

# EH NEWSLETTER

May 2022

## New Agriculture Agent in Howard County

Join me in welcoming Dawson Bailey, County Extension Agent-Agriculture in Howard County. Dawson began his work here on May 2 and has hit the ground running! We are very excited to have him join our team! You can contact him at [dbailey@uada.edu](mailto:dbailey@uada.edu) or at the office 870-845-7517.



## “EHC – What’s All the Buzz About?”

The Spring Council Meeting was held on Thursday, May 5. Despite the rainy weather, the turnout was great, and a great program was planned and presented. Some of the highlights included:



Samantha Horn – 4-H Agent and Dawson Bailey – Ag Agent presented a program on attracting pollinators. They showed what plants are needed to added to your garden to attract bees and butterflies.

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**Jean A. Ince –  
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**Samantha Horn –  
CEA-4-H**

**Dawson Bailey  
CEA – Agriculture**

**Deb Kreul –  
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Specialist III**

Deb and Glen Semmler shared how to set up a beehive and harvest honey.



Julio Fuentes taught members how to access LIBBY, an online book service through the local library system.

## 2022-2024 Council Officers



The Howard County Extension Homemakers Council officers for 2022-2024 are Tina Conzel-President, Edith Delony-Vice President, Corliss Lewis-Secretary, Dana Newberg-Treasurer and Gladine Bennett-Past President. Officers were installed at the recent Spring Council meeting.

## Yearbook Committee Meeting

The Yearbook Committee will meet on Friday, May 20 at 9:00 a.m., at the EHC Center to plan educational programs for 2022-2023 leader training lessons. Those serving on the committee include Tina, Gladine, Edith, and Joy. If you have suggestions for programs, please let the office or one of the committee members know.

## May Board Meeting

It was voted to hold the board meeting immediately following the leader training at the April meeting. Due to holding this month's leader training at the park, the board meeting will start at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 24. Immediately following the board meeting, the leader training lesson will be conducted.

Items on the agenda include:

- Yearbook
- AEHC meeting
- Member Dues and Reports
- Community Service Projects
- Plus, much more

All council officers, subject matter chairs, and club presidents are encouraged to attend. Any member may attend, but only voting members may vote.

## Outdoor Entertaining

Spring and early Summer are perfect for entertaining outside. Whether it is at the lake or in your backyard, nothing beats enjoying a meal outside with family and friends. This month's leader training, "Outdoor Entertaining", will be held on Tuesday, May 24 at 11:00 (approximately). The training will be held at the Playground Pavilion in the Nashville City Park.

Each club is asked to decorate at least one table with a picnic theme. In addition, clubs should bring one outdoor game to teach.

Hot dogs, chips and drinks will be provided by the council. This will be a fun, relaxing training that all members may attend. Be sure to mark your calendar! In the event of bad weather, the training will move indoors at the EHC Center.

## Crochet & Quilt Day

May 27 has been scheduled as the quilt/crochet day for this month. This Friday is the beginning of the Memorial Day holiday weekend. Attendance may be low. Therefore, I am asking for those interested in attending to please let the office know by calling 870-845-7517. It will be cancelled for May if no interest is shown.

Gladine Bennett instructs Laura Dupree and Brenda Ferguson in basic crochet. Once the group has learned to crochet, they will be making projects for at home Hospice patients.



## Dressed Up for Dinner – Community Service Project

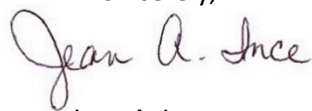
Veterans who are residents of long-term care facilities sometimes have difficulty feeding themselves due to physical impairments. Using men's dress shirts and making a protective covering allows them to maintain dignity while eating.

These protective coverings are easy to make and allows veterans to get “dressed up” for mealtimes. This would be a great project for Extension Homemakers to participate in. For a copy of the pattern and supplies to make the coverings, contact the office. I will be glad to share the pattern with you. We even have some shirts to help you begin. All coverings will be donated to the North Little Rock Veteran's Long-term Care Facility.



**\*\*Note: All meetings and activities will follow current Covid guidelines. Mask wearing and social distancing will be encouraged. Please stay safe out there!**

Sincerely,

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

Jean A. Ince

County Extension Agent - Staff Chair

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