Proclamation Signing – Photo Opportunity

Mark your calendars for Thursday, September 18 during lunch break at the fair. ALL members and volunteers are invited to join us on the stage of the multi-purpose building. Perry County judge Baylor House will present a signed proclamation declaring October 5-11, 2014 as 4-H Week in Perry County. The photo will be used to promote 4-H Week through various media outlets.

2014 Perry County Fair

All livestock and poultry may be entered on Tuesday night, September 16 from 6-9 p.m. and on Wednesday morning, September 17. No entries will be accepted after noon on Wednesday. To keep traffic down, we strongly recommend you to bring your livestock and poultry on Tuesday night. Call Ed to get your entry number ahead of time! You may also enter by going to www.perry.fairmanager.com and enter everything online. The Perry County Fair Kitchen is open daily starting Tuesday and will be open from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Food Prepared by Holly’s Country Cooking this year. Various organizations and the fair board will be serving the meals – come out and support the fair!

Horse Show

The 2014 Horse Show is scheduled for Monday, September 15 at 6:30 p.m. at the fairgrounds livestock barns.

Educational Booths

Booths must be completed by Wednesday, September 17 at noon and cannot be removed until noon on Saturday, September 20. Booths are judged on appropriateness of theme – timely, important, beneficial, practical (15 points); preparation and presentation – proper planning, well presented, backgrounds, foregrounds, etc. (10 points); accuracy (10 points); attractiveness – eye catching (15 points); simplicity and brevity – single concept, orderly arrangement (10 points); clarity (15 points) and effectiveness (25 points).

Scrambles

Chicken, Pig and Calf scrambles will be held on Wednesday, September 17 at the Horse Arena beginning at 6:30 p.m. Deadline to register has passed. If you didn’t
Service Fair
The Service Fair will be held on Wednesday, September 17 at the Multi-Purpose building from 6 to 8 p.m. We need help with promoting Extension and 4-H in Perry County. If you can help any during this time frame, please let us know as soon as possible – counts as a community service project!

Goat Follies
The Goat Follies will be held on Friday, September 19 in the show barn at 6:30 p.m. There will be three (3) events: Goat Dressing Relay Race, Obstacle Course and Goat Costume Contest. Bring your goat and have some fun!

Livestock Auction
The 2014 Perry County Robert Parish Junior Livestock Auction will be held on Saturday, September 20 at 9:00 a.m. in the show ring. Grand and Reserve Grand champions will go through the premium sale. All other exhibitors will go through as add-ons.

The donation sheets for the 2014 Livestock Premium Auction are available at the Extension office. It is up to you and your families to obtain donations. Checks should be made out to Perry County Fair Association and turned in at the 4-H office.

Poultry Auction
The 2014 Louis Belden Poultry Auction will be held on Saturday, September 20 at 11:00 a.m. at the Poultry Barn. Call Ed for more information.

Service Opportunity!
4-H will be doing lunch on Saturday, September 20 at the fairgrounds. We need Teens/Adults to volunteer to help set up, serve and clean up from 11 to 2. Call Vicki to sign up. Also, if you are available to help with the fair pageants by taking money at the door Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and/or Saturday, contact Susie ASAP at 662-4880.

2014 State Fair
For state fair information and/or registration go to www.arkansasstatefair.com if you plan on showing at the Arkansas State Fair this year. Please let Ed know if you are planning on showing at the state fair as soon as possible; you may need to do some paper work or have him visit your farm.

Reminder for Reception
Don’t forget to join us on Thursday, September 25 from 5-6:30 p.m. at First Electric for Ed’s going away reception. It will be held immediately following the quarterly volunteer training (which we hope you are planning to attend). Ed has truly been a blessing to Perry County and 4-H. We hate to lose him but we also understand family comes first. That’s the greatest thing about Ed – he has always allowed us to put family first. He will be truly missed!

2015 Year in 4-H
It’s time to re-enroll! Go to www.arkansas.4honline.com today! We have some exciting changes coming in 2015 for Arkansas 4-H and for Perry County 4-H. The 4-H year runs from October 1 through September 30 each year. Every member and leader needs to go online to re-activate their membership and check contact information to make sure it is correct – everyone was deactivated through the 4-H online system as of August 31. We have been receiving several newsletters back in the mail, so make sure you have the correct mailing address you want to receive your newsletter. We look forward to another great year in 4-H here in Perry County. As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to call the office.

National 4-H Week & Month
National 4-H Week is October 5-11. We hope each member and each club will discuss at your club meeting what you can do to promote 4-H that week. If you need ideas, just call Vicki at the office.

