

Garland County Clover Circular





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

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COUNTY CAMP AT THE 4-H CENTER

This year's Garland County 4-H Camp Fit and Fun was held at the C.A. Vines 4-H Center. The 4-H campers who attended said it was the best ever!!! Activities such as Wall Climbing, Hiking, Basketball, Swimming, Canoeing, Cardboard Boat Building and Racing, Rocket Building and Launching, and a GPS Challenge Course were among the many fun activities! Campers found out it can be fun to do activities designed to incorporate fitness into their daily life. If you missed out on a GREAT three day adventure, be sure to plan to attend next year's Camp Fit and Fun!



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State O’Rama Success!!!

The 4-H State O’Rama held in Fayetteville, Arkansas, on the University of Arkansas Campus was the place to be during July! Six of our county 4-H members competed in the event and everyone had a wonderful time of competition, recreation, bonding with county 4-H members, and meeting lots of new friends from around the state. Three members competed in the Livestock Judging Contest. Three other members competed in the Food Bowl Competition. A trip to the Jones Center for ice skating was also a highlight for the week. A dance on the last night completed the activities of the fun trip. New State Officers were voted in and Ambassadors, both new and returning, were recognized. To top off the week, our Food Bowl Team won first place in the state competition. Congratulations to State Champions Britt D., Allisha B., and Jordan W. **Start making plans now to join the fun at the 2015 State O’Rama!** State-only activities are those that do not require you to qualify through District O’Rama. These events include: ATV Safety, Dairy Cattle Judging, Food Bowl, Grassland Plant ID, Interior Design, Land Judging, Livestock Judging, Livestock Skills, Parliamentary Procedure, Photography, Poultry Judging, Reporting, and Tractor Driving. Start planning now!!



The 2014 4-H State Horse Show in Searcy had a great turnout!! The first day proved to be a “little” rainy and delayed the show for about an hour. Junior competitor, A. Thornton, was the winner of a nice, new saddle. Congratulations to her and Cowboy, her horse, for their accomplishments!!



Pumpkin Rolls Galore!!!

In late August, Garland County 4-H members met at the EHC building at the fairgrounds to make the county’s infamous Pumpkin Rolls!! The event drew a huge crowd of chefs and 75 Pumpkin Rolls were prepared during a two-night stretch! Everyone had a great time as over 90 participants engaged in learning to make the cake part and the filling part of the Pumpkin Rolls.

Many Teen Leaders assisted with the process. Pumpkin Rolls were sold at the County Fair and will be sold at the Arts and Crafts Fair as well. Any left over will be on sale through the Extension Office.



GARLAND COUNTY FAIR A Week of Memories!

Cattle, goats, sheep, swine, chickens, and rabbits were everywhere on the Garland County fairgrounds in early September! 4-H members from all over the county — from the youngest member to the oldest— participated in the six-day event that ran from September 8-13. For 4-H members, the fair preparations started long before the first day of the fair. Members who showed animals had to have the animal in their possession by July 1 of the year. Animals had to be tended and cared for. Weight gain was carefully monitored during the months as 4-H youth worked hard to make their animals physically fit and ready for the fair. Some animals had to be handled daily to help them to be manageable when they were placed in the show ring with other youth and animals.

Many 4-H youth entered items in the Arts and Crafts department as well. Some items entered were photography, cookies, cakes, preserved items, posters, constructed garments, jams and jellies, and crafts. Those who entered these items spent lots of time learning to perfect their entries and in preparing themselves and their entries for showing.

Fair queen contestants and talent show and fashion show participants spent hours practicing for the competitions in which they participated.

Overall, the 4-H youth of Garland County were a very active part of this year's fair. This event was a culmination of hundreds of hours of work. It was the week when each young person saw all their hard work pay off. GREAT JOB GARLAND COUNTY 4-H!!



Citizenship/Leadership Program Continues in Garland County

Twenty of our Garland County 4-H teens participated in a County Courthouse Tour on August 5. County Judge Rick Davis talked to the young 4-H'ers about all the responsibilities his job entails. He discussed the importance of being a good citizen and the things a citizen must do to be involved in their community. They were given a first-hand look at a real jury room, complete with the presiding judge, the bailiff, and the court reporter. They walked through the records department where some of them looked at their own parent's marriage license records. They even checked out the county 4-H Agent's marriage license!!!!



This tour was only part of a variety of activities that will take place over the next few months as the teens attend three classroom style learning presentations, help at the voting polls, visit the Clinton Library and The Old Statehouse in Little Rock, and participate in a Citizenship Quiz Bowl with other county 4-H members in Montgomery County. If you are a teen and want to be involved in the activities concerning the Citizenship and Leadership program with us, give me a call at the County Extension Office at 501-623-6841. There are lots of events left for participation!!



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4-H Important Dates

October

- 8** National 4-H Youth Science Day "Rockets to the Rescue"
- 8-19** Tractor Supply Paper Clover Fundraiser
- 10-19** Arkansas State Fair
- 11** 4-H Day at the State Fair
- 13** Citizenship/Leadership Mtg.
- 18** 4-H at Tractor Supply
- 27** Teen Leader Meeting
- 30** Vet Science Meeting

November

- 22** Citizenship/Leadership Quiz Bowl at Montgomery County
- 24** Teen Leader/Youth Council Mtg.

(No Thursday night Vet Science Mtg in November)

December

- 6** Vet Science Meeting
- 8** Holiday Workshop

(No Teen Leader meeting in December)

