

## **Arkansas 4-H Alumni Search**

**To be conducted during National Alumni Month, which is in May**

We are asking 4-H members all across the state to help us search for names and addresses of former 4-H members in order to put together a 4-H Alumni mailing list. Through the mailing list, former 4-H members will be encouraged to join the newly formed Arkansas 4-H Alumni Association. This project has been piloted in several counties and can be the first phase of a six point effort to identify 4-H Alumni in your county.

Hopefully, at a time in the near future, we will be able to form a County Alumni Association to aid, support, and assist the already strong 4-H work being done in your county.

How you can help:

1. Each member that secures at least five names and addresses of former 4-H members will be awarded a state 4-H Alumni Search Committee Certificate for their help as a state committee member.
2. Each member that secures at least ten names and addresses of former 4-H members will receive the state 4-H Alumni Search Committee Certificate with a gold honor seal attached.
3. The club in your county that secures the most names and addresses of former 4-H members will have a state seal and ribbon attached to the state 4-H alumni Search Committee Certificate. This will be both a state and county honor.

Note to Leaders:

1. Check the members' names and addresses as they are turned in to you to prevent any duplications.
2. After a member has completed five or ten names and addresses, you may want to encourage them to help another member complete theirs.
3. Get parents involved in helping your club come up with the names and addresses of former 4-H members.

Each club is to turn in their list of names into the county Extension office, by the last Friday in May. The county reports are due into the state office for processing by the Arkansas 4-H Alumni Association on the last day of May. Please turn in your names and addresses with the member's name written at the top so they can obtain proper credit for their work. Place all individual lists from your club in one big envelope so your club can obtain proper credit.

Each county is requested to make a copy of the lists for their County Alumni Association (or Alumni file) before forwarding the list to the state office. The Arkansas 4-H Alumni Association will send the counties the appropriate number of blank Alumni Search Committee Certificates for presentation during times of special 4-H recognition.