

# 4-H Notes & Quotes

## Arkansas County 4-H Newsletter

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Dear 4-H'ers:

Our 4-H year blasted off to a good start with 4-H promotion month activities in October which included the 4-H County Convention, 4-H Hamburger Supper, 4-H Appreciation Coffee, Tractor Supply 4-H Paper Clover Campaign and the Harvest Festival. All of this brought us to November and a time to be thankful for our volunteers, parents and youth that make Arkansas County 4-H so great!

#### 4-H MOTTO:

"To make the best better"

#### DATES TO REMEMBER:

4-H Choir  
December 11

4-H Record Books  
January 16

4-H Method Demonstration  
January 22

Share The Fun/  
Fashion Revue  
February 26

4-H Banquet  
March 12

#### 4-H RECORD BOOKS

Record keeping and completing a record book describing work in a member's project is an important part of 4-H. Completing a record book each year is much like a portfolio and is the conclusion of project work for the year. The purpose of 4-H record keeping is to report project goals and how they are completed; report what is learned and life skills developed; and report participation, community service and leadership. While it is not an easy process, the benefits are many. Numerous awards are available for just turning in a completed record book. These awards include attending the 4-H Achievement Banquet, jackets, t-shirts, pins, camp scholarships and other awards. Record books are due in the County Extension Office on Tuesday, January 16, 2017. More information is available at the County Extension Office or on our website at: <https://www.uaex.edu/4h-youth/resource-library/project-books.aspx>.



#### 4-H ONLINE ENROLLMENT

All 4-H members and leaders should complete the annual 4-H membership re-enrollment for the 2017-18 4-H year at: <https://arkansas.4honline.com>. 4-H online enrollment is required to participate in county activities. Computer access is available at the Extension Office. Please be sure that you have completed your enrollment for this year. For more information, call the Extension Office.

#### 4-H CHOIR



If you are a 4-H member that likes to sing and have fun, this is your chance to participate in the 4-H Choir. 4-H members will meet on Monday afternoon, December 11 at 3:30 p.m. at the Extension Office in DeWitt. Following refreshments and practice, plans are to sing Christmas Carols for Crestpark Nursing Home at 4:30 p.m. Please call the Extension Office to pre-register by Monday, December 4.

#### 4-H METHOD DEMONSTRATION

The 4-H Method Demonstration/Illustrated Talk Activity is scheduled for Monday, January 22 at the Rice Research & Extension Center. Registration will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the competition beginning at 6:00 p.m. Presentations for juniors will be 2-5 minutes in length, and for seniors the time limit is 5-8 minutes. The following are categories for competition: Animal Science, Citizenship, Consumer Education, Entomology, Environmental Stewardship, Food Fair, Health, Horse, Human Development, Public Speaking, Safety, Innovative Technology and Veterinary Science. More information is available at: <http://www.uaex.edu/4h-youth/resource-library/applications.aspx#districtevents>. If you have questions, please contact the Extension Office.

Visit our website at: <https://uaex.edu/counties/arkansas>

#### ARKANSAS COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL OFFICERS

**Jr. 4-H Council Officers**  
Autumn, President  
Hailey, Vice President  
Sarah, Secretary  
Jaylen, Treasurer  
Chloe-Belle, Reporter

**Sr. 4-H Council Officers**  
Emily, President  
Rob, Vice President  
Will, Secretary  
Chloe, Treasurer  
Mary-Claire, Reporter

**Adult 4-H Council Officers**  
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Heather, Secretary  
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## 4-H COUNTY CONVENTION

Arkansas County 4-H members and leaders met at the Arkansas County Courthouse in DeWitt on October 23 for the annual 4-H County Convention.

The program opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Chloe and the 4-H Pledge led by Sarah. Roll Call was given by Connor. Mary-Claire gave the program on "4-H High Adventure". Sr. candidates were introduced by Rob and Jr. candidates were introduced by Will. 4-H members campaigned, gave speeches and went to the polls to elect a new slate of 4-H Council Officers.

2017 officers were elected. Jr. 4-H Council Officers: Autumn, President; Hailey, Vice President; Sarah, Secretary; Jaylen, Treasurer; and Chloe-Belle, Reporter. Sr. 4-H Council Officers: Emily, President; Rob, Vice President; Will, Secretary; Chloe, Treasurer; and Mary-Claire, Reporter.

