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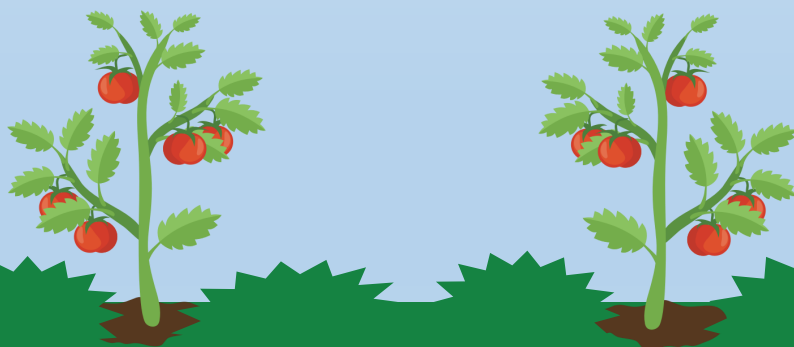
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JUNIOR MASTER GARDENERS
 NEW OPPORTUNITY IN SALINE COUNTY 4-H

Junior Master Gardeners is an innovative 4-H gardening program that engages youth, families, schools and communities through gardening and nutrition education. The program’s mission is to grow good kids by igniting a passion for learning, success, and service through gardening!

Saline County 4-H will be starting a Junior Master Gardener program in 2021, and is now taking sign-ups for interested 4-H families. The projects will include hands-on group and individual learning, nutrition education, gardening experience, cooking instruction, and community service based projects. Please contact the Saline County Extension Office at 501-303-5672 or e-mail mmaulden@uada.edu if you are interested in signing up your child or being a volunteer leader for this program.

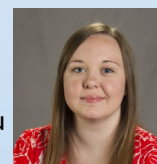


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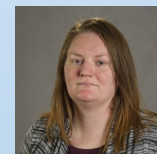
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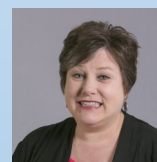
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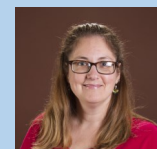
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To place your order for 2021 Arkansas Poultry Chain chicks, please contact the Saline County Extension Office

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POULTRY CHAIN ORDERS

Reminder that March 5th is the deadline to order your 2021 Arkansas Poultry Chain chicks! The Poultry Chain project offers a fantastic opportunity for 4-H youth to learn about bird husbandry, healthy production, biosecurity and/or small business management. The fee to enroll is \$12.50 per participant, and each project order will receive up to 20 female chicks (Hyline Brown). Roosters will also be available for purchase at \$0.50 each. **4-H youth must return one pen of three pullets to the 2021 Saline County Fair in September to be auctioned off**, and proceeds from the auction will be returned to the 4-H Foundation to fund future 4-H poultry projects.

Poultry chain orders should be made through the Saline County Extension Office by **FRIDAY, MARCH 5TH**. Chicks are expected to be delivered on April 16th. Please contact our office at 501-303-5672 or e-mail mmaulden@uada.edu if you have questions.

ROSS PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Every year, the Ross Photography Contest offers an opportunity for Arkansas 4-H'ers to demonstrate, compete, and exhibit their photography skills. All 4-H members ages 9-19 are eligible for the state contest, and 4-H youth of any age may compete in the county contest. Participants may enter one original photo into each category (total of four photos) for their county contest, and county winners will advance to state. Cloverbuds will not be judged, but are encouraged to participate at the county level. **Deadline for submission is March 26, 2021**. Categories include: Color Living, Color Nonliving, Black and White Living, Black and White Nonliving.



Photo credit: Brianna Moore, Saline County 4-H member. First Place—Color Nonliving category, County Contest 2020.

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AR Statewide 4-H OPPORTUNITIES

Get involved with statewide 4-H opportunities by following the Arkansas 4-H Facebook page, and by checking out the information below!

4-H POSTER CONTEST

DEADLINE APRIL 30, 2021

The 4-H Poster Contest is open to all 4-H members ages 9-19. Posters will be submitted digitally, but can be in any of the following mediums: ink, crayon, acrylic, charcoal, colored pencil, collage, or digital design. Entries must be an original design that interprets the theme (4-H's Got Talent). You can upload the digital poster or photo of the poster and a brief interpretation of artwork to the following link: <https://forms.gle/P2Tn7NHZgd7bPaJy9>

One poster per 4-H member will be accepted. **Five junior winners** (ages 9-13) & **five senior winners** (ages 14-19) will be selected from across the state to receive a certificate, which will be presented at the District 4-H O-Rama in June. **Deadline for submission is April 30, 2021**—Contact the Saline County Extension Office if you have questions about this contest.



