



March/April 2020

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Ouachita District Record Book Winners

We are proud of all the 4-H members who turned in a record book . We know that it is a time consuming and daunting task but this year it paid off for the ones who turned one in. Two Seniors received scholarships to go to Washington D.C. and we had 3 Ouachita District winners in Plant and Soil Science - Kaylee T. in Animal Science— Parker S., and in Enhance Health and Well Being—Caroline C..

Congratulations to all who entered a record book. Job well done.

Poultry Chain

We are scheduled to pick up chicks on April 16, 2020.

I will pick them up in Lonoke and Ms. Glenda will call each participant to let you know what time I am to reach El Dorado. Please make arrangements to pick your chicks up asap and bring a box or a container to put them up in.

Clover Connections

Hats Off to 4-H Awards Banquet

Announcing this years awards banquet. We can't wait to show off all your hard work. Come see what all the Union County 4-H clubs have been up to. We are planning a Mexican buffet and talks from several 4-H'ers about 4-H events they were part of this past year. We are asking each club to help with the meal and the silent auction. Please call the office to add your contributions to the list. Here is a list of dishes and items needed for the buffet: Refried beans, Spanish rice, soft and hard taco shells, tortilla chips, cheese dip, shredded cheese, shredded lettuce, diced tomatoes, guacamole, sour cream, and desserts. Thank you all for your help.

When: May 5, 2020 at 5:30P.M.

Where: U.C. Fairgrounds Activities Building

We Say Good By to Mr. Robin



Mr. Robin retired on February 28,2020. He has been a friend , a boss, an educator, a mentor, and a cheer leader for us for the past 10 years. The Extension office will not be the same without him. He says we can still call if we need him and I feel we all will be getting in touch with him at some time or another. Union County will miss you Mr. Robin but we say **“HAPPY RETIRMENT!!!**

Dates to Remember March

2- Poultry Chain Orders Due
 3- Smackover Club Meeting
 9- U.C. Clovers Meeting
 12- Jr. Master Gardner's Meeting
 13- Norphlet Club Meeting
 16- Teen Star Application Due in to State
 17- Sewing Club Meeting
 18- EBC Club Meeting
 19- Frontier Explores Meeting
 19- Ross Photography Contest Entries Due into Count
 23- 27 Spring Break
 23- Moro Bay meeting at 10:00
 23- P. C. Club Meeting
 24- S. Ark. Museum Of Natural Resources Meeting at 10:00
 27- Giant Water melon and pumpkin seed orders due
 27- Quilted History

April

6- Faircrest Meeting
 7- Smackover Meeting
 10- Good Friday
 12- Easter Sunday
 13- UC Clovers Meeting
 14- Hugh Goodwin Meeting
 15- Achievement Awards Form are Due
 16- County O'RAMA
 18- S.W. District Fair Show in Hope
 21- Sewing Club Meeting
 22- EBC Meeting
 23- JR. Master Gardeners Meeting
 24- 4-H Posters Due (GRIT)
 27- P.C. Club Meeting

May

5- 4-H Awards Banquet



Ross Photography Contest

There are two categories
 Living and Non- Living

And there are two sub categories under the main categories. They are black and white and color. The state considers any color at all on your picture to be a color entry . You need to submit an 8X10 of each entry and a thumb drive with the picture on it to submit it to state. Please have your name, club, county, parents name, phone number and address on the back of picture.

Thank you and Good Luck.

Spring Break Activities

Staying home for Spring Break ? 4-H has a few trips planned around the surrounding areas.

Monday March 23 at 10:00 A.M. Meet the park ranger at the Moro Bay Visitor Center. He will talk to us about reptiles and take us on a nature hike and then off to Ms. Sarah Johnson's camp site for a hot dog lunch. We will finish our day with outdoor activities such as volley ball , chalk, bait casting, over sized connect four, and anything else we find to enjoy the great outdoors.

