

# EH NEWSLETTER

June 2023

# **AEHC State Meeting**

Two Howard County EHC members attended the recent AEHC State meeting in North Little Rock. The annual meeting used the theme "New Friends & Old, Together We Grow." Joy Barr and Laura Dupree along with agent Jean Ince attend the meeting. The group participated in several educational workshops, renewed friendships with members from across the state, and participated in an awards ceremony.

Highlight of the meeting included guest speaker, Kat Robinson author of several books journaling great foods of Arkansas. Her "Dairy Barns of Arkansas" has been featured on Arkansas PBS. At the meeting, she spoke on her adventures of Arkansas Pies and how you can get a slice of the pie by expecting the unexpected.

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Do you use online banking services? Is it safe? While online banking is convenient and makes record keeping, transactions, bill paying easier, there are some things you need to do to keep your information safe. This month's leader training lesson on technology will focus on banking services online. The training is scheduled for **Tuesday**, **June 27 at 10:00 a.m**. at the Howard County EHC Educational Center in Nashville.



The training will cover how to set up online banking, how to complete transactions, plus look at tips to stay safe. All financial management leaders are encouraged to attend. Any EHC member may attend.

# **June Board Meeting**

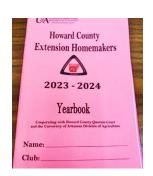
The June Howard County EHC Board Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday**, **June 27 at 11:00 a.m**. at the EH Center in Nashville after the leader training lesson. Several items are on the agenda including:

- Update for AEHC State Meeting
- Yearbooks and dues
- County Fair Judging
- Workshops
- Much more!

All council officers are expected to attend including club presidents or their representative. Any member may attend, but only voting members will be allowed to vote.

## Yearbooks Are Ready!

The 2023-2024 EHC Yearbooks are ready at the office. They will also be available for pick up at the board meeting. Please submit annual dues to the treasurer, Dana Newberg, for your club and members at this time. There are lots of great programs planned for the coming year!



# **Club Reports**

You should be thinking about turning in your club reports and score sheets now. Due date for reports is **September 1, 2023**.

#### **Quilt/Crochet Day**

The quilting and crochet group will meet on June 30 at 9:00 a.m. at the Howard County EHC Center. Participants are encouraged to bring a project to work on. No new projects will be offered this month. Bring your lunch, supplies, and come enjoy the fun!

In conjunction with the quilt day, 4-H youth will be holding a sewing workshop June 28-30. They will be making a quilt and/or pajama shorts/pants. Help is needed for each day. If you would like to volunteer to help a young person sew, please let Jean know.



# Jelly and Jam Workshop

A jelly and jam workshop has been scheduled for **Tuesday**, **July 18 at 9:00 a.m**. Participants will learn through hands on training how to make delicious jams and jelly using approved

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A registration fee of \$10.00 will be charged to cover program costs. All participants will take home finished products. If you are interested in participating in this workshop, you **must** pre-register by **July 14**. Please call the office at 870-845-7517 to register,



# **County Fair Judges Are Needed!**

It's that time again! Time to start planning for County Fairs. Several counties are asking for judges in their home arts divisions. If you would like to judge, please let Jean know as soon as possible. Counties include:

- Miller
- Pike
- Sevier
- Little River
- Ouachita

More information including dates will be discussed at board meeting.



## **Howard County Fair**

The Howard County Fair is scheduled for **September 5-9**. **Volunteers are needed for the home arts entries on Tuesday, September 5. Judging day will be September 6.** If you are interested in volunteering on either or both of these days, please let Jean know. Several have volunteered for years and are experts, but there is always room for more!

All Extension Homemaker clubs are encouraged to have an educational booth at the fair. Please let the office know your club is working on one so a space can be reserved for you!

Now is the time to start thinking about entries for the fair. Canning season is well underway. Consider saving a jar or two of preserved produce to enter. Several workshops have been held throughout the year, so you probably have two or more items to enter. I do expect to see lots of quilts and crocheted items at the fair! Be on the lookout for more information as the fair draws closer!

Sincerely, Jean a. Ince

Jean A. Ince

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