

Kingfisher County 4-H News

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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 July 5-15, 2007. The cost of the conference is \$1140.00 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 March 1st. In order to determine who will be representing Kingfisher County you need to contact me at 375-3822 by January 3rd 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 Talks, Power Point Presentations, Extemporaneous & Illustrated Presentations

The 2007 Kingfisher County Talks, Illustrated Presentations/Demonstrations, and Power Point Presentations will be **January 28th** at the Kingfisher County OSU Extension Meeting Room at 2:00 pm. Age groups are:

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.

Ages are based on January 1, 2007.

A 4-H Talk is simply giving a speech without the aid of any additional props. Illustrated Presentations/Demonstrations are speeches utilizing props such as posters and actual items that you are discussing or demonstrating. A Power Point Presentation is similar to the Illustrated Presentation except that you will use the computer and presentation software. In an extemporaneous speech you are given the topic of your speech just a few minutes before you actually give your speech.

Intermediate and Senior Speeches 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.

Job Readiness

Job Readiness is an individual activity designed for youth to practice the skills of obtaining a job. It also helps youth learn about specific job requirements.

4-Hers will prepare a Resume or personal data sheet, complete a job application form, participate in an interview, and complete a follow-up letter.

Age categories include:

Intermediate: 13 and 14 year olds;

Senior: 15 and older by January 1, 2007.



The event is Sunday, January 28th, at the Kingfisher County OSU Extension Meeting Room at 2:00 pm. Job Readiness Entries are due January 19th.

Job Categories include:

Retail Sales; Service; Home-Based Type business; Office Work; Health Care; and Other.

Spectators are not allowed to observe this event. Contact Steve at 375-3822 or your local club for more detailed information.

Kingfisher County 4-H Fabrics Club

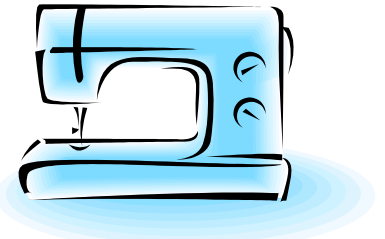
On the 3rd Tuesday of each month the Kingfisher County Fabrics Club will be meeting in the Extension Meeting Room in the courthouse.

This months meeting is December 19th. We will be making Christmas Decorations. If you would like to take part in this event, contact Steve for a list of needed supplies.

Christmas Break Sewing Workshop

On December 27th from 1:00pm – 4:00pm Ashley Fuksa will be leading a sewing workshop at the Kingfisher County OSU Extension Office. We have borrowed sewing machines from the District Office but you need to call the office at 375-3822 to let us know if you are planning on participating in this workshop.

You will need to bring 1 ¼ yards of cotton fabric for a pillowcase. If you would like to participate in a community service



aspect of this project bring an additional 1 ¼ yard of material to make a pillowcase for the foster children located at the Holsinger House in Enid.

For best results pre-wash your fabric before bringing it to the workshop.

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.

January 14th

February 11th

March ???

April 15th

May 13th

June 10th

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

4-H Enhancement Grants

If you or your club has an idea to enhance your local club or county program but need a little help funding the project you might consider the 4-H Enhancement Grants.



These grants provide up to \$500 for programs to Sstrengthen 4-H Clubs, enhance youth or adult leadership development, encourage clubs and members to conduct community service

projects and strengthen 4-H Project work. They must relate to one of the following areas: health and wellness, environmental education, leadership development or science and technology.

If you are interested in applying for a grant contact Steve at the Extension Office for more information. All applications must be received in Stillwater by January 15th.

Psuedorabies Test for Swine

All swine to be exhibited in upcoming spring livestock shows must be tested for Psuedorabies. This is a blood test that must be performed by a veterinarian. For the spring shows you may have this test done anytime after December 1, 2006. You must provide a copy of the results each time you exhibit your pig.



