

Kingfisher County 4-H News

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Oklahoma 4-H Key Club

Since 1950, 4-H Key Club has been recognizing the accomplishments of Oklahoma youth in the 4-H Program. The club seeks to honor those 4-H members who possess leadership, loyalty, and a sense of responsibility to the total 4-H Program.

The program is based on standards, and individuals meeting these standards are eligible to become members. Key Club is an honor society for 4-H members who have done outstanding work in the organization. Once 4-Hers become Key Club members, they are obligated to support the 4-H organization throughout their lives, both financially and with their time, and stay updated with Oklahoma 4-H and Oklahoma 4-H Key Club.

The applicant:

1. Must be a 4-H member.
2. Must be at least 15 years old or older on January 1, on the year of application.
3. Must submit completed application form by state Record Book Due Date.
4. Must accumulate the minimum number of points (400) on the application form.
5. Must be approved by the county Cooperative Extension staff.
6. Must make at least one presentation to a 4-H Group about Key Club.
7. Must make at least one presentation to a non-4-H Group, such as non-4-H youth or adults, about the 4-H program in general.



If you are interested contact the Kingfisher County OSU Extension Office for more information.

Fashion Revue: Fabric and Fashion

When: Sunday, April 1st at 2:00pm

Where: Fairgrounds Exhibit Building.

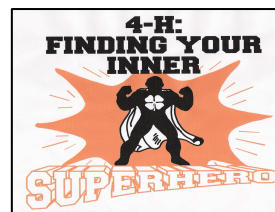
Garments Due: Wednesday March 28 by 4:30 p.m. at the Extension Office.

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 must 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.

Discovery Unlimited



4-H Discovery Unlimited is an overnight camp for 4-Hers age 11-12 at Saint Groves Camp in Stillwater. This year's camp is scheduled for May 4-5 and is themed 4-H: Finding Your Inner Superhero.

There must be an adult chaperone for every 5 kids. Registration materials are due to the county office by March 21st. Contact the extension office for more information.

Special Pricing for PBR

The Oklahoma Youth Expo would like to announce a very exciting opportunity provided by Touchstone Energy Cooperatives of Oklahoma and the PBR. Through their sponsorship and support, Touchstone Energy and the PBR have made possible "Oklahoma Youth Expo Night" at the PBR.



Friday, February 16, 2007, will be opening night of the PBR at the Ford Center in Oklahoma City. It will also bear the title of Oklahoma Youth Expo Night, an evening in which you can get ½ price tickets and enjoy a

night of professional bull riding.

Because of the generosity of Touchstone Energy Cooperatives and the PBR, 100 percent of the proceeds from the special offer, ½ price ticket sales will go to benefit the Justin Whitefield Junior Livestock Memorial Fund.

In order to get your ½ price tickets and contribute to a very special cause, simply log on to the link below and follow the instructions on the right hand side of the page. (Please take note that the special offer code or password is WHITEY.)

<http://www.ticketmaster.com/promo/fk5llr>

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 9, 2007.

Youth Forestry 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. By experiencing nature in a fun atmosphere,



students will gain a life-long awareness and respect for the world in which they live. Camp is June 4-9, 2007 and is open to 13-15 year old who have an interest in Oklahoma and its natural environment.

All application materials are due to the camp director by April 1, 2007. Registration for campers is \$175 and includes all meals, transportation at camp, organized recreational activities, and non-personal supplies necessary for camp activities.

For more information call Steve at the Extension Office or log on to <http://whatisforestry.org>.

4-H Jackets

It is that time of year again to start thinking about the Spring Livestock Shows and making sure that you have a 4-H jacket.

You can pick up an order form at the County Extension Office or call Awards and Moore Phone:(405)624-8393

At the County Spring Livestock show, it is recommended, but not required to wear a jacket or vest with the 4-H emblem, but if you are going to show at the Oklahoma Youth Expo livestock show, it is a requirement that each 4-H member wear the 4-H emblem in the show ring.

