



CLOVER CREWS NEWS

February/March 2023

Successful BBQ Bowl

After two long years of Covid we were finally able to host our annual BBQ Bowl fundraiser again. We would like to say “Thank You” to everyone that helped make this event a great success again this year. All money raised goes to the Howard County 4-H Foundation to support programming and travel for Howard County 4-H. We are already looking forward to next year and hope that it continues to grow each year.



Temporary 4-H Registration Access

If you have not signed up through our temporary 4-H registration webpage, please do so as soon as possible. Camps and other important and fun activities are going to start happening and this is one way we can be sure and get you all the information you need to be able to attend. If you need help signing up come by the office and we will be happy to help you. This is the link: <https://bit.ly/3JVjHGR>.

Howard County BB Gun Competition

Howard County had 11 youth participate in the State 4-H BB Gun competition the last of January. All those that competed represented Howard County very well. If you are interested in joining the Howard County 4-H Sharp Shooters Club, contact the office and let Mrs. Samantha know and she will be happy to help you get started. The club has monthly meetings and attends practices on a regular basis. If you are new to shooting, no worries, this club is a great place to start.



Bread and Cookie Contest

On February 21, we held our yearly bread and cookie contest at the EH center. This event is always a fun time for our youth. There are many different divisions for youth to enter and bring goodies for everyone to try.

Congratulations to all out 4-Her's that participated in the Bread and Cookie Contest!!! Everything smelled, looked, and tasted so good.

Drop Cookies

Cloverbuds: 1st – Ember Boyce, 2nd – Sierra Chancellor, 3rd – Eli Chancellor, 4th – Rustin Bagley, 5th – Sawyer Young.

Juniors: 1st – Payeton Bagley, 2nd – Brayden Worthen, 3rd – Guy Cooper Kroll, 4th – Connor Bagley, 5th Lily Trombley

Seniors: 1st – Anna Kate McKinnon, 2nd – Sarah Lamb

Bar Cookies

Juniors: 1st – Guy Cooper Kroll

Cookies Made from Mix

Cloverbud: 1st – Grant Boyce

Cornbread

Cloverbud: 1st – Liam Ewing

Specialty Breads

Cloverbuds: 1st – Sofia Cortez, 2nd – Ember Boyce

Juniors: 1st – Emmie Trombley, 2nd – Brayden Worthen, 3rd - Connor Bagley

Seniors: 1st – Sarah Lamb

Muffins

Cloverbuds: 1st – Liam Ewing, 2nd – Grant Boyce, 3rd – Rustin Bagley

Juniors: 1st – Payeton Bagley, 2nd – Brayden Worthen, 3rd Connor Bagley

Seniors: 1st – Anna Kate McKinnon

Yeast Breads

Juniors: 1st – Payeton Bagley

Seniors: 1st – Christian Trombley

Best of Show

Cloverbuds - Ember Boyce

Juniors - Emmie Trombley

Seniors – Anna Kate McKinnon



We would also like to thank the Howard County EHC ladies for judging the contest this year!!! They are always willing to help and do a wonderful job.

Mid-South 4-H Food Challenge

Howard County 4-H had two teams invited to compete this year at the Mid-South Food Challenge in

Memphis, Tennessee. “Senior with Spatulas” – Sarah Lamb, Christian Trombley, and Anna Kate McKinnon and junior team “Howard County Food Choppers” – Abi Webb, Asher Howard, and Aiden Howard. These youth have been practicing for a month to prepare for this event and we know they will do an excellent job. It will not be long, and we will start practicing for the Arkansas Food Challenge Competition. If you are interested in joining a Food Challenge team, contact the office at 870-845-7517, and let Mrs. Samantha know. Results for the Mid-South



Competition were: “Seniors with Spatulas” – 2nd place, and “Howard County Food Choppers” – 8th place.

4-H Day at the Capitol

This is a great yearly event that is finally back for 4-H youth to be able to attend. Youth ages 13-19 attend an event that is held at the State Capitol where they get to meet their State Representatives and House Representatives, sit in the rotunda while there is a session going on and get an authentic experience of what it is like to be at the capitol. Youth share their stories about 4-H with the Representatives and how 4-H has impacted their lives. We would like to thank Sarah Lamb, Anna Kate McKinnon, Abi Webb, Christian Trombley and Lily Trombley for attending this year and being great representatives for Howard County.

SeaPerch Competition

Howard County has 4 teams attending the Regional SeaPerch Challenge competition on Friday, March 3, in Little Rock. We are excited and proud of all four teams and know that they are going to represent Howard County 4-H great!!! Good Luck!!!

EHC Yard Sale

Extension Homemakers are having a yard sale Friday, March 3, and Saturday March 4, at the EH Center. If you have any items, you would like to donate please bring them by before the yard sale. This is a wonderful way to help raise money to support The Extension Homemakers. Call the office if you have any questions about what can or may not be brought.