Tuesday March 24, 2020 meeting at 10:00 A.M. again at the Smackover S. Ark. Museum of Natural Resources. We will enjoy a morning with rangers there and discuss 3-D pens, work on a computer , and enjoy a silent movie. Bring a picnic lunch and we can enjoy the outdoors again at the park.

Friday March 27 and Saturday March 28 we have been invited to attend the Quilted History presentation. It will be held at 2443 Iron Mt Rd. (Please contact me on more information on this activity)

Please call the office at 870-864-1916 to let us know you plan on attending any of the activities listed above.

How to be a Member in Good Standing

To Maintain your 4-H membership is 2020-2021 you must:

- 1.) Enroll in Arkansas 4-H online (if you need help call (870)-864-1916 or ask a certified volunteer Leader.)
- 2.) Attend a minimum of 6 organized club meetings per year with a recognized club in your County.
- 3.) Or attend and participate in a minimum of 6 educational workshops or clinics conducted by Extension Staff and Volunteers Leaders. (Dates to be announced)
- 4.) Follow all rules and regulations set forth in the 4-H Code of Conduct(Members sign when enrolling)

A Certified or Chartered 4-H Club must:

- 1.) Be organized and supervised by a minimum of 2 unrelated certified 4-H Adult Volunteer Leaders. (Leaders are required to attend 4 hours of youth development training each year.)
- 2.) A club must have at least 6 members not of the same immediate family.
- 3.) Have a duly elected set of functioning officers and conduct meetings monthly (as possible) using Roberts Rule of Order and Operate under a set of approved By-Laws (Union County has a set in place.)

Volunteers - 4-H's Best Friend



2020 Adult Volunteer Leader Conference

Thank you ladies for spending your Saturday with me at the 4-H Center learning more about 4-H and activities we can work into our county programs. We took a very short tour of the grounds and then spent all day in class. We attended presentations on “What is your 4-H personality”, Escape rooms, ate lunch in the 4-H centers cafeteria, received a new 4-H guide book, and went over a few Regpack items to help them sign up. I really enjoyed our day and hope you all did.



Ms. Saffold and Saddle enjoying the Chili Supper Fundraiser. Thank you to all 4-H Leaders, members, parents, and community members who helped to support our fundraiser.



Cambry T. And Elizabeth D. helping out at the Chili Supper. We are thankful for our volunteers young and old. Thank you girls.

Volunteers we couldn't do this without YOU!!!

2020 Dairy Foods & Chicken –Que Contest



Main Dish Winner pictured from left to right , 2nd place Hutch J., 3rd place Kaylee T. and 1st place Marie R.



Party Dish Winners pictured left to right, 1st place Elizabeth D. 2nd place Marie R. and 3rd place Kendall K.



Pictured are the 2020 Dairy Foods Contest participants. SO proud of each an everyone who entered the contest.



Kaylee T. competing in the 2020 Chicken Contest.



Alex J. and his Father setting up for his first Chicken-Que.



Lauren M. competing in her last Chicken–Que contest.

**Good Luck Union County 4-H members in the upcoming District and State competitions.
Go Union County!**

What's Union County 4-H been up to? Highlights of 4-H Events



Attendees of the 2020 Officers Training



Jr. Master Gardeners spruce up the Extension Office flower bed. Come by and check out their hard work.



Kendall K. teaches the Smackover club how to decorate cookies for Valentines Day.



2020 Parkers Chapel Club Officers



Faircrest 4-H leading by example.
Graden H. Vice-President, Emma T. Secretary, and Elizabeth D. President



Life long friends are made in 4-H.
Here the Saffolds and the Kellys are keeping busy waiting on the chickens to get done at the 2020 Chicken-Que.



Union County 4-H

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All meetings and activities announced in this newsletter are open to all youth between the ages of 5 and 19 without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, gender, disability, or any other legally protected status. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (large print, audiotapes, etc.) should notify the county Extension office as soon as possible prior to the activity.



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