

Kingfisher County 4-H News

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MEAT SCIENCE CLUB

Meat Science consists of many educational activities that relate to meat. Through this project area we will go on educational tours, work on Beef and Pork Promotion, and have opportunities to explore Meat Cookery and Meat Judging.

Meat Judging is an event in which 4-Hers learn to identify different cuts of meat, learn the best cookery methods for different cuts of meat and the specie of animal that those cuts come from. After many hours of practice and preparation the judges have the opportunity to compete at county, district, state and national competitions to show their level of expertise.

Do to the timing of the meat judging contests our spring schedule will work primarily with meat judging. The following is a schedule of meat judging activities that

will take place at the Extension Meeting Room (EMR) at 3:30pm – 5:00pm.

January 31 st	Feb 7 th
Feb 14 th	Feb 21 st
March 6 th	March 13 th
March 27 th	April 3 rd
April 10 th	April 11 th

District Meat Contest April 12th

State Meat Contest April 26th



Fashion Revue: Fabric and Fashion

When: Sunday, April 20th at 2:00pm

Where: Fairgrounds Exhibit Building.

Garments Due: Wednesday April 16th by 4:30 p.m. at the Extension Office.

Participants may enter any item listed on the Construction Projects by Level sheet available at the Extension Office, www.kingfisher4-h.org or from your local club leader. **(Be sure to check with the Extension Office or your club leader to see if there are any changes in the Fashion and Fabrics category in the fair book.)** All items that can be worn will be judged for fit and style at the contest April 1st.

Items such as pillow case, travel case, posters, etc. will be displayed.

Cloverbuds can enter the “4-H wear” category: they will choose out of their closets an outfit appropriate for a 4-H activity such as pants, jeans, or skirt and a 4-H shirt or other green or white shirt. Cloverbuds will be asked to say their name and what town, and will model as a group.

Parent Leader Meeting

The Kingfisher County 4-H Parent/Volunteer Leader Council will have their next meeting 6:30pm, February 7th at the OSU Extension Office.

Anyone interested in Making a Difference in the Kingfisher County 4-H program is welcome to attend.

State Record Books

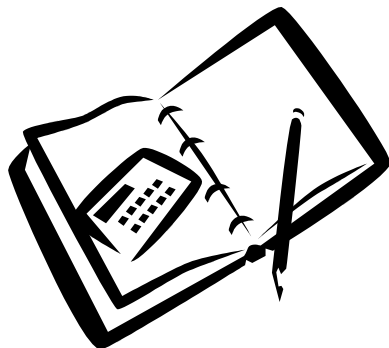
We will be discussing the State Record Books at the Ambassador meeting on January 20th. You need to be 14 years old as of January 1, 2008 in order to do a state record book. These record books take some time and effort and this workshop will give you some insight and ideas on how to begin.

In addition to the program at the Ambassador Meeting I will set up individual consultations with anybody starting or making adjustments on their State Record Book. Call

Steve at 375-3822 to set an appointment. The sooner we start the better prepared we will be.

State Record Books will be due to the County Extension Office on March 7th, 2008. 4-H members should report work done from the time the last record book was turned in through February.

The Oklahoma Report Form is available online at the Oklahoma 4-H Website.



Horse Dates

February 16th: OSU Horse Judging Day. At OSU, the annual instructional day of how to judge horses.

Saturday, April 12th: State 4-H and FFA Horse Judging Contest.

Saturday, April 19th: Although still somewhat a tentative date, State 4-H Horse Communication Contests. Talks, demonstrations, quiz bowl competitions in horse topics will be offered to all ages outside of State 4-H Roundup this year.

State 4-H Horse Show: June 19 through 21, the location will be different this year, the show will be held in Shawnee.

2008 Omniplex Science Camp In

4-H'ers from around the state who like to camp and have an interest in science need to make plans to attend the 2008 Omniplex Camp-In. This year's camp-in will be held February 1-2, 2008, check in will be from 6:00 to 7:00 and check out will be 8:00 am on Saturday morning.

Campers will explore the brand new Omniplex exhibit **Destination Space**. They will learn about the **History of Flight**, campers will build a **Hovercraft**, participate in **Paper-Airplane Competitions**, plus they will design and build their own **Rockets**. Campers will learn how the science of space flight includes, health science, food science, plant science, and textiles, as well as rocket science.