Express your 4-H pride with this year’s theme, “#iam4H.”
From October 5 - 11 post a picture of yourself with your #iam4H sign, which can be downloaded at the link below. Please encourage youth, volunteers, professionals, and alumni to share their pride photo on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram, along with the #iam4H and #4HWeek hashtags.
National 4-H Week & Month

Wednesday, October 8 – we will be going to Perryville Elementary School to conduct the Youth Science Day experiments with their 5th and 6th grades and take a photo with the members, volunteers there.

During National 4-H Week, hundreds of thousands of youth from all around the nation will complete a single, innovative experiment on 4-H National Youth Science Day, which will be held on Wednesday, October 8, 2014. The 2014 National Science Experiment Rockets to the Rescue, will task youth to design and build an aerodynamic food transportation device that can deliver a payload of nutritious food to fictitious disaster victims. Youth will learn engineering concepts, develop math skills, learn about nutrition and help solve a relevant, global issue. To learn more about National Youth Science Day, please visit http://www.4-h.org/nysd/.

Spread the Word!

Beyond social media, spread the word about National 4-H Week by distributing bookmarks and flyers at local events, hang posters at retail stores, and fill out our press release template to notify your local newspapers and television news stations about the six million young people empowered by 4-H every day.

About 4-H:
4-H, the nation’s largest youth development and empowerment organization, cultivates confident kids who tackle the issues that matter most in their communities right now. In the United States, 4-H programs empower six million young people through the 109 land-grant universities and Cooperative Extension in more than 3,000 local offices serving every county and parish in the country. Outside the United States, independent, country-led 4-H organizations empower one million young people in more than 50 countries. National 4-H Council is the private sector, non-profit partner of the Cooperative Extension System and 4-H National Headquarters located at the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) within the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). Learn more about 4-H at www.4-H.org, find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/4-H and on Twitter at https://twitter.com/4H.

Research has proven that participation in 4-H has a significant positive impact on young people. Recent findings from the Tufts University 4-H Study of Positive Youth Development indicate that, when compared to their peers, young people in 4-H are:

- Nearly four times more likely to contribute to their communities,
- Two times more likely to pursue healthy behaviors, and
- Two times more likely to engage in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) programs in the out-of-school time.

2014 Perry County 4-H Achievement & Awards Banquet

Perry County 4-H Achievement and Awards Banquet will be held Monday, October 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the multipurpose building at the fairgrounds. The theme this year will be “4-H in the USA” with patriotic decorations (provided by Woodmen of the World – need send them a thank you) and emphasis on the Citizenship/Leadership projects. We will have an "All American" menu with hot dogs and hamburgers provided. We all need to thank Petit Jean Meats for the donation of hot dogs; Farm Credit Services for the donation of hamburgers; and Big Star of Perryville for the donation of buns and chips. We are asking our 4H families to provide the side dishes and desserts.

Applications for Volunteer Leader of the Year; Junior 4-H Member of the Year and Senior 4-H Member of the Year are available at the Extension office (we have also enclosed a copy for your convenience). Deadline for applications is Wednesday, October 1 in order to get awards here in time.

All new members and volunteers and achievements of 4-Hers throughout the year will be recognized! Hope to see you ALL there!

WOW Halloween Carnival

Perry County will have a booth at the annual WOW Halloween Carnival. It will be held on Halloween night this year – Friday, October 31! We need members to volunteer to work. Call Mary Jane at the office or email her at mcody@uaex.edu.
Get the kids involved and bake a few of your favorite treats with the flavors of fall.

**Apple Crisp**
Warm up the kids on a crisp, fall afternoon with this delicious apple treat.

You will need apples, rolled oats, brown sugar, flour, cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves and salt to make an apple crisp. The apples are sliced and placed in the bottom of a baking pan and then covered with the remaining ingredients mixed with butter. Bake for about 45 minutes. Serve the apple crisp warm, topped with whipped cream or vanilla ice cream.

**Enjoying Fall: 10 Ways to Celebrate the Season with your Tot**

**Carrot Cake**
Allow the kids to enjoy the bountiful harvest of fall by making their own carrot cake. Use a spice cake mix and add grated carrots or make it from scratch.

Top the cake with cream cheese or white frosting, and then allow the kids to decorate the carrot cake by piping carrot shapes onto the top of the cake.

**10 Light Versions of Decadent Desserts**

**Pumpkin Cupcakes**
Make spice cake cupcakes using a boxed cake mix and the necessary ingredients. Bake the cupcakes in the oven as directed on the packaging and allow them to cool before decorating.