Record Books

Record Books where due the end of January and this year we are excited that we had 14 beginner, intermediate, and senior level record books submitted. Record books are an overview of the 4-Hers work that he or she has done over the last year. These are not an easy task to complete and look forward to next year and increasing our numbers submitted. Cloverbud record books are due to the office by March 6 at the end of the day. Cloverbud age is 5-8 years old.

County-Wide 4-H Club Meeting

There will be a County-Wide Club Meeting, Monday March 6, at 3:30 at the EH Center. This meeting is for all Howard County 4-Her's or those that might want to join 4-H. this is replacing the Cloverbud Club so be sure and attend if you were part of the Cloverbud Club!!! We are going to plan programs for the rest of the year.



Poultry Chain Chick Deadline

It is that time of year again. If you are interested in ordering poultry chain chicks this year you must get your orders into the office before March 13. Money must be paid to the office before the birds are ordered. If you have ordered in the past the birds, this year will

be different than they have the last few years. Office number is 870-845-7517. Birds will be 15 Lohmann White Pullets and each set is \$25.00 per set. Cockerels can be ordered for \$1.00 per bird but are limited to 5 per pullet set.

County-Wide BBQ Contest/Workshop

Friday, March 17, we will be having our annual county wide BBQ Contest Workshop. This is always a fun event that youth get to learn to BBQ and then eat after. All ages are invited to participate. Cloverbud are required to have an adult help them. We will supply the meat and youth need to bring a grill, BBQ cooking supplies, and seasoning. Please call the office by Monday, March 13, to RSVP for this competition. We will start the competition/workshop at 4:30 that evening. If you cannot make it by then and would like to attend, please let Mrs. Samantha know and we can make the needed arrangements. We do have a few grills available. If you need one those, it will be first come, first serve. Siblings can also share. Watch Facebook for more information to come about this upcoming contest.



Archeology Day at Grandview

4-H Day of Archeology will be held on March 21st, 2023, at Grandview Prairie between the hours of 10 AM until 2 PM.

Archeology is a science that occurs both in the field and in the lab. This year, 4-H will explore the history of Grand View Prairie and Historic Washington. From the Caddo culture to Civil War history, we will explore the rich history of SW Arkansas during this Day of Archeology. Check out how archeology is used to preserve our past and learn about the tools of the trade at this day camp. Youth will learn to categorize artifacts, interpret a site, and tour the state park as we learn about our past. Call Mrs. Samantha at our office (870-845-7517) to save your spot!!!!



Dairy Foods Contest

The Dairy Food Contest is scheduled for Monday, March 27, at 6:00. Letters will be going out in the mail the first of March. This contest is open to youth ages 5-19 and always is a lot of fun. Be watching your mail and Facebook for more information about this upcoming event.

4-Banquet

This year's banquet is scheduled for Friday, March 31. If you turned in a record book or plan on turning in a Cloverbud record book you will get an invitation to this year's banquet. More details will be out soon but go ahead and get this date on your calendar.

County O'Rama

This year we will have our County Indoor O'Rama on Monday April 3 at the EH Center at 3:30 and Outdoor O'Rama on Thursday April 3 at the Ronny Woods Pavilion at 3:30.

The 4-H O-Rama program is the culmination of a 4-H member's year of hard work and dedication. It is designed to supplement the county 4-H program and project work. Each year contests are held on the county, district, and state level. 4-H O-Rama consists of approximately 40 competitive events. Most of these contests require each individual or team to qualify at the county and district level. Arkansas (State) 4-H O-Rama also offers state-only contests. During State 4-H O-Rama, 4-H members and adults can participate educational workshops & tours offered throughout the event.

Ross Photography

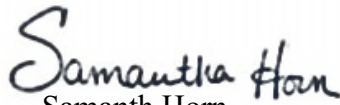
This contest is for youth ages 9-19. At the county level, each 4-H member may enter two color photographs (one must be in the living category, and one must be in the non-living category - if two are entered) and two black-and-white photographs (one must be in the living category and one must be in the non-living category, if two are entered). Four county winners are selected from those entries, one in each category – these will be submitted to the state level. County submissions must be submitted to Mrs. Samantha by email at shorn@uada.edu on April 7 so they can be judged and then sent on to the State competition.

Photographs entered in the Ross Foundation 4-H Photography Contest MUST be of scenes or subjects in Arkansas. All winners will be submitted digitally at this link. No mailed entries will be considered or returned. Digital cameras should be set at the highest resolution. The photo may be enhanced to improve quality - and you may change a color image into black and white. Plant life (flowers, trees, bushes) are considered non-living for this contest.



*All dates and/or times for events may be changed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Samantha Horn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Samanth Horn
County Extension Agent – 4-H

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