# Fulton County 4-H News

#### December 2017

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December 30<sup>th</sup> –Citizenship Washington Focus deadline

January 15<sup>th</sup> – Record Book deadline

February 1<sup>st</sup> –High Adventure deadline

February 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>-2018 Arkansas 4-H Volunteer Leaders Conference





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| <u>Club Meeting Info:</u> |                                  |                     |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Bright Future             | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday/Dec 14  | After School        |
|                           | Ruthanne Shepherd                | 870-371-2716        |
| Horse Club                | 1 <sup>st</sup> Monday/Dec 4     | After parade        |
|                           | Shaver's Hardware                | Christmas Party     |
|                           |                                  | 870-895-3461/       |
|                           | Christi Shaver                   | <u>870-371-0660</u> |
| Livestock Club            | TBA                              |                     |
|                           | In Search of Leaders             | 870-895-3301        |
| Outdoor Adventure         |                                  | TBA                 |
|                           | Amy Walling                      | 870-291-2010        |
| Shooting Sports           | TBA                              |                     |
|                           | In Search of Leaders             | 870-895-3301        |
| Spring River Bears        | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday/Dec 13 | After School        |
| Sr's & Jr's               | Laura Gaines                     | 870-625-7261        |
| <u>Cloverbuds</u>         | Sara Nicholson                   | <u>471-274-6144</u> |
| Viola Loyal Longhorns     | 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday/ Dec 5   | After School        |
|                           | Letitia Olson                    | 870-404-1767        |

## Celebrating Birthdays In December + January

| Braden H. | Trenna E.   | Mariah M.             |
|-----------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Daniel L. | Garrett C.  | Aubrey C.             |
|           | Isabella T. | arkansas.4honline.com |

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### <u>CLUB NEWS</u>

#### **BRIGHT FUTURE**



The Bright Future met on November 9<sup>th</sup> with 5 members present. We made a turkey craft for Thanksgiving and the members wrote what they were thankful for on each feather. We also discussed upcoming 4-H events, such as, the 4-H Christmas float in the Salem Parade on Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. We encouraged members to attend. Our next meeting date will be Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Addie will be bringing snacks for our December meeting. We hope to see everyone there.



#### **HORSE CLUB**



The Horse Club finished the riding season with the year's last Road to The Lord Horse Fun Day on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. After a morning of barrels, poles, and cross race; we had a big chili potluck lunch and handed out year-end awards. First place in each age division received buckles, the top three places also scored halters, and most won commemorative tshirts. Thanks again to the church for hosting these events! We are now planning our float for the upcoming Christmas Parade on Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. We will decorate our float on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, in the afternoon at the hardware store. Our club will meet at 5:00 p.m. Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup> to ride in the parade. (Our Horse Show Queens will be featured) We will return to the store to break down the float and have our Christmas party. We will bring new toys and canned food for the needy. We will be having potluck food for our party. For any questions contact Christi at 870-371-0660 or 870-895-3461. We will meet in January around the 9<sup>th</sup> for a pizza party and horse education.

#### **LIVESTOCK CLUB**



Our next meeting is to be announced. This club is in search of leaders, if you know of anyone interested please have them call the Extension Office at 870-895-3301.

#### **OUTDOOR ADVENTURE CLUB**



Outdoor Adventure Club had lots of fun on their Camping/Hiking Trip in November at Indian Rock House Trail. We would love to have more 4-H members to attend. To find out more about our club or if you have any questions, please feel free to call Amy at 870-291-2010 or Brad at 870-895-3301.





#### **VIOLA LOYAL LONGHORNS**



The Viola Loyal Longhorns met on Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, with 13 members present. We were excited to hear Fulton County Extension Agent, Brad Runsick, tell us all about how to take care of and prepare chickens to show. Following this, the business meeting opened with Dacee J. leading the pledge of allegiance, Kevin S. leading the 4-H pledge, and Karson C. leading the Star Spangled Banner. Two groups of volunteers had prepared presentations on farm animals. Kevin S., Kailey H., and Zeke O. provided the group with a great presentation on caring for chickens. Karson C. and Jack M. gave a fabulous presentation on caring for rabbits. Next month we will have a guest speaker on caring for and showing mid-sized farm animals such as goats, sheep, and pigs. Zeke O., Cheyenne H., Kevin S., Dacee J., and Evan S. have volunteered to give a presentation on goats and sheep. Karson C. and Jack M. have volunteered to give one on pigs. We will also have a guest speaker to present on this topic. The Viola Loyal Longhorns have plans to go sing Christmas carols at the Southfork River Therapy and Living nursing home on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> and Kevin S. will bring the snacks. We look forward to seeing you all there!





