



BEAVER COUNTY OSU COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

The Clover Connection for Beaver County



Black Mesa Range Ecology Academy June 25 - 30, 2006 Society for Range Management Program

Have you always been interested in conservation, biology, plants, wildlife, livestock, outdoors, land improvement - but had nowhere to go to learn but the classroom? You should come to the Black Mesa Range Ecology Academy. This Academy is a weeklong experience where you will learn: Basic ecological principles

Plant identification

Leadership skills

Speaking skills

Teambuilding skills

How to evaluate habitat for wildlife and livestock

How to develop a land management plan

How to incorporate technology such as Global Positioning Satellites and Geographic Information Systems into land management

Eligibility and Location The Academy will feature 10 high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors from each state of Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas and will be based out of Kenton, Oklahoma. This is beautiful country and features terrain and vegetation from the Rocky Mountains and the High Plains. Tours of local ranches, dinosaur tracks, hikes to Black Mesa, and locally prepared food are some of the features. - just a little talking, quite a bit of doing.

Applications must be postmarked by June 12.

Requirements:

Application Form, One letter of reference, One page essay, \$100 Deposit (\$100 balance due upon arrival at camp)

For more information contact the Beaver County Extension Office at 580-625-3464.

Oklahoma Youth Forestry and Wildlife Camp!!

Oklahoma's Youth Forestry and Wildlife Camp is a week-long adventure where students will learn about and gain an appreciation for the natural world. The 2006 Camp is June 5-10 and will be offered at Group Camp 2 in Beavers Bend State Park, located in the heart of the Kiamichi Mountains north of Broken Bow.

Activities:

While enjoying the out-of-doors, campers will explore natural resources and the issues affecting these resources through a series of hands-on programs led by resource professionals. These programs include wildlife management, forest management, stream ecology, fire management, urban forestry and multiple resource management.

Campers:

The co-ed youth camp is open to 11-14 year olds* who have an interest in Oklahoma and its natural environment. To apply to be a counselor you must be 16-19 years old.

Registration and Application:

Registration for the 5 night camp is \$175**and includes all meals, transportation at camp, field trips, and workshops with professional instructors, organized recreational activities, and non-personal supplies necessary for camp activities.

All campers must complete an application process. Only 65 students in Oklahoma will be accepted to forestry camp. For application materials please contact the Beaver County OSU Extension Office by **April 6** at 580-625-3464.



Red Wheel Fundraiser

Please turn in order forms and money for the Red Wheel fundraiser by Wednesday, April 26th. You must pick up your products on Wednesday, May 10th at the Courthouse parking lot at 3:30pm.

Tulsa State Fair Livestock Nominations

Steer Nominations

Thursday, May 11, 2006, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon – Tulsa Stock Yards, Tulsa, OK

Friday, May 12, 2006, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon – OKC West, El Reno

***CHANGE FOR 2006: It is not mandatory for steers to gain 2lbs per day to be eligible for the Junior Livestock Auction; however Rate of Gain will still be displayed on jacket. For the 2006 Tulsa State Fair there will be a Carcass Contest for steers. Only exhibitors who make the JLA will be eligible. Winners will be paid the following: 1st - \$1500, 2nd - \$1000, 3rd - \$750, 4th - \$500, 5th - \$250. Please read rules and regulations.**

Lamb Nominations

Monday, June 26, 2006, 7:00 – 12:00 Noon – Garfield County Fairgrounds, Enid, OK

Tuesday, June 27, 2006, 7:00 – 12:00 Noon – Grady County Fairgrounds, Chickasha, OK

Wednesday, June 28, 2006, 7:00 – 12:00 Noon – Tulsa State Fairgrounds, Tulsa, OK

Goat Nominations

Thursday, July 7, 2006, 7:00 – 12:00 Noon – TBA

Friday, July 8, 2006, 7:00 – 12:00 Noon – Tulsa State Fairgrounds, Tulsa, OK

***CHANGE FOR 2006: The Junior Meat Goat Show will be held October 3 – 6. 10 Wether Meat Goats will make the Junior Livestock Auction. Meat Goats will be stalled in the new Super Barn D. Please read rules and regulations.**

You can find detailed nomination information, nomination forms, and 2006 rules on the Tulsa State Fair website, www.tulsastatefair.com or contact the Beaver County Extension Office at 580-625-3464.

2007 Washington D. C. Trip

The 2007 Washington D. C. Trip has been set for August 5, 2007 to August 11, 2007. We will be seeing several different sites such as the Washington Monument, Smithsonian Museum, Arlington National Cemetery, and much more. In order to sign up for the trip you must submit a \$250 deposit by July 5, 2007. All deposits are not refundable. If you sign up, you will be responsible for the entire cost of the trip which is \$1,600.00, regardless of cancellations. For questions, please call the Beaver County Extension Office at 580-625-3464.

