**Have You Re-enrolled?**

As of this date, 66 4-H members have re-enrolled for the 2013-14 4-H year. **Are you one of them?** Go to your family page on 4-H online to see if your status is “active”. If not, **re-enrollment is easy!** Just go to your family page in 4-H online and click “edit” by your name. A screen will come up that already has information filled in about you. Scroll to the bottom of that page and click on “Enroll for 2013-2014”. As you are taken to other screens, continue to follow directions until you have the option to “Submit enrollment.” Your clubs and projects are already prefilled from last year. If you have problems or questions, please call the office and ask for Linda Bates. I will be happy to help.

**Get signed up for 2013-14!!**

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**WANTED: CLUB NEWS!!**

Hey 4-H’ers!! Would you like to see more articles and pictures about you in the newsletter? Me too!! Put your club reporters to work and have them send me articles about the cool things that your clubs are doing. Club news should be submitted by the 5th of the month to be included in that month’s Clover Circular. Please submit your news (with pictures if possible) to me by e-mail, by mail, or bring it to the office in person. **I can’t wait to share what fun things your clubs are doing each month!!**
Garland County 4-H Clubs

Clever Clovers  Meetings in Royal/Hot Springs
Stacy Dodd – 617-6505

Cool Clovers  Meetings at Centerfork Baptist
Church. Lake Hamilton Area
Lisa Driggers – 767-4232

Creative Clovers  Meeting at Goff Home/Ext. Office –
Home School Group
Leslie Goff – 282-0136

Crimson Clovers  Meeting in the Lakeside Area
Lisa Caple – 282-2937

Fountain Lake 4-H  Meetings at Ftn Lake School
Ftn Lake/Jessieville Area
Mandy Ault – 620-9569

Garland Gunners  Meetings at Christian Ministries
Church near Walnut Valley
Shooting Sports
Paul Kern—655-9339

Rockin’ Clovers  Meeting at HS Baptist Church
Jamie Walters – 282-0529

Teen Leaders  Meeting at Extension Office
Linda Bates 617-2603

Poultry Chicks!
It is already time to start thinking
about ordering poultry chicks!! Once
again the Bovan Brown Pullets will be
offered in the Arkansas Poultry Chain
Project. The fee for this project is
$25.00 which includes up to 25 birds.
Males can be ordered for 30 cents each.
Chicks should be here around the
first week of April.
Place your order at
the Garland County
Extension Office by

Do you want to show livestock...?
Are you planning
to show livestock at the fair next year?
Do you want to show an animal but
don’t have the startup money to
purchase one? Then the Farm Credit
Youth Loan Program may be for you!
Farm Credit Services of Western
Arkansas offers a Youth Loan Program
for 4-H members. Loans range from
$500-$2500 to assist with 4-H projects
involving cattle, swine, sheep and goats.
For more information contact Mr.
Jimmy at the extension office.

Beekeeping Essay Contest
Sitting around looking for
something interesting to
do? Why not submit an
entry for the Beekeeping
Essay Contest! The topic for the 2014 essay is
“Beekeeping in Colonial Times.” To the earliest
European settlers in the New World, honey bees
were an important part of their existence. Cargo
manifests show honey bees were among the first
shipments. Research this interesting topic at
your school or public library or, even better, talk
to a local beekeeper. (Cash prizes for National
winners! $750, $500, $250) Interested??
Contact the Extension office for more details.

LET’S HAVE SOME FUN!!
Do you read your Clover Circular?? All of it?? If
you are an active member in 4-H and you read ALL
of your Clover Circular, look for the answer to the
“question of the month” hidden within the words of
one of the articles in this newsletter. The first
three 4-H members that answer correctly (including
page number and the article title in which the word is
found) will receive a $5 certificate
redeemable for food at the Clover
Café during the 2014 Garland County
Fair or the Arts and Crafts Fair.
Look for the Question of the Month!
YOUTH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Youth council is made up of members representing all of the clubs in our county. At a Youth Council Meeting, there should be two representatives of each County Club in attendance. If any voting is necessary, each County Club will be allowed two voting delegates. Youth Council Meetings will be held in conjunction with the Teen Leaders Club meetings every third month. The first Youth Council Meeting will be held during the February 28th Teen Leader Meeting.

We will be voting on President and Photographer officer positions. Britt Driggers and Kirsten Howell are nominees for President, and Bailey Helton and Maddy Mejia are nominees for Photographer. *green* These four candidates should be present to explain why they think they would be a good officer for that position. We will also be discussing the 4-H Achievement Banquet plans.

~4-H Record Books~

The 4-H Record Book is one place to show others what you have done in your 4-H career. Through your record book, you show your accomplishments and how you have developed responsibility by keeping records. Throughout your 4-H career, you will find your record books useful for evaluating your past achievements and in making improvements in future plans. Record Books are due after the first of the year (Jan 24, 2014).

The age divisions are Cloverbud 5-8, Beginners 9-12, Intermediates 13-15, and Advanced 16-19.

LET’S SHOW OUR COUNTY AND OUR DISTRICT HOW MUCH WE DO….Turn in your Record Books!!!

-Club and Member Awards-

On the County Level:
- County Honor Club
- County Champion Club
- Merit Star Award

On the State Level:
- State Honor Club
- Teen Star
- Ambassador

See the insert in this Clover Circular for the requirements of each of these awards.

During their January meeting, the Crimson Clovers went to Nathan Constancio’s home to see and learn about his goats and chickens. Nathan’s goat had triplets in October. It was very educational and a fun time for the club members. In addition to learning about Nathan’s farm projects, Mr. Dana Dewitt taught the group about self-defense. He showed them some really cool moves.

The Crimson Clovers have also been collecting food for the Safe Haven Women’s Shelter for their community service.
4-H Important Dates

January
- 24 Record Books due
- 24 State Scholarship Applications
- 24 Governor’s Award Report Form
- 24 Ambassador Workshop
  Registration deadline

February
- 3 Registration Deadlines:
  Entrepreneur Camp
  Adv. Entrepreneur Camp
- 8 Beekeeping Essay Entries Due
- 14-15 Ambassador Workshop at the
  4-H Center
- 19 2014 Poultry Chain Orders due
- 24 Teen Star Applications due
- 24 Ambassador Applications due
- 28 State Beef Quiz
  Bowl -Fayetteville
- 28 Youth Council
  Mtg.

New 4-H Year Started Oct 1.
Enroll for 2013-14 if you
haven’t already done so!