Omniplex Camp-In is for all 4-H members and 4-H Families. The cost is; 4-H Members \$30.00 and Adults \$15.00. Adult chaperones are required.

Registration Forms are **due in County 4-H Office January 14, 2008**.

Call Steve at (405) 375-3822 or go to: <http://oklahoma4h.okstate.edu/scitech/omniplex.htm> for forms and details.

North Central 4-H Volunteer Training

January 19th, 2008 at the Pioneer Technology Center in Ponca City.

Conference 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Registration form and a fee of \$5.00 (lunch fee) **DUE** by January 10th, 2008

Workshops offered:

Internet safety; Food and Fitness; New Aqua Times Program; Parli-Pro; Ease of Video Production; Black-Iron Basics; Whats your risk? Livestock Skill-A-thon Contest/Workshop.

For more information contact Steve.



Citizenship Washington Focus is a 4-H leadership program for high school youth. For seven weeks of the summer, delegations of 15-19 year-olds from across the country attend this 6 day program at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, located just outside Washington, D.C. The program is aimed at enriching young people's lives by broadening their appreciation and respect for themselves and others in the world. Participants attend workshops, committees, field trips and social events, giving them hands-on opportunities to learn and grow. Participants learn and practice skills that will make them better citizens and more successful individuals.

This year's conference is scheduled for June 12-22, 2008. The cost of the conference is \$1175.00 but the Kingfisher 4-H Leaders Council will pay for ½ the cost for County Hall of Fame Winners.

The fees are due to the State Office by February 29th. In order to determine who will be representing Kingfisher County you need to contact me at 375-3822 by February 15th so I can let the candidates know if they are guaranteed spots on the bus or going to be placed on an alternate list.

4-H Horse Volunteer-Leader Conference

On Saturday, January 19, 2008, 9 am to 4 pm on the OSU Campus, Stillwater, a volunteer continuing education opportunity will be conducted for certified 4-H volunteers and parents working with youth in the 4-H Horse project area.

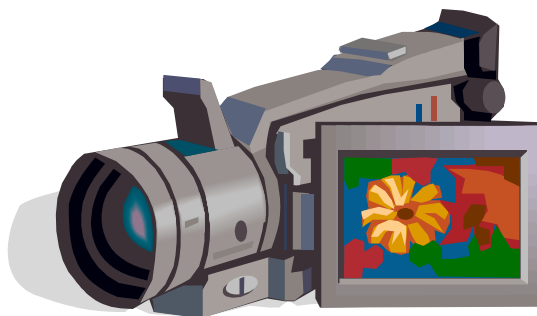
The conference will focus on improving participants' abilities to teach and develop youth through project work, as well as providing specific knowledge matter related to horses.

The \$10 pre-enrollment fee must be received by noon, January 14th. For more information contact Steve 375-3822.

State 4-H Roundup Video and Commercial Production Contest

Entries Due: July 1, 2008 to State 4-H Office

What: Contestants are to develop a video using their choice of music and video production techniques, including, but not limited to, video footage, still photography, computer animation or a combination of techniques. Commercial must be 30 seconds in length. Videos must be 3 to 5 minutes in length. Entries will be judged on creativity, flow of video, topic and presentation. The top 5 commercials and top 2 videos will be shown at State 4-H Roundup. For complete contest guidelines, applications and support resources go to:



http://oklahoma4h.okstate.edu/video_contest.htm

Talks, Extemporaneous, Ill Presentations, PowerPoint and Job Readiness

Due to the weather the 4-H Talks and Extemporaneous Speeches have been rescheduled. We will once again combine the speeches and Illustrated Presentations together. 4-H Talks, Extemporaneous Speeches, Illustrated Presentations, Power Point and Job Readiness Contests will be held on April 13th at 2:00pm in the OSU Extension Office.

These events are broken into the following Age groups:

Cloverbuds – Ages 5-8; 4-H Pledge only

Beginner - Ages 9-10;

Junior - Ages 11-12;

Intermediate - Ages 13-14;

Senior – Ages 15 and older.

Job Readiness is only for intermediate and Senior Divisions.

Ages are based on January 1, 2008.

A 4-H Talk is simply giving a speech without the aid of any additional props.

In an extemporaneous speech you are given the topic of your speech just a few minutes before you actually give your speech.

A PowerPoint Speech should develop and demonstrate public speaking skills using a PowerPoint presentation as an illustration to add emphasis to their presentation.