To conclude the evening Phil Horton, CEA-Agriculture gave the Installation Ceremony and presented the new County 4-H Officers.

## 4-H APPRECIATION COFFEE

The Annual 4-H Appreciation Coffee for all those who support 4-H was held October 12 at the Arkansas County Courthouse in DeWitt. Judge Eddie Best signed the 4-H Proclamation during the Quorum Court meeting. Special thanks to everyone who supports Arkansas County 4-H!



## 4-H HAMBURGER SUPPER

Arkansas County celebrated the 4-H community of young people who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills on October 14. 4-H members and leaders held a drive-by Hamburger Supper promoting 4-H at the Arkansas County fairgrounds. Special thanks to everyone who assisted with this event!



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## 4-H PROJECTS

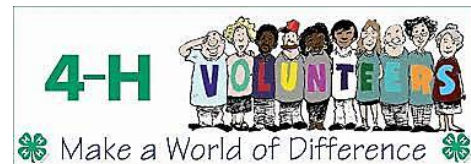
4-H is a fun program where you "Learn by Doing." Project work can help you determine your interests and develop knowledge and skills in the areas in which you are most interested. It's not like school – in 4-H you get to choose what you want to study. Please call the Extension Office to request a project book. *4-H members who turn in their completed project book will receive an invitation to the 4-H Celebration Party for those completing project books.*

## VOLUNTEER TRAINING E-FORUMS

Three volunteer training e-forums will be offered free by the National 4-H Council. Trainings are available to county agents, program assistants, and 4-H volunteer leaders. These trainings can be accessed online using [www.4-h.org/volunteerprofessionals](http://www.4-h.org/volunteerprofessionals).

The times will be 6:00-7:30 p.m. Central Time, and the trainings will be held:

**December 7:** Helping 4-H'ers Grow in Life and Work



## VOLUNTEER LEADERS CONFERENCE

The 2018 Arkansas Volunteers Leader Conference will be held February 23-24, 2018 at the Arkansas 4-H Center. The pre-conference begins Friday with the main conference on Saturday. Cost is: \$50 single day and \$85 both. Special guest will be Rex Nelson, Columnist & Sr. Editor, Arkansas Democrat Gazette. Conference topics include outdoor activities, event preparation, service learning, working with children with different abilities and many more! Registration is open in 4-H Online. Contact the Extension Office for more information.

## 4-H EVENTS

The following is a quick reference for upcoming 4-H state camps and events. For more information contact the Arkansas County Extension Office.



- *Arkansas 4-H Foundation scholarships may be available in 4-H online to assist 4-H members who have financial need to attend camp at the C.A. Vines Arkansas 4-H Center. For more information call the Extension Office.*
- *Remember Arkansas County 4-H Camp Scholarships are available for those qualifying. The County 4-H Foundation will pay 75% of the expenses for one camp per year. Call the Extension Office for more information.*

## Arkansas 4-H

### Camps offer

camping and training opportunities for 4-H

youth 5-19 years old and adults. For more information contact the Extension Office or visit our website at: <https://www.uaex.edu/4h-youth/activities-programs/camps>



#### December Due Dates:

- 9 National 4-H Conference Applications
- 30 CWF Delegate Registration

#### January Due Dates:

- 3 Early Camp Scholarship Deadline
- 3 Entrepreneur/Career Camp
- 3 Wildlife Field Day
- 24 State Beef Quiz Bowl Registration

### 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus: Arkansas

4-H will once again send a delegation to Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF). The dates for the 2018 CWF program in Washington, DC are July 7-14. Delegates will learn about the democratic process and their role as citizens while they experience our nation's capital. They will get the inside scoop about how government really works from prominent guest speakers. In addition, they will participate in bill writing workshops, a national issues forum, mock elections, and congressional sessions. Applicants must be 14 years of age by January 1, 2018. Two Extension Staff and two adult volunteers will serve as chaperones. All applications are due in the County Extension Office by December 30, 2017. Complete payment is due by January 16, 2017. This is a great program for 4-H'er to learn & experience Washington DC! For more information, contact the Extension Office.