Have the kids mix orange food coloring with cream cheese or white frosting and then decorate the cupcakes with the orange frosting. Use pretzel sticks or nuggets to create stems on the pumpkins and add small gumdrops for leaves.

Going on a leaf hunt is a great family activity for the fall. When you get home, follow our steps here to create your own leaf book - with no wax paper or ironing! When you're done, use the book to discuss what you saw, differences in the leaves, all the colors, etc. and it becomes a fantastic preschool science craft.

**What you'll need:**
- A bag to collect your leaves in
- Clear contact paper
- Scissors
- Construction paper
- Stapler
- Leaf template
- Glue stick (optional)

**How to make your Leaf Book Craft:**

1. Go on a walk outside and collect leaves in your bag. Make sure to point things out to your kids on the walk - pretty leaves, different colors, etc.

2. When you get back home, dump the leaves out on a piece of newspaper to examine your stash.

3. Cut 2 pieces of contact paper that are the same size. We decided to cut our sheets so that they are about an inch smaller than a piece of construction paper, so they would fit nicely in our construction paper cover.

4. Peel the back off of one piece of contact paper. Arrange your leaves on the contact paper. When the leaves are stuck down, peel the back of the second piece of contact paper and carefully lay it on top of the first piece. This works best if you start on one side and "roll" the second piece over the first to avoid bubbles. Press the two pieces together well.
5. Repeat step 4 as many times as you need to get all of your leaves "pressed".

6. Use two pieces of construction paper as covers to your book. Cut them as needed to fit your contact paper.

7. Staple the contact paper leaf sheets between the two covers.

8. Print our leaf template and cut it out. Trace onto construction paper and cut it out. Glue it onto the front cover of your book and write "my leaf book" on it. You could also trace the leaf directly onto your book cover instead.

Other craft ideas to do with your kids:

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Club News . . . .

**St. Boniface** Contact Juanita at 759-2399.

**Rose Creek** meets on first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Rose Creek Community Building. Contact Susan McGehee at 662-4880.

**Aplin** Contact Nicole at 889-4268.

**Perryville** meets the Second Wednesday of each month at 5:15 at the Milam Library.

**Teen Leaders**

**Performing Arts** - Performing Arts Members – meets as needed. Contact Tammy at 889-2661.

**Bigelow School** club meets during school hours in conjunction with FFA. Contact Brian Taylor.

**Toadsuck** – call Tara 759-3051.

**Shootin’ the Bull Livestock** – Contact Monica Crocker at 501-499-2628.
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## Calendar of Events

### September
- 13: Fair Float Judging 9 am
- 13: Fair Parade 10 am
- 15: Horse Show
- 16: Carnival Opens
- 16: Fair Entries 5-8 pm
- 16: Livestock Entries 6-9
- 17: Fair Entries til noon
- 17: Fair Entry Judging
- 17: Poultry Judging 1 pm
- 17: Rabbit Judging 1 pm
- 17: Exhibits on Display 5-8
- 17: Scrambles 6:30 pm
- 17: Service Fair 6-8 pm
- 18: Exhibits on Display 8-8
- 18: Swine Judging 8 am
- 18: Dairy Cattle Judging 9 am
- 18: Beef Cattle Judging 10 am
- 18: Judging Contest 5pm
- 18: Proclamation Signing
- 19: Exhibits on Display 8-8
- 19: Sheep Judging 9 am
- 19: Goat Judging 10 am
- 19: Goat Follies 6:30 pm
- 19: Livestock Removal 10 pm
- 20: Livestock Auction
- 20: Poultry Auction
- 20: Exhibits on Display 8-noon
- 20: Removal of All Exhibits
- At noon

### October
- 5-11: National 4-H Week
- 8: Youth Science Day
- 20: Awards Banquet
- 31: WOW Carnival

## Birthdays for October...

**Happy Birthday!**

- C Wood 13 October 12 Shootin the Bull
- A Strecker 18 October 25 Aplin
- A Strecker 13 October 28 Aplin

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**University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service – Perry County**

All meetings and activities announced in this newsletter are open to all youth between the ages of 5 and 19 without regard to race, color, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, national origin, religion disability, marital or veteran status, genetic information, or any other legally protected status. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (large print, audiotapes, etc.) should notify the county Extension office as soon as possible prior to the activity. All meeting places meet ADA requirements.

“Know thy self and have the courage to follow that.” – author unknown