Illustrated Presentations use props give a presentation of demonstration.

Job Readiness is an event which recognizes members who communicate a personal understanding of and ability to perform specific job requirements through written materials and a job interview. Job Readiness materials will be due to the extension office by 4:30pm April 9th. Contact Steve for more information.

Intermediate and Senior divisions will be judged on their ability to be given at 4-H

Round-up and should follow State Guidelines. A link to state guidelines will be posted on <http://kingfisher4-h.org> or you can contact Steve at the Extension Office.

Note: Extemporaneous Speeches are not recognized on the State Level.

Tulsa State Fair Livestock Scholarship

The 2008 Tulsa State Fair Junior Livestock Scholarship application deadline is **March 1, 2008**. The TSF Scholarship Application is now posted on the TSF website, www.tulsastatefair.com. TSF Scholarships are designed to help further the education of those 4-H & FFA Youth who have participated in the TSF Junior Livestock Shows and who are in their senior year in high school.

Please contact Brandi Herndon at the Tulsa State Fair if you have any questions.

4-H Cooking Club



The 4-H cooking club is still baking up some fun! This month they will be making some special items that can be given as valentine gifts.

If you believe that this is something you would be interested in being involved mark your calendar and come to the next meeting at 3:45 pm on January 15th at the Kingfisher Extension Office in the Courthouse. They meet each month on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Pork Quality Assurance (PQA)

Pork Quality Assurance (PQA) is required for swine exhibitors to show in the 2007 Youth Expo (state stock show). There are three different age groups and three different levels of requirements.

Contact your local FFA Advisor or the Kingfisher County OSU Extension Office to see if your PQA certification is up-to date or if you must attend a class. You must be PQA Certified by February 14, 2008.

4-H Sewing and Craft Club

The 4-H sewing and craft club will be meeting on January 28th and February 25th. Please contact Jo Kochenower or Steve Beck for more details.



Upcoming Events

Jan 9-13 Denver Western Roundup
Jan 12 4-H Oakwood Mall Day
Jan 12 OSU Cowgirl 4-H Game Day
Jan 15 Cooking Club
Jan 19 Parent/Leader Training (Kay County)
Jan 20 4-H Ambassador Meeting
Jan 28 4-H Craft Club
Jan 31 Meat Judging Practice
Feb 1-2 4-H Omniplex Lock-in
Feb 7 Meat Judging Practice
Feb 7 Parent/Leaders Council Meeting
Feb 10-13 Kingfisher Co Stock Show
Feb 14 Meat Judging
Feb 17 4-H Ambassador Meeting
Feb 19 Stock Show Auction
Feb 21 Meat Judging
Feb 25 4-H Craft Club
Feb 28-March 4 District Stock Show
March 7 State Record Books due in County
April 3 Parent/Leaders Council Meeting
April 5 Enid Farm Safety Day
April 12 NW District Meat Judging
April 13 4-H Speaking Contests
April 20 Dress Revue
April 26 State Meat Judging
June 9-11 Sr 4-H Camp (tentative)
June 11-13 Jr 4-H Camp (tentative)
July 30-Aug 1 State 4-H Round Up

County 4-H Ambassadors

The Kingfisher County 4-H Ambassadors group was formed to support the 4-H program county wide. The role of the Ambassador is to be a messenger from Kingfisher County. They are expected to be role models in 4-H and be active and visible in the county.

Their meeting dates for the Spring of 2008 are at the Extension Office otherwise stated:

January 20th - 2:00pm

February 17th - 2:00pm

March 30th - 2:00pm

April 20th - 3:00pm at the Fairgrounds

May 11th - 2:00pm

Any youth that are in the seventh (7th) grade are welcome to attend the meetings to see what the Ambassadors are all about.

Kingfisher PI Swine Show

Saturday, January 12, 2008

Geary, Oklahoma

Cards Due: 8:00 A.M. Saturday, January 12, 2008

Only students in Blaine, Logan, and Kingfisher Counties may show. No minimum age limit on showing, maximum age is determined by having remaining high school eligibility to show.

Entry Fee: \$16.00 per head

Must have copy of negative pseudorabies test papers to pick up entry cards.

Have all entries to Bryan Kennedy by 5:00 P.M. Monday, January 7, 2008 in his possession. Late will not be accepted.

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