### Ivory W. and Pauletta M. Lyles Minority Scholarship:

Arkansas 4-H has scholarships available for minority\* 4-H members to support members to attend the Citizenship Washington Focus Conference (CWF) in 2018. The Ivory W. and Pauletta M. Lyles Minority Scholarship is available to minority 4-H members who have been active members of the Arkansas 4-H Program.

All scholarship recipients MUST

- Be a between the ages of 14-17
- Be a member of 4-H a least 2 years
- Be willing to do a presentation about CWF to a county group i.e. 4-H club, county council, foundation or at a 4-H event upon your return.

\*those historically underrepresented in 4-H

Please complete the application located in 4-H Online by December 5, 2017. The scholarship recipients will be announced December 11, 2017. Determination of the scholarship recipients will be based upon 4-H participation.



**SAVE THE DATES**  
**2018 Ar 4-H Camps**

- Camp Scholarship Apps: Due, Jan. 3 & March 1 by noon
- High Adventure - MN: July 29-Aug. 5 (canoe)
- Mandatory HA Trainings: March 3, April 20-22
- Career Camp: Jan. 26-28
- HA Horsepacking Training: March 10, May 19-20, Sept. 29-30, Nov. 16-18
- Spring Equine: March 19-22
- Camp Leadership - Basic: April 6-7
- Camp Leadership - Advanced: April 7-8
- Summer Equine: May 29-June 1
- Counselor Training: June 1-2
- Teen Lifeguard Training: June 2-5
- Adventure & Challenge: June 25-27 or June 29-July 1
- Junior Camp: June 25-27 or July 9-11
- Cloverbud: June 29-July 1
- Craft Camp: July 6-8
- STEM: July 8-11
- Forestry & Wildlife: Nov. 2-4

### 4-H TRIVIA

What is the 4-H Club Motto?

The first 4-H'er to text (870-946-6160) with the correct answer and their name will receive a prize.



**Clover Kids 4-H Club** met on November 13 with twenty-two present. Our roll-call was "Name your favorite 4-H event". Volunteering at the food bank and the fish fry got the most votes. Each member packed a Samaritan's box. Two of our members, Will and Kameran recently attended Forestry Camp. Kameran's favorite part of the camp was building bat boxes. Connor gave a demonstration on how to make an apple desert with peanut butter and raisins. Healthy snacks and drinks were provided to all members and guests by Daniel and Josh. Kameran brought a balloon relay game. We will be having our annual banquet at our next meeting on December 18.

### Prairie Angels

**4-H Club** met on October 30 with ten members present. President Autumn called the meeting to order followed by the 4-H Club



Ritual. Reports were given on the Hamburger supper, Tractor Supply 4-H paper clover campaign, 4-H County Convention and Harvest Fest. The club will bake goodies for our local civil servants for Thanksgiving. The club elected officers Cole - President, Kaylie - Vice President, Autumn - Secretary, Ellie - Treasurer, MK - Reporter Chloe and Henslee - Song Leaders, Daniel and Hykeem - Snack Leaders. Mr. Phil Horton led everyone in a program on hunting skills.



### The 4-H Pledge

I pledge my **Head**  
 to clearer thinking,  
 my **Heart**  
 to greater loyalty,  
 my **Hands**  
 to larger service,  
 and my **Health**  
 to better living  
 . . . for my club,  
 my Community, my Country  
 and my world.<sup>SC 707</sup>

### Spirit of '76 4-H Club

devoted their November meeting to showing their thanks to the community by preparing 36 children's snack bags and donating them to the Caring & Sharing Food Pantry. They then wrote personal thank you notes to several of our local 4-H donors. Mary Claire & Dillon conducted the business session. Games were played with Nick winning the 'Surprise Bucket Challenge' and Landyn the 'Wait a Minute Game'. Refreshments were provided by Landyn. The next meeting will be the Christmas Party on December 13.



### Community Conservation Project

Remember to continue saving aluminum cans, cell phones, and printer cartridges so you can bring them to the Extension Office for recycling. This has been a great 4-H community conservation project! Proceeds go to the Arkansas County 4-H Council.



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Sincerely,

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 Interim Staff Chair

Phil Horton  
 County Extension Agent -  
 Agriculture

Alta Lockley  
 County Extension Agent -  
 4-H/Family & Consumer Sciences



### Arkansas County Extension Service Holiday Schedule

The Extension Office will be closed so employees can enjoy the holidays with their families  
 December 22, 2017 – January 2, 2018.