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4-H POULTRY CHAIN PICK UP APRIL 11TH STARTING AT 2:00 PM

4-H Poultry Chain Pick up is April 11

The "chicks" will be at the office around 2:00 pm. Have all your chick equipment ready because they will need to go to their heated area with fresh food and water.

4-H Sewing Club for County Members

The next sewing date is April 12, 2023. Please send your child with their Quilt of Valor. It doesn't matter what has been done just send it and we are here to help. The April project is ready to be sewn at the office as well.

The May date for sewing club is Mary 10th 3:30- 5:00.

A "new" to us embroidery machine has been donated to the sewing club! A special shout out to our great community full of amazing folks. Just as soon as Ms. Julie and I have figured this little gem out the members will have another great tool to use!



Pioneer Day

4-H Leaders and Parents the Annual Pioneer Day Parade. Start thinking about how you and your 4-H members can make this another exciting event. Volunteers will be needed to pull trailers, decorate, purchase a few items for the floats. Put your thinking caps on because it takes a village or volunteers to pull this fun day off. Each club needs to come up with a vehicle and trailer to build/design/showcase their club on. Always great to have those "Mom Buggies" to decorate as well. A planning session has been set for April 13, 2023. The location for float planning session is Izard County Extension Office at 4:30 pm. Thank you to all who plan to participate in the float convoy. Remember the convoy is to represent the entire group of clubs. This is our moment to show up, show out and be showcased as amazing!

The lineup will be the same as last year. Vehicles with trailers will need to be lined up by 8:30 am to ensure we are on the first road for line up (men start your engines and get those places secure)

Parents will need to decorate before parade as good as this group is hopefully start decorating at 9:00 am. Children arrive at the latest by 10:30 to get on the floats, or they can help decorate whatever you parents decide is best for your child.

The ending location will be the parking lot at Bearkatz Academy. Have a vehicle/ buggy/ pick up person there to pick up adults or children because as soon as this float convoy get through town we will tear down and move out again.

POP Tab Collection

Pop Tabs are collected throughout the year and the County Agents take the Pop tabs to the Ronald McDonald House at various times. By the 4-H members collecting and donating tabs this is just a small community service to the Children's Hospital that we do.

Izard County 4-H Day Camp

June 2, 2023 at the Izard County Fairgrounds. The day is shaping up with several fun activities in the work. The event will begin early with several group rotations and activities.

Blanchard Spring Outdoor Skill Day

This event has been set for June 12, 2023 at the Blanchard Spring Pavilion. More details to follow as the Agents complete the day event. Small teaser..... Four hands on activities have been set, grilling menu planned and a tour of the cave has been established. Prices for event will come at later date once final plans approved. The event will start at 9:00 am. So far this is shaping up to be a great hands on skill day for the children.

Ross Photography Winners Announced

Cloverbud Division

Black and White Living 1st Emmarie Kinion 2nd Emmett Weston

Black and White Non Living

1st Emmarie Kinion 2nd Emmett Weston

Colored Living

1st Emmarie Kinion 2nd Emmett Weston

Colored Non-Living

1st Emmarie Kinion 2nd Emmett Weston

Junior and Senior Division

Black and White Living

1st Addysyn Kinion 2nd John David Daigle 3rd Sydney Knapp

Black and White Non-Living

1st Shelbie K 2nd John David Daigle 3rd Chloe Coleman

Colored Living

1st Chloe Coleman 2nd Addysyn Kinion 3rd John David Daigle

Coloring Non-Living

1st Addysyn Kinion 2nd John David Daigle 3rd Isabella Bray

Rice is Nice Contest, Dairy Contest and Broiler BBQ Cooking Contest

What an amazing turn out on these contests. Thank you to all who participated. The turnout this year was amazing, the food was delicious the presentations were great. I am looking forward to seeing next years recipes and presentations because these children blew this contest out of the water! Way to go 4-H members.

Rice is Nice Contest

Aubrey Gould -Overall best Rice Presentation Rice Main Dish Chloe Coleman- 1st place Rice Main Dish Isabella Bray- 2nd place Rice Main Dish John David Daigle 3rd place Rice Main Dish Rice Party Dish John David Daigle – 1st place Rice Party Dish Aubrey Gould- 2nd place Rice Party Dish Jeffrey Russell- 3rd place Party Dish

Dairy Contest

John David Daigle- Overall best Dairy Presentation Dairy Main Dish Chloe Coleman- 1st place Dairy Main Dish John David Daigle- 2nd place Dairy Main Dish Aubrey Gould- 3rd place Dairy Main Dish Dairy Party Dish John David Daigle – 1st Dairy Party Dish Aubrey Gould – 2nd Dairy Party Dish Jeffrey Russell – 3rd Dairy Party Dish

The Broiler BBQ Contest was conducted on date. The BBQ contestant must be able to demonstrate, fire safety with charcoal, food safety, texture/taste of finished meat and work area presentation. Broiler BBQ Contest

Jackson Russell - 1st place Broiler BBQ

Kiddos bring a friend to your club meeting and encourage them to join 4-H. As always feel free to contact the office staff for any 4-H questions. 870.368.4323.