4-H POSTER ART CONTEST

2021 Theme: 4-H's Got Talent!

ARKANSAS DAIRY FOODS CONTEST

SPONSORED BY ARKANSAS FARM BUREAU

The 64th Annual Arkansas Dairy Foods Contest will be conducted virtually for 2021. This annual event is sponsored by Arkansas Farm Bureau and the Arkansas Dairy Cooperative Association. The contest encourages youth to develop or improve upon an existing dairy recipe, and the contest is divided into two categories: Main Dish and Party Ideas. **The deadline for county contest entries is April 2, 2021—and one winner from each category will advance to the state contest in June.**

4-H members ages 9-19 as of January 1, 2021 may enter. Each participant must agree to participate in the virtual state cook-off if his or her recipe is selected for the semifinals, and the dish should not take longer than 3 hours to prepare and cook. Cash prizes will be awarded to winners at the County and State level. **Please submit your entries to mmaulden@uada.edu** or contact the Saline County Extension Office for a complete list of contest rules.



Monthly Leader TIPS

Volunteers are the only way that 4-H can reach youth throughout Arkansas. Our 4-H volunteers bring a diverse set of skills to youth, and their talents and skills contribute to a rounded 4-H learning experience for all members.

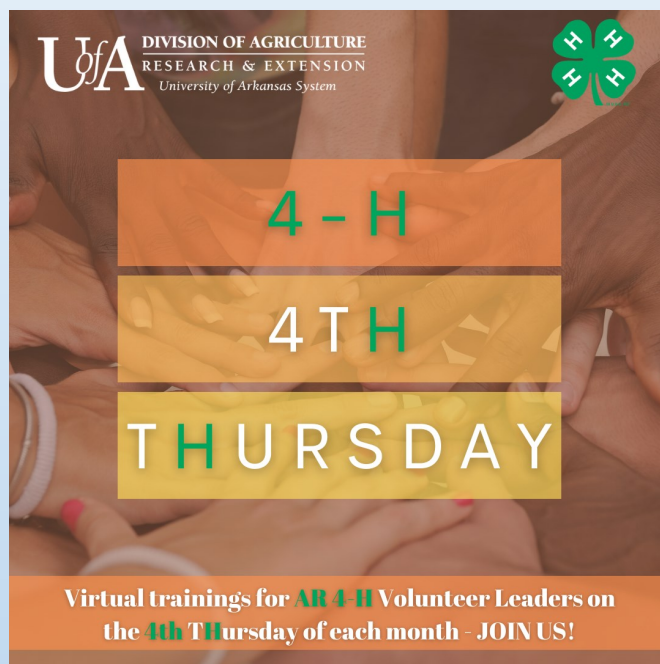
4-H 4TH THURSDAYS: CONTINUED EDUCATION FOR 4-H VOLUNTEERS

At the request of 4-H volunteers who participated in the State 4-H Virtual Conversations, Arkansas 4-H is implementing a new learning opportunity for 4-H volunteers: **4-H 4th Thursdays**. Each 4th Thursday of the month @ 7:00 pm, all volunteers and/or 4-H parents are invited to participate in short continuing education opportunities in positive youth development and working with 4-H youth. February's meeting focused on the Basics of Positive Youth Development and Experiential Learning. The March meeting will take place on March 25th @ 7:00 PM. The Zoom information for future meetings is:

Zoom Link: tinyurl.com/volunteerthursdays

Password: 4H4T

We would like to encourage all current 4-H volunteers, as well as any 4-H parent who has an interest in volunteering in the future to check out these statewide programs! If you have more questions about becoming a volunteer for Saline County 4-H, you can contact the Saline County Extension Office at 501-303-5672 or e-mail mmaulden@uada.edu



To watch any past 4-H conferences and talks that you may have missed, be sure to check out the Arkansas 4-H YouTube Playlists at:

tinyurl.com/ar4hyoutube

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SALINE COUNTY 4-H WINNERS

Junior 4-H Member of the Year:

Emily Rhodes—Paron Pride Club

Senior 4-H Member of the Year:

Ethan Keller—Paron Pride, Teen Leaders Club

4-H Club of the Year:

Bryant Science Masters 4-H Club

Salem Superstars 4-H Club

Volunteer of the Year:

Mollie Wright—Saline County Livestock Club

Keep up with us!

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