Record books are a record of your 4-H'ers work for the past year. These will be due to our office Friday, January 22.

For resources on record books, check out: [http://www.uaex.edu/4h-resource-library/project-books.aspx](http://www.uaex.edu/4h-resource-library/project-books.aspx)

Clover buds' books stay in our county, while the Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced books go to the state office to be judged. The advanced record book participants have the chance to be awarded a scholarship and trip to Congress.

At the bottom of the page, there's a video explaining which record book is appropriate for which ages. Be watching for more videos to come.

All record books that are turned into the county receive a $50 credit that can be used for 4-H camps, 4-H event registrations, and project books. This credit can only be used during the year it is awarded and can not be used for t-shirts.

For beginner, intermediate and advanced books, you will need a cover folder. You can use the one you already have or buy one from the office for $2.50. These are the green and white sturdy.
folders and the record book must be turned in with it. Clover buds do not need one.

**Family Event/Policy Guide**

We have an updated event/policy guide that we emailed out to families. This guide will replace the former Family guide we handed out the last few years. This has almost every single event, activity, etc. that a 4-H’er in Saline County has access to. If you notice anything that should be added or fixed, please let Stephany know. This will be updated every year to reflect any information or date changes.

**Re-Enroll on 4-H Online**

It is simple, just go to https://arkansas.4honline.com and sign into your existing account. If you have forgotten your password, you can have a temporary one sent to your email that you used when you created the account. Then hit the re-enroll button for 2015-2016 and update your information. Thank you!

**4-H Day with the Razorbacks**

We wanted to extend this special opportunity to 4-H members, volunteers, friends and family of 4-H to attend the upcoming Arkansas Razorback Basketball game against South Carolina at Bud Walton Arena on Saturday, March 5, 2016 at 4:00 pm.

*This game is our “4-H Recognition Day!”*

With this special offer tickets are only $12.00 by going here http://bit.ly/1xqXlTA and entering promo code: 4H Clover16

The deadline to order tickets is March 2nd.

Also- go on 4-H Online to sign up for the fan tunnel!

SEE YOU AT BUD WALTON ARENA! GO HOGS GO!

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**CES Scholarships, Governor’s Award, and Hall of Fame applications are due to our office January 22.**

These applications are found online at http://uaex.edu/4h-youth/resource-library/applications.aspx.
New to 2016, we are rolling out an incentive plan. This incentive plan will be where members can keep track of their points and what work they have done. We hope that this will be an easy way to track what you’ve done all year long.

This incentive plan also has a prize attached to it. In the past, our 4-H Members of the year have been chosen by the county office with the stipulation of completing a record book. This year, the members will be chosen via the Incentive Plan.

The top 5 juniors and top 5 seniors will be recognized at the county awards banquet (previously in the fall, will now be in January); the top 3 juniors and top 3 seniors will be interviewed by either county staff or 4-H Foundation Board members to choose the Junior and Senior of the year.

We hope to make this a smooth process and allow for more of our Saline County members to jump into the running for these top awards! Stephany will be coming to club meetings in the next two months to help everyone be aware of the new information and the best ways to track your points.

**High Adventure • June 19-25**

Dates: June 19-25, 2016
Cost: $350 non-refundable
Location: Arkansas
Deadline: January 15

Registration fee due at registration either by card online or check/cash to our office. We are limited to 28 youth (13 and up) and 4 adults this year. We will be staying in state. Please pay attention to dates, and prices. This year’s plan may be more fluid since we are in state and have the ability to change plans if a new opportunity should arise.
This year’s trip will be a good way for those who have been nervous about attending HA to get their feet wet. Cross your fingers it won't get HOT early this year.

Camp/TLC Scholarship - Application due Feb. 1.
This due date is so they can get some of the early events selected. They will open it back up for scholarships for the later events.

