grams Memorial Scholarship Fund may continue to do so at the First Federal Bank. ~The Elkins 4-H Club

## **County E-mail List**

If you would like to be included on the county list serve to receive e-mails about upcoming events between newsletters, please e-mail Johnny at [jgunsaulis@uaex.edu](mailto:jgunsaulis@uaex.edu).

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 or disability. 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