

# Garland County Clover Circular



 *All the news that is news in Garland County 4-H* 

January 2014



## 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!!**



## 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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!!**

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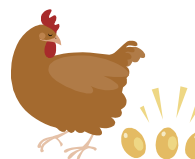
## Garland County 4-H Clubs

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 Wed., Feb. 19.



### **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 \*white\* contact Mr. Jimmy at the extension office.

### **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!



### **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.

Question of the month: **What are the 4-H colors?**

Find the directions in this Clover Circular that tell you what to do about this answer. Deadline for answering is February 5, 2014. Must tell both answers! **HAVE FUN!!**

### **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 28<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **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.**

### **~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!!!**



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.

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## 4-H Important Dates

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### January

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

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

### 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.