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Progressive Agriculture Farm and Home Safety Day

On Saturday March 31st from 9:00am – 3:00pm at the Chisholm Trail Pavilion at Garfield County Fairgrounds there will be a Progressive Agriculture Farm and Home Safety Day. It is a fun-filled day of learning for youth ages 8-13 years old (6-7 year olds accompanied by parent/guardian) who live on or visit farms.

Topics for demonstration and discussion include: Escape Smart, Fire & Electric Safety, Firearm Safety, Shop & Power Tool Safety, Water Quality, First Aid and Skin Protection, Safety around Oil Fields, 4-Wheeler Safety, Hazards around the Farm, Lawn Care and Equipment Safety and Pipeline/Utility Safety.

A fee of \$5.00 per child or \$10.00 per family includes the cost of lunch, snacks, speakers, a T-shirt, and a packet of safety materials. Camp applications are due by March 23, 2007.

For camp registration and more information contact: Allison Haney – Rural Health Projects, Inc. /NwAHEC 580-213-3166.

Oklahoma Vegetables of the Month: Sweet Potato

Sweet potatoes are members of the morning glory family and native to the American tropics. They are a winter crop, so they provide fresh vegetables when many other vegetables are unavailable. A sweet potato is a root tuber, a fleshy root that stores food for a plant.

Play with Your Food: Grow a Sweet Potato Plant. Stick toothpicks in a small sweet potato on three sides, and place it in a jar filled with water, with the narrow end down and the toothpicks resting on the edges of the jar. After a week or two you will see roots sprouting. A few days later you will see leafy purple sprouts. Soon you will have a beautiful vining plant.

Kingfisher County 4-H Fabrics Club

Due to the County Stock Show this month's meeting will take place on February 27th. For more information about the Fabrics Club contact Steve Beck at the Extension Office of Jo Kochenower.

The Ambassadors Want You

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.

The Ambassadors are going on their 11th year this year. Their meeting dates for next year will be as follows at 2:00 p.m. in the Kingfisher County OSU Extension Meeting Room. Any youth that are in the 7th grade are welcome to attend the meeting to see what the Ambassadors are all about.

February 11 th	April 15 th
May 13 th	June 10 th

If you are interested in attending the meetings, please contact the Extension Office for more information.

Kingfisher County Spring Stock Show

SATURDAY - FEB. 17, 2007

7:00 A.M. - All market goats weighed and cards in
7:30 A.M. - All sheep in place Weighing and classifying
9:00 A.M. - Judging of Market Goats
10:00 A.M. or 15 minutes after completion of Goat Show - Judging of Lamb Division

SUNDAY AFTERNOON - FEB. 18, 2007

1:00 P.M. - Beef Animals in place-Weighing and classifying will begin
2:30 P.M. - Swine in place Weighing and classifying will begin

MONDAY - FEB. 19, 2007

8:00 A.M. - Judging of Swine Division

TUESDAY - FEB. 20, 2007

9:00 A.M. - Judging of Beef Division (Starting with Breeding Heifers)

5:30 P.M. - Bidder=s Feed

6:30 P.M. - Premium Auction

For Complete Details and Rules, log on to <http://kingfisher4-h.org> for more information.

State Record Books

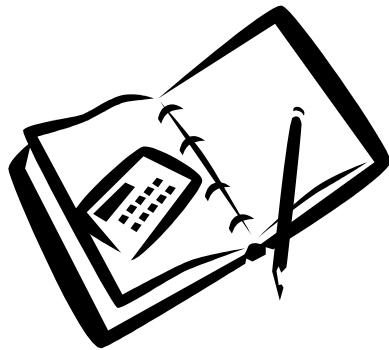
We will be discussing the State Record Books at the Ambassador meeting on February 11th. You need to be 14 years old as of January 1, 2007 in order to do a state record book. If you will be 14 within the next year or two I feel this workshop will give you the guidelines and ideas on putting a state record book together. 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 5th, 2007. 4-H members should report work done from the time the last record book was turned in through February.

There are some changes on the 2006 Project Report Form that applicants should review. These changes are available on the Oklahoma 4-H Website.



Northwest District Junior Livestock Show

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2007

ALL ENTRIES ARE DUE BY 5:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2007

7:00 a.m. Goats and cattle admitted to fairgrounds.

