RECRUIT A NEW MEMBER

When your friends ask you about all of the things you do in 4-H, tell them to come join the fun by enrolling online at https://arkansas.4honline.com or tell them to call 870-864-1916. Remember 4-H club is for all youth age 5-19. If they need club information, it is listed below.

Clubs available and meeting schedules:

All members are encouraged to meet at least 6 club meetings per year.

Centerpoint 4-H Club — Centerpoint Office Bldg. Griffith Street—El Dorado, Mtg. Time—2nd Monday of each month—6:30 p.m.

Faircrest 4-H Club—Mt. Union Baptist Church—Mt. Union Rd. Mtg. time—1st Monday of each month—6:30 p.m.

Norphlet 4-H Club—Norphlet Elementary School—Norphlet. Meets 1st Monday of each month during school year—3:45 p.m.

Saddle Club—St. Paul’s Methodist Church—8th Street, El Dorado—Meets 2nd Thursday of each month—6:00 p.m.

SHOOTING SPORTS CLUB—Oak Manor Club House Meets 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month—6:00 p.m.

Smackover 4-H Club—Smackover Elementary School—Ms. Morgan’s Room—Smackover—Meets 2nd Thursday of each month during school year—3:20 p.m.

Washington Middle School 4-H Club—MLK Blvd. Washington Middle School—Meets 3rd Thursday of each month during school year—3:15 p.m.

4-H Teen Leader Club—(All eligible members 13 years of age and up) - County Extension Office—American Rd.—El Dorado—Meets 3rd Monday of each month—6:00 p.m.
Dates to Remember

JULY 2015

4-11 Citizenship Washington Focus
7 Youth Pillowcase Class—9:00-10:00—Ages 9-12—Ext. Office
9-11 Range Events—4-H Center
13 Spin Club Meeting—10:00-12:00—Ext. Office
14 Livestock Parent Mtg. 6:00—Fairgrounds
14-17 State 4-H Horse Show—Searcy, AR
17-18 Belt Buckle Classic—UC Fairgrounds
20 Spin Club Meeting—10:00-12:00—Ext. Office
20-24 State 4-H O’Rama—Fayetteville
27 Spin Club Meeting—10:00-12:00—Ext. Office
27 4-H Expansion & Review—6:00—Ext. Office
28 Youth Cooking Class 9:00-12:00—Ages 9-12—Ext. Office

AUGUST 2015

10 Spin Club Meeting—10:00-12:00—Ext. Office
10-11 District Fair Registration—4:00-6:00—Ext. Office
15 Spin Club Meeting—10:00-12:00—Ext. Office
22 Spin Club Meeting—10:00-12:00—Ext Office

SEPTEMBER 2015

1 All 4-H members MUST re-enroll in 4-H online.
Go to: https://arkansas.4honline.com
DO NOT CREATE A NEW PROFILE—JUST RE-ENROLL!!!

HOW TO BE A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING

To maintain your 4-H membership in 2015 you must:

1. Enroll in Arkansas 4-H On-Line (if you need help call (870) 864-1916 or ask a certified 4-H Volunteer Leader.
2. Attend a minimum of 6 organized club meetings per year with a recognized club in your County.
3. OR attend and participate in a minimum of 6 educational workshops or clinics conducted by Extension Staff and Volunteer Leaders.
   (Dates to be announced)
4. Follow all rules and regulations set forth in the 4-H Code of Conduct (Members sign when enrolling)

A Certified or chartered 4-H Club must:

1. Be organized and supervised by a minimum of 2 unrelated certified 4-H Adult Volunteer Leaders. (Leaders are required to attend 4 hours of youth development training each year).
2. A club must have at least 6 members not of the same immediate family.
3. Have a duly elected set of functioning officers and conduct meetings monthly (as possible) using Roberts Rules of Order and operate under a set of approved By-Laws (Union County has a set in place).

4-H SPIN CLUBS

Any Union County 4-H youth planning to show and sell animals at the County Fair must meet membership requirements. If you have not met your 6 club meetings during the year, these meetings are intended to help you meet that obligation. Dates are: July 13, 20 & 27, & August 10, 15 & 22.
10:00-12:00—Ext. Office.
See ya there!!!

4-H EXPANSION & REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING
July 27th—6:00 p.m.—Ext. Office

All certified leaders are invited to attend this important meeting. This will replace 4-H Volunteer Leader Training. We need your help determining issues of importance to youth development through 4-H in Union County. If you plan to attend, please call the Extension Office at 870-864-1916 by Friday, July 24th. Leaders, be thinking of ways we can expand our outreach to the youth of Union County.
TEEN LEADER CONFERENCE

Five Union County 4-H Teen Leaders attended 2015 Teen Leader Conference. H. Crawford, A. Fruge, C. Talley, A. Sweeney, and A. Hargett represented Union County by participating in workshops designed to improve their leadership skills. A. Sweeney and A. Hargett were recognized as Arkansas 4-H Teen Stars for 2015.

District 4-H Horse Show

Union County 4-H members M. Kooms and A. Hamaker represented Union County 4-H by participating in the 2015 Ouachita District 4-H Horseshow held in Benton, AR. M. Kooms was selected District Horseshow Queen and A. Hamaker won Jr. All-Around in speed events. CONGRATULATIONS to both ladies.

CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS 2015

3 Union County 4-H members will travel to Washington D.C. as members of the Arkansas delegation during July 4-11, 2015. CONGRATULATIONS to A. Hargett, W. Senn and A. Sweeney for being selected to represent Union County 4-H and Arkansas. While in Washington, they will have the opportunity to tour the capitol and visit with Arkansas legislators about issues facing Arkansas youth.

These trips are sponsored by donations to Union County 4-H. Anyone wishing to make a donation to sponsor 4-H youth opportunities is encouraged to call Union County Extension office at 870-864-1916.
2015 DISTRICT O’RAMA WINNERS

14 Union County 4-H members participated in Ouachita District 4-H O’Rama competition at Gurdon High School on June 16th. Those placing 1st were: W. Senn, J. Dillard, H. Crawford, A. Sweeney, S. Senn, B. McCoy, A. Hargett and C. Talley. 2nd Place Winners were: M. Collier, H. Hanry, and H. Talley. A. Fruge place 3rd, G. Reed placed 5th and C. Rowland is pictured holding the group Spirit Award. The 4-H Stars shine bright in Union County.

UNION COUNTY 4-H MEMBERS SERVE COMMUNITY THROUGH GARDENING

County Extension Agents Lauren Brown and Robin Bridges oversee 4-H members H. Crawford and T. Crawford as they work with members of Daniel Group Home in El Dorado to construct a small raised bed garden. Union County 4-H members are encouraged to reach out to community through their community service learning projects.
UNION COUNTY 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS CLUB RECOGNIZED


CONGRATULATIONS TEAM!!!

G. Reed was presented the 2015 YHEC Sportsmanship award. He will also represent Arkansas at the National YHEC competition this summer.

T. Crawford won a Henry Rifle for placing 3rd overall in Jr. Division. He was 1st in Compass and Wildlife ID. He will represent Arkansas at the National YHEC competition this summer.
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, national origin, religion, gender, disability, 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.