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**TIME TO RE-ENROLL**

All 4-H members MUST re-enroll in 4-H online. Please go into the 4-H Site http://www.arkansas4honline.com and get re-enrolled for the new year. **PLEASE DO NOT START ALL OVER TO RE-ENROLL!!!** Go into your name and edit and update your information. If you have any questions, please call us at 870-864-1916.

**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.

**SHOOTING SPORTS CLUB**—Oak Manor Club House Call Union County Extension Office for dates and times—864-1916.

**Smackover 4-H Club**—Smackover High School—Mr. Jackson’s Room in Ag Building—Meets 2nd Thursday of each month during school year—3:20 p.m.

**Washington Middle School 4-H Club**—MLK Blvd. Washington Middle School—TBA

**Westside 4-H Club**—Westside School—Meets Every 4th Monday at 6:00 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

SEPTEMBER 2016

1  Re-Enrollment Begins
6  Shooting Sports Instructor Training Registration
10  Mandatory Fair Barn Clean-Up 8:00—??
15  Voluntary Leader Training—Fairgrounds—6:00
15-17 4H Fall Shooting Sports Instructor Training—4H Center
19-23  Union County Fair
23-25  Forestry & Wildlife Camp—4-H Center
28-Oct.1 District Fair—Hope
28 4-H Day at AR-OK State Fair, Ft. Smith, AR
30 4-H Day at the State Fair Contest Registration

OCTOBER 2016

1-31 4H Month of Service—All Clubs
3-7  National 4-H Week
8 4-H Garage Sale
12  Deadline for Sew With Cotton—4:00 p.m.
14-23 AR State Fair
15 4-H Day at the State Fair

HOW TO BE A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING

To maintain your 4-H membership in 2016-2017 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).
UNION COUNTY 4-H GARAGE SALE

The Union County Teen Leader Club is planning a garage sale for Saturday, October 8, 2016 at the Union County Fairgrounds. If you would like to donate items, please call Cherrie Sweeney or Amy Crawford at 870-864-1916 so they will know how much room to plan for. Please price the items for the sale before you deliver to the fairgrounds.

SEWING CLUB

Because of the large interest in the sewing classes held this summer, we are considering starting a “Sewing Club” for all 4H’ers. If you know of anyone who would be available to be the Leader of a “Sewing Club”, please call us at 870-864-1916. This would be a wonderful opportunity for our youth to learn an almost forgotten trade.

NATIONAL SHOOTING SPORTS COMPETITION

CONGRATULATIONS !!! TO OUR SHOOTING SPORTS TEAM for representing Union County at the National Shooting Sports Competition in Pennsylvania. Pictured are: 1st Row Left to Right—Grace Reed, Bryce Brady, Landon Langston, CJ Mock and Thomas Crawford. Second Row Left to Right—Griffin Reed, Tony Crawford and Jason Reed.
2016 STATE O’RAMA WINNERS

Union County had 8 Union County 4-H Senior members participate in State 4-H O’Rama.

Kaitlin Jones placed 1st in Consumer Economics. John Dillard placed 3rd in Ornamental Horticulture. Christen Talley placed 3rd in Citizenship. Clayton Bolding placed 3rd in Entomology. April Thurmon placed 3rd in Horse. Austin Fruge placed 5th in safety. Toby Hudson and Sally Senn received participation ribbons in Bicycle and Constructed Fashion Dressy. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR PARTICIPANTS.

Union County Livestock Skills Team participated at the State O’Rama. Left to right are: Toby Hudson, Josh Lamb (Bradley County) John Dillard, Clayton Bolding, Sally Senn, Austin Fruge, April Thurmon, Kaitlin Jones, and Christen Talley.
Union County Fair Dates are September 19-24, 2016. Jr. Livestock Sale is on Friday, September 24th. If you are showing an animal, don’t forget to pick up the bro- chures at the barn clean-up and get them out to the buyers. You may pick up an exhibit catalog at the Union County Cooperative Extension Office. They are also available at various places around town. Call the Extension Office at 870-864-1916 to find out other places to pick up the catalogs.

DISTRICT FAIR

District Fair will be held on Wednesday, September 28—Saturday, October 1, 2016. We need all market animals registered and a copy of their registration delivered to the Extension Office absolutely NO LATER than noon on Friday, September 9th. If you’re not sure of what you need, call the Union County Extension Office at 870-864-1916.

STATE FAIR

State Fair will be held October 14-23, 2016. Please make sure your entries are in if you are attending this event. There will be a 4-H Day at the State Fair on October 15, 2016. Call the Extension office if you have any questions.

The goal of 4-H is to grow caring responsible productive youth!!! The projects are just the tools we use to meet the goal.
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.

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