10:00 a.m. ALL Goat cards (does and wethers) due in show office.

11:00 a.m. Goat Show Begins (Does followed by wethers)

5:00-7:00 p.m. Steer weigh-in. Heifer registration papers checked. Commercial heifer weigh-in.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 2007

8:00 a.m. Steer Show Begins

There will be a 30 minute break following the Steer Show, and then the Heifer show will begin.

Lambs may move-in one hour after the completion of the cattle show.

3:00 p.m. Lamb Lead Interviews

7:00 p.m. Lamb Lead (lead portion)

FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2007

8:00 a.m. Lamb Classification

10:30 a.m. Lamb Show Begins

Swine are allowed entrance to fairgrounds one hour after the completion of the sheep show.

SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2007

10:00 a.m. Swine cards due in show office (ALL breeds)

12:00 p.m. Swine Show begins: Berkshire, Chester, Duroc, Hampshire, Poland

SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 2007

8:30 a.m. Church Service - Show Ring

9:00 a.m. Swine Show Continues

SPOT, YORKSHIRE, AOB AND CROSSBRED

MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2007

6:45 p.m. AWARD PRESENTATIONS

7:00 p.m. PREMIUM SALE AUCTION - Show Arena.

Steve Beck

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Dover FFA Benefit Dinner

On February 10th from 5:00pm to 6:00pm the Dover FFA will be hosting a benefit dinner for Chance Fisher at the Dover School Cafeteria.

They will be serving a Brisket Dinner with the works. The cost will be adults \$5.00 and children 12 and under \$3.00.

State 4-H Ambassador Program

The Oklahoma 4-H State Ambassador Program is a prestigious leadership program that requires a large commitment of the 4-Her. It is designed to reach the following objectives:

- ◆ Make 4-H more visible in your county and across the state of Oklahoma.
- ◆ Maintain relations with 4-H alumni and supporters.
- ◆ Help 4-H members tell the state and national 4-H story.

As an Ambassador you will be expected to serve in the following roles.

- ◆ Supplement 4-H Foundation efforts by making donor and alumni follow-ups through telephone, letters, newsletters and visits.
- ◆ Represent Oklahoma 4-H at selected public events at county, district, and state 4-H programs.
- ◆ Support media relations across the state by writing articles for newspapers, writing and/or presenting 20 second to one-minute promo for radio, and making TV appearances.
- ◆ Serve as a local advocate for the 4-H Program by writing to and making personal contacts with people within the political system (legislators, county commissioners, budget boards, etc.).
- ◆ Serve as a speaker or trainer on topics related to the implementation of a statewide service/leadership project.

In order to be an Ambassador you must be 13 years of age and willing to meet the requirements of the program as listed on the State 4-H Website. Call Steve for more information.

Dates to Remember

Feb 9th – PQA Deadline
Feb 9th – Youth Expo Entry Deadline
Feb 10 Okarche Local
Feb 10 OSU Horse Judging School
Feb 11 Lomega Local
Feb 11 Ambassador Meeting
Feb 12 Cooking Club
Feb 13 Ambassadors Work Election
Feb 15 Meat Judging
Feb 17-20 Kingfisher Stock Show
Feb 20 Sewing Club Rescheduled to Feb 27
Feb 22 Meat Judging
Feb 26 Meat Judging
Feb 27 4-H Sewing
Feb 28 – March 5 District Stock Show
March 3rd – Boat Safety (non-4H)
March 5 – State Record Books Due in County
March 7 – 19 OK Youth Expo
March 12 – Cooking Club
March 20 – Sewing Club
March 29 – Meat Judging
March 31 - Progressive Farmer Farm Safety Day camp
April 1 –Fashion Revue
April 3 – Meat Judging
April 4 – 4-H Day at the Capitol
April 5 – Leader’s Council Meeting
April 14 – NW District Meats
April 15 – Ambassadors Meeting
April 21 – State Meat Judging
May 5 – Discovery Unlimited
May 13 – Ambassador Meeting
May 23-25 State 4-H Round-Up
June 2nd – NW District Horse Show
June 10th – 4-H Ambassador Meeting
June 11-15 – 4-H Camp

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