Upcoming Events

November 12: **Veterinary Feed Directive Program**, 7:00 p.m., JPH Center, NAC South Campus
November 19: **Stock Piled Fescue Field Day**, 1:00 p.m., Blake Farm
November 23: **Welcome to 4-H!**, 6:30 p.m., Extension Office
November 26-27: Extension Office closed to celebrate Thanksgiving holiday
November 30: **4-H Volunteer/Parent Training**, 6:30 p.m., Extension Office

December 1: **Pesticide Applicator Training**, 5:30 p.m., NW AR District Fairgrounds
December 24-31: Extension Office closed for Christmas holiday and winter break

January 1: Extension Office closed for New Year’s Day
January 7: **4-H Volunteer/Parent Training**, 11:30 a.m., Extension Office
January 18: Extension Office closed for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

February: **Master Gardener Training**, Boone and Newton County
February 4: **4-H Volunteer/Parent Training**, 11:30 a.m., Boone County Extension Office

**Veterinary Feed Directive Program**

There will be a Veterinary Feed Directive Program conducted by Heidi Ward, U of A Division of Agriculture Veterinarian, Thursday, November 12, 7:00 p.m. at the JPH Center, North Arkansas College South Campus. Dr. Ward will address the Veterinary Feed Directive rule by the USDA, uses of antibiotics in livestock feed, and the veterinarian/client relationship. All area cattlemen are urged to attend, a meal will be served courtesy of Wood Motor Company. The program is sponsored by the Boone County Cattlemen’s Association, Boone County Extension Service, and Wood Motor Company. *(Sponsor credit or recognition does not imply the University of Arkansas’ endorsement of the services or products named.)*
Master Gardener
New Member Training

The Boone County and Newton County Master Gardeners and County Extension Service will be conducting training for anyone interested in becoming members of the Master Gardener program. The training will be held the month of February every Tuesday and Thursday night. There will also be 2 sessions on Saturday, February 6 and 27. Half of the classes will be held in Harrison, and half will be held in Jasper. Please contact the Boone County Extension Office at 741-6168 for more information.

Extension Get Fit

Extension Get Fit is a community-based strength training program that is safe, structured, and affordable. It is appropriate for all fitness levels, and it offers a supportive group environment. The program is research-based, and it is fun! Here are the current program locations, date, and time in Boone County:

Boone County Senior Center: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 9:00 a.m.
St. John’s Episcopal Church Class 1: Monday and Wednesday, 8:30 a.m.
St. John’s Episcopal Church Class 2: Tuesday and Thursday, 7:30 a.m.
Bergman Oregon Flat Baptist Church: Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30 a.m.
Omaha Community Building: Tuesday and Thursday, 10:00 a.m.
Valley Springs City Hall: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8:15 a.m.

Welcome to 4-H Session

If you are new to our 4-H program or have questions about 4-H projects, plan on attending the “Welcome to 4-H” session Monday, November 23, 6:30 p.m. at the Boone County Extension Office. We will take a closer look at 4-H projects, and opportunities in project areas. We will also answer questions concerning camps and activities offered in our 4-H program. This will be a great opportunity for families who want to learn more about the 4-H program, or would like to organize a club in their community. Please contact the Extension Office at 741-6168 to register for the session.

Safety Day a Success

The Progressive Agriculture® Safety Day was held recently for over 300 Boone County 4th graders. The students participated in hands-on, interactive sessions on fire safety, electrical safety, bicycle safety, ATV safety, firearm safety, PTO/Equipment safety, One Call (call before you dig), chemical safety, proper hand washing, and nutrition. The day was sponsored locally by the Boone County Extension Service, Boone County Farm Bureau, and Boone County Conservation District. Volunteers such as the Harrison Fire Department, Carroll County Electric Cooperative, Arkansas Farm Bureau, Arkansas One Call, and North Arkansas College Ag Club helped out with the sessions in addition to the Extension Service, Farm Bureau, and Conservation District. Larson Farm and Lawn, Clay Maxey Motorsports, Farm Credit Services of Western Arkansas, North Arkansas Regional Medical Center, and McDonald’s also contributed to the program by providing equipment and food.
The Progressive Agriculture Foundation provides a t-shirt and goody bag for each participant. This year marks the 20th anniversary for the Progressive Agriculture® Safety Day. Boone County has hosted the program for the past 12 years reaching over 4,100 Boone County youth and adults with important safety information. If you would like to learn more about the activity, contact the Boone County Extension Office.

WHO TO CONTACT.....

If you have questions about any of the events listed in the newsletter, please contact the Extension Office. You may call us at 870-741-6168 or drop by the office at 1800 Extension Lane. We are located just past North Arkansas College, south campus off hwy. 123. You may also reach us by email.

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