#### **SPRING RIVER BEARS**



Spring River Bears Sr. Club met on Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. We had 6 members, 2 leaders, and 1 parent at the meeting. Our food booth at Spooktacular raised \$184. Thanks to everyone that brought food and worked the booth. Our community service project for November will be to collect can food and other nonperishable food items for the Mammoth Spring Food Pantry. Our December meeting will be our Christmas Party/Scavenger Hunt. We will meet immediately after school at Simmons Bank community room and begin our scavenger hunt from there. December 9<sup>th</sup> will be the Mammoth Spring Extravaganza. 4-H will do our cookies with Santa for St. Jude. Pictures with Santa are \$5 each. Last year we raised \$500 for St. Jude. We will be set up in the lobby of Simmons Bank. All of the Mammoth Spring Clubs will not have a January meeting. Community service for January will be announced at a later date. Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas!!



#### SALEM PARADE

The Salem Christmas Parade will be **Monday, December 4**<sup>th</sup> at 6:00p.m. The floats will lineup at 5:30p.m. at Preacher Roe Park. Ms. Tracey would like to have a <u>county</u> 4-H float this year. Anyone wanting to ride is welcome. If interested in decorating, please contact Ms. Tracey at 870-895-3301. We will be decorating on the day of



parade at 3:30 p.m. at Preacher Roe Park. Please encourage your 4-H members to decorate and participate!



The dates for the CWF program are **July 7-14, 2018**. <u>Delegates must be 14 years of age by **January 1, 2018**. The cost for youth is **\$1,200**. Two Extension Staff members and two adult volunteers will serve as chaperones. The cost for adult volunteer chaperones is \$600.00. All applications via 4-H Online are due December 30, 2017. Complete payment is due by **January 19, 2018**. We need at least **40 youth to participate in C.W.F!** The registration fee will cover program costs at the National 4-H Center, transportation, state's night out, delegation photo, CWF shirt, and CWF souvenir pack includes backpack, water pouch and sunglasses. Transportation will be by chartered bus to and from Washington, D.C. departing from the State Extension Office, Little Rock. Delegates will need at least \$150 in spending money for additional meals, snacks, and souvenirs.</u>



#### **ARKANSAS 4-H RECORD BOOKS**

It's time for 4-H'ers to be thinking about preparing their 4-H Record Books. This year, record books are due at the county level on January 15<sup>th</sup>. For more information, call the Extension Office.

#### HIGH ADVENTURE

High Adventure will be July 29 – August 5, 2018. You will canoe the boundary waters on the Minnesota-Canadian Borders. The cost is \$700.(no refunds) Registration is open until February 1<sup>st</sup> through 4-H Online. Spaces are limited to 30 youth ages 13-19 years old. Campers and Adults attending are required to attend trainings on March 3 & April 20-22<sup>nd</sup> at the AR 4-H Center.



**2018 ARKANSAS 4-H VOLUNTEER LEADERS CONFERENCE** 

The State 4-H Staff is excited to announce the 2018 Arkansas 4-H Volunteer Leaders Conference. This year's event will be held Friday and Saturday February 23 and 24 at the 4-H Center. Registration can be for one day or both days, and registration will include lodging. Friday's event will be held by the Arkansas 4-H Adult Volunteer Leader's Association, where they will host a silent and live auction, a business meeting, officer elections, and fun shops for 4-H'ers. On Saturday, the 4-H staff will teach lessons about areas such as outdoor activities, volunteer recruitment, event preparation and management, service learning, working with children with different abilities, and many more! Please encourage the volunteers in your county to attend this event! The state staff is very excited to introduce energy and innovation into this conference, and we hope to see plenty of 4-H volunteers, both old and new. We hope to see this flyer circulating around your various social media accounts, and we look forward to seeing everyone in February! Registration is now open and can be completed at arkansas.4honline.com.



Please make note! Our office will be closed December 22<sup>th</sup> – January 2. There will be <u>NO</u> newsletter mailed in December. The next newsletter will be mailed in February!



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Wishing You A Happy Holiday From the Extension Office! Malinda, Brad, Tracey, Jamie, and Brenda

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