Career Camp • February 19-21

**Dates:** February 19-21  
**Cost:** First 81 youth: $75. After 81, cost will be $200. Adults for $200.  
**Location:** 4-H Center • Deadline: February 1  
**Ages:** Juniors and Seniors, 9-19

You get to choose from 4 career tracts at this camp: Ag/Natural Resources, Family & Consumer Sciences, Health Care, Trades! You will learn some general information about careers, such as, resumes and interviews.

They have received some outside funding for this camp. Therefore, the first 81 youth to register will be able to attend camp at a reduced rate of $75. There are about 30 spots still open.

Campers beyond the 81 can register for the full rate of $200. Creena will open that option as the camp fills. It will also serve as a waiting list should anyone cancel from the first 81.

There are also a few $50 scholarships for this camp. The scholarship application is already up. They will select scholarship recipients based on financial need. Also, remember campers may only receive 1 camp/TLC scholarship per year. They will open the other scholarship applications soon.

**Dairy Recipe & County O-Rama: Big B Day & Talks and Talents**  
**Saturday, March 5 from 9 am- 1 pm • Please RSVP by March 1st**
Dairy Recipe, Baitcasting, BB Gun Safety, Bicycle & Reel into Sport fishing in the morning with Talks & Talents in the afternoon

Please have your dairy recipe items here and set up by 9:30 am. Big B Day starts at 9 am with Talks and Talent to start at 11:15 am. Awards will be presented for all events for Talks & Talents is finished.
Did you know that the Saline County 4-H Foundation offers a payment plan for events? They do!
In our Family Event/Policy guide, there is a copy of the payment plan. We never want anyone to feel like they can't participate in an event because the up front cost is expensive.
If you are interested, we have a signature page in our office that must be filled out before funds are dispersed. The rules and plan must be adhered to.

To show market animals in the Arkansas State Fair, the first step is to pay a nomination fee of $25.

For steer show at the county fair, we have a gain-ability contest sponsored by the Saline County Cattlemen’s Association. We will weigh steers on the first Saturday in April and then again at the county fair in September.
Please let Ron know if you plan to bring cattle, hogs, sheep and/or goats to the county fair. If you have any questions, please contact Ron.

**Ambassador & Teen Star Applications**

These will be due to our office March 8. You can complete the online version and we can sign it online.

**Ora Lee Yates’s Retirement Celebration**

Ora Lee, our wonderful Administrative Support Staff member, will be retiring at the end of February after almost 31 years of service to Extension. We want to thank her for her service with us by thanking her with a party.

Friday, February 26 @ 2-4 pm @ Extension Office

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**Calendar of Events**

**January 15:** Last day to register for High Adventure • 4-H Online • $350

**January 22:** Record Books due to Extension Office • 4:30 pm

**January 22:** CES Scholarships, Governor’s Award, Hall of Fame due to County Office

**February 1:** Last day to register for WHEP Practice • 4-H Online

**February 1:** Last day to early register for Camp/TLC Scholarship • 4-H Online

**February 1:** Last day to register for Career Camp (ages 9-19) • 4-H Online

**February 19-21:** Career Camp • 4-H Center

**February 20:** WHEP Practice Session • ASU Beebe

**February 26:** Ora Lee’s Retirement Celebration • Extension Office • 2-4 pm

**March 1:** Last day to register for Dairy Recipe & County O-Rama • Extension Office

**March 2:** Last day to order Razorback Basketball Tickets • Online • $12

**March 5:** Dairy Recipe & County O-Rama Contest • Extension Office • 9 am

**March 5:** 4-H Day with the Razorbacks • Fayetteville • 4 pm

**March 8:** Ambassador & Teen Star Applications due to our office

**March 25:** Last day to register for County Poultry BBQ Contest

**April 2:** County Poultry BBQ Contest • Extension Office • 9 am
All meetings and activities announced in this newsletter are open to youth, between the ages of 5 and 19 without regard to race, color, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, age, disability, marital or veteran status, genetic information, or any other legally protected status, and is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. 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.