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IZARD COUNTY FAIR



The 2023 Izard County Fair has come to an end and this year was spectacular! The 4-H participation was certainly showcased. Arts and Crafts, Cooking Competitions, STEM competitions and Livestock entries were entered by several of our club members. The support that all the families are giving to these growing 4-H members is obvious by the amazing talent that was shown. Our office staff is looking forward to seeing each of you grow in your project areas for next year.





4-H INFORMATION

4-H POULTRY CHAIN

The 4-H Poultry Chain has been a staple for years in the 4-H project area. Many children started their 4-H journey with some backyard poultry. This year the program has several participants and the enthusiasm of the members and families was appreciated. This year the top five poultry pens include Emmarie, Addysyn, Eli, Makaelyn and Rylee



4-H ADVISOR EXCELLED AT LIVESTOCK SHOW

This year I was nominated by a group of dedicated 4-H members to show livestock. These young ladies enrolled me in the cattle showmanship. The category was "anything but a show stick"!

I was very fortunate that the gentle soul they brought me to show was like ole Ferdinand and followed by flower bouquet!

One simple rule - keep a spare wild outfit you can throw together when your 4 -H members ask "how good of a sport are you"?

My showmanship skills or my over-the-top outfit won me the competition and I am certainly grateful these young ladies "bet on me".



4-H INFORMATION

4-H Banquet

The 2023 Banquet has been set for October 10, 2023. The event will be held at Ozarka College Student Service Center. Various awards and presentations will be given out to 4-H members. An evening meal will be graciously provided and by North Arkansas Electric Cooperative Service. You must pre register your 4-H member and family that will be attending as a head count is needed for the meal. Call the Izard County Cooperative Extension Office to get registered. The number is 870-368-4323

Record Book Workshop

This year the record book workshop will be held on October 18th. The time for this event is 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm. Bring your information, pictures and all information to start assembly of your record book. If you have a laptop to work on bring that with you as well if you can. Record books show the growth in your project area. these books are also designed to make you eligible for award recognition and possible scholarships for college.

Community Service

ICARE is in great need of dog and cat food. the need to care for the animals who have been left out in the community has been accepted by the ICARE organization for years. With the support of our community we can assist ICARE during these struggling times. Please bring your donation of food to the Izard County Extension Office by November 3rd. Any size of bagged food is accepted. If you want to bring multiple bags that is great as well. Community service is one of the focal points of all 4-H project areas. This quarter Izard County 4-H clubs are bring offered the opportunity to participate in this food drive for the animals community service award that will go toward your achievement award.

4-H Sewing Club

Sewing club will tentative resume in January! 4-H Sewing club members please get your quilt of valor paperwork returned to the office by October 1st. If you do not have a veteran let Elizabeth know as a list of local veterans has been provided to the office by the Izard County Veterans Office. The quilt ceremony will be November 9th at Ozarka College. The ceremony will be at 5:30 pm. Light finger foods will be served at this event. Sunday clothing is the appropriate attire for this wonderful event.