Ouachita 4-H Clover Gazette
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Jr. Leaders!!

7th-12th graders, come join us **Saturday, January 18, 9AM – 1PM at the 4-H office** as we cook lunch for The Simple Project, play games, & plan our Spring Cereal Wars. At 11:30 we will go to The Simple Project to serve the meal we cook!

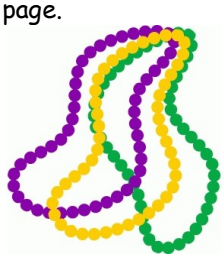
Ouachita 4-H Livestock Team!

Good luck to our Livestock Show Team at the parish, district, & state shows in the next month! **Ouachita Parish 4-H Livestock Show will be January 12, 2025 & the Northeast District Livestock Show will be January 29 – February 1, 2025.**

We Are On Facebook!

Ouachita 4-H is on Facebook! Find us there: **Ouachita 4-H** is our main page & **Ouachita 4-H Shooting Sports** is our Shooting Sports page.

Bead Art Contest!



Let the good times roll by creating an art project with Mardi Gras beads! Use beads to create a colorful picture! Art must be on an 8.5x11 board or backing. There will be 2 judging categories, 4th-6th & 7th-12th grades. Please write your name, grade & school on the back. **Due to the 4-H office by Friday, January 31.**

LA 4-H Citizenship Board Blast Off!

Come & join us at the Louisiana Tech University Davison Athletic Complex, 1524 W Alabama Avenue, Ruston, LA 71270.

- **March 31, 2025, 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM**
- **Fee: $20**
- **Grades 4th-6th**
- **Registration opens February 14 in 4-H Online**

Join the Ouachita 4-H Seaperch Team

For 6th-12th grade members, there are limited spots, you must call (318) 323-2251 or email bcorona@agcenter.lsu.edu to join. Teams will have a Build Day **(January 21, 10am-3pm),** then practice about once each week during February & will compete March 1 &/or March 8. Spots are very limited. There is some flexibility with practice & competition attendance. Email questions to bcorona@agcenter.lsu.edu

Junior Leadership Conference (JLC)



Open to all 4-H members age 14 years & older in grades 8th-12th. **Junior Leadership Conference will be held March 7-9, 2025 at Camp Grant Walker** in Pollock, LA. This year's theme is "Jungle Journey to Leadership". The session choices are: **Scavenging for Citizenship; Conquering Conflict (Resolution); Safari Survival (Life) Skills; & The Hunt for Success (Professionalism).** The registration form will be available on our Facebook Page, Ouachita 4-H. **The Cost is $150. Please make checks payable to Ouachita 4-H. Please mail or drop off registration forms & fees to our office at 704 Cypress Street, West Monroe, LA 71291 by 4:30 PM, Monday, February 3, 2025.**



Mardi Gras Clover Ball

4th-6th grade members, join us for a night of fun & dancing! Come dressed in your ball gown or mask if you'd like! The ball is scheduled for **Friday, January 24, 6-8:30 PM at the 4-H office.** Admission is $10 (free for Krewe of Clovers members). Concessions will cost $2 each. A parent or guardian must come inside to sign youth in & give emergency information, phone number, who is picking them up, etc. Email bcorona@agcenter.lsu.edu with questions. Register with this link: https://forms.office.com/r/bukpzc6bxy

Join the Ouachita 4-H Photography Club



Join us **Sunday, January 12 at 1:00 PM at the Ouachita Parish Livestock Show at the Ike Hamilton Expo Center** (501 Mane St, West Monroe, LA 71292). We will be taking photos of the members showing their animals!

Join our monthly club, led by West Monroe Mayor Staci Mitchell, for hands-on lessons & activities, service projects, & fun! Each month at a new location! Compete in photography contests, portfolios, Art Crawl, & a 4-H art showcase! Participate regularly to earn a photography rewards trip!

Photography Club Registration: $20

Ouachita 4-H Krewe of Clovers

Congratulations to our Krewe of Clovers members on their titles! Thank you for your donations to 4-H. Make sure to come watch their **Coronation February 7** or watch for them in the **Krewe de Riviere Parade February 8!**

2025 NELA Agriculture Photo Contest



- All photos must relate to Agriculture
- Open to all 4-H youth, grades 4-12
- Two Age Divisions:
  - Grades 4th-6th
  - Grades 7th-12th

Categories:

1. **Farm Animals**
2. **Horticulture/Plants/Crops**
3. **Any Other Agriculture**

All photos will be displayed during the Northeast Louisiana District Livestock Show in Delhi, January 30-February 1, 2025. **Photographs are due to the Ouachita 4-H Office no later than 4:30 PM, Friday, January 17, 2025!!**

Questions: Contact Ashley Powell at apowell@agcenter.lsu.edu

Awards:

- First Place $20
- Second Place $15
- Third Place $10

For contest rules, see our webpage:
2025 NELA Agriculture Photography Contest

Ouachita 4-H Zoo Club



Join us **Saturday, January 18, 9 AM – 12 PM** & learn about the world of animals & the Louisiana Wetlands Habitat! Meet the 4-H group at the front gate of the zoo **(1405 Bernstein Park Drive, Monroe).**

Robotics Club

4th-12th graders, join our afterschool Robotics Club using the Lego Spike Prime System. Learn coding, engineering, & compete with other teams! Parent & youth must sign waiver upon arrival.

Beginner club: 4-5 PM **Advanced club: 5-6 PM**

Dates:

January 21	**April 15**
February 18	**May 13**
March 18	**Competition: May 13**

Winter Word Scramble

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NMWNASO _____	OFTRS _____	THA _____
NIGRFZEE _____	WFKSOAENL _____	TCOA _____
TBSOO _____	ARCSF _____	OLVEHS _____
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