NW DISTRICT INVITATIONAL TRAP SHOOT

The NW District Invitational Trap Shoot is scheduled for Saturday May 6, 2006, North of Enid at the Grand National Quail Club. It is open to all counties with Shotgun certified coaches that have trained youth that meet 4-H Shooting Sports participation guidelines. All 4-H Members must be listed on a Member Certification form signed by educator and certified coach. Educator's signature verifies all listed are current 4-H members, have received required training, and meet all eligibility requirements to participate and compete. If you have questions please contact the Beaver County Extension office at 580-625-3464.

Reminder: Beaver County Hall of Fame/ State Record-books



This is a reminder that to qualify for the Beaver County 4-H Hall of Fame, Sr. members must submit a State Record book in the Year that they apply for the Hall of Fame. State Record Books are due into the Beaver County Extension office by April 17. For more information contact the Beaver County Extension office at 580-625-3464.



4-H Horse Club April Meetings

April 1 and April 8 the horse club will be riding outside in the Beaver County Fairgrounds Rodeo Arena on Saturday from 2pm to 4pm. The horse club will then change to Thursday meetings April 20 and April 27 at the Beaver County Fairgrounds Rodeo Arena from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

For more information contact Debbie Bolinger at 580-625-4987.

4-H Quad County Camp

2006 4-H Quad County Camp will be held at Camp Gibson June 14, 15, and 16. The cost for the camp this year is \$70.00. Camp t-shirts will be provided this year. The theme for camp this year is 4H2O, so we will have a lot of fun doing different water activities this year! Registration for camp is due into the Beaver County Extension Office on May 1, 2006. See your leader for camp forms or contact the Beaver County Extension Office at 580-625-3464.

Officer Retreat!!!

If you plan on running for a county office in 2007 or are currently a 2006 county officer or camp officer, then you need to attend the officer retreat on May 12 and May 13, at the Barth Farm. We will be planning our activities for camp and the craft school, and we will have a lot of fun activities too! Come and join the fun! Transportation is available. We will start at 6:00pm on Friday, May 12 and the retreat will end at 10:30am on Saturday, May 13. **Please register by Wednesday, May 3 by calling the Beaver County Extension Office at 580-625-3464.** For questions or to arrange transportation please call the Beaver County Extension Office at 580-625-3464.



2006 Beaver County Summer Youth Workshops!!!

If you have not yet turned in your Beaver County Summer workshop enrollment form please hurry and do so! Many workshops are nearly filled to capacity. Please return your enrollment forms to the Beaver County Extension Office (not to your school) as soon as possible.



NW District 4-H Horse Show

Entries for the NW District 4-H Horse Show are due into the Beaver County Extension Office by **May 1, 2006**. The show will be held at the Woodward Rodeo Arena at the Woodward County Fairgrounds (north of the grandstand) on June 3, 2006 at 8:45 am. For forms and further information please contact the Beaver County Extension office at 580-625-3464.



Liebling Brothers Circus

On Saturday, April 8, 2006 at the Beaver County Fairgrounds there will be a Big Top Circus. Two performances will be held. The first performance will be 5:30pm to 6:30pm and the second performance will be 7:30pm to 9:00pm. Free tickets are provided for children 14 and under. For more information contact Steve Perry at 580-625-4072.



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4-H Calendar

April 8 - State 4-H Skeet Shoot
8 - Horse Club Meeting, Beaver County Fair grounds 2:00pm
14-Horse Club Meeting, Beaver County Fair grounds, 2:00pm
21-22 - Discovery Unlimited
17 - State 4-H Record books due into Beaver County Extension Office
17 - Beaver County Floral Design Workshop
20 - Horse Club Meeting, Beaver County Fair grounds 6:00pm
26 - Red Wheel Fundraiser Forms Due
26 - Record book and Award Application due by noon into the State 4-H Office
27 - Horse Club Meeting, Beaver County Fair grounds, 6:00pm
28 - Crocheted Flip-Flops
29 - **Great Salt Plains Crystal Festival**

May 2 - Judging of State 4-H Record Books and Award Applications

May 5 - Salt Plains Posters and Projects Workshop
12-13 - Officer Retreat, Mary Chris Barth's House, 6:00pm
13 - State Trap Shoot
23 - Interviews for State Record Book and Award Finalists
24-26 - State 4-H Roundup
31 - CPR/First Aid Workshop

June 1 - Pioneer Days
1 & 2 - Tractor Safety Course
3 - NW District Horse Show
5-10 - State 4-H Forestry Camp
6 - Laundry Bag Workshop
7 - Covered Hanger Workshop
14 - Embroidered Item
14-16 - Leadership Team Retreat
19 - Check Book Money Management Workshop
22-24 - State 4-H Horse Show

July 22 - State Leadership Development Conference

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