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Pork Quality Assurance (PQA)

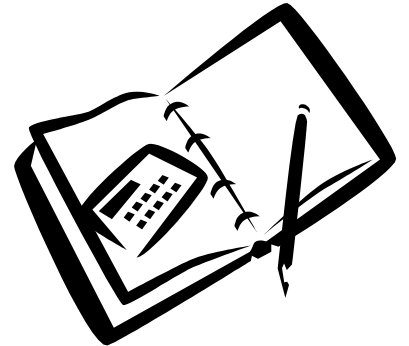
Pork Quality Assurance (PQA) is required for swine exhibitors to show in the 2007 Youth Expo (state stock show). There are three different age groups and three different levels of requirements.

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.

State Record Books

We will be discussing the State Record Books at the Ambassador meeting on January 14th. 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.

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Kingfisher County

Northwest District Junior Livestock Show Schedule

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2007

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

Entries submitted after this deadline will be charged double the fee listed.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2007

7:00 a.m. Goats and cattle admitted to fairgrounds. Agriculture Education Instructors/Extension Educators pick up school/club packets.

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

Immediately following selection of the Final Sale Order: Paint branding of those steers selected for the premium sale will begin. Steers not chosen for sale order are released immediately after exhibition.

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

Entry card copy will be collected during classification (Bring original to show ring)

10:30 a.m. Lamb Show Begins

Immediately following selection of the final sale order, paint branding of those sheep selected for the premium sale will begin. Sheep not chosen for sale order are released immediately after exhibition and must be removed from their pens within one hour after conclusion of the sheep show.

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

Immediately following selection of the final sale order, paint branding of those swine selected for the premium sale will begin. Swine not chosen for sale order are released immediately after exhibition and must be removed from their pens within one hour after conclusion of the swine show.

MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2007

5:00 p.m. **Northwest District Jr. Livestock Show Wrap Up Meeting:** Agriculture Education Instructors and Extension Educators are encouraged to attend this meeting.

5:30 p.m. Sale Exhibitor meeting: All premium sale exhibitors must attend.

6:45 p.m. AWARD PRESENTATIONS

The NEWS AND EAGLE AWARDS are presented to the top two 4-H and FFA students whose achievements during the preceding year were top in the district. The late M.C. Garber, former editor of the Enid Publishing Company, originated these achievement awards in 1940.

The WINCHESTER TRAVELING TROPHY is presented to the 4-H and FFA winning Senior Livestock Judging teams.

THE BENDA FAMILY MEMORIAL TRAVELING TROPHY is presented to the exhibitor of the Grand Champion Steer sponsored by the Benda Family.

THE HENRY MOEHLE AWARD is presented to the exhibitor of the Grand Champion Lamb. Sponsored by the Garfield County Sheep Breeder's Association.

The MIKE WITT TRAVELING TROPHY is presented to the exhibitor of the Grand Champion Swine.

Recognition of GRAND CHAMPION HEIFER AND GRAND CHAMPION DOE.

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

All animals in the premium sale must be ready for exhibition by 6:30 p.m. on Monday, March 5, 2007. Those animals not in place by 6:30 p.m. will be subject to disqualification from the Premium Auction Sale.

Kingfisher County Spring Stock Show

SUNDAY AFTERNOON - FEB. 18, 2007

1:00 P.M. - Office will open

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

Swine not making the sale or not selected as an alternate are released at the conclusion of the swine show.

TUESDAY - FEB. 20, 2007

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

Beef animals not in the sale or parade of champions will be released at the conclusion of the beef show.

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

6:30 P.M. - Premium Auction

Beef Fitting, Grooming, and Showmanship Contest

When: Sunday, Feb. 11th, @ 3:00pm

Where: Show arena on the Kingfisher County Fairgrounds.

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



Enid NWDJLS Livestock Judging

The NWDJLS Livestock Judging Contest will be held January 31st. The plan is to have nine classes with three sets of reasons being given. 4-H teams and individuals are required to have a certification form filled out and signed by the Extension Office before you can enter.

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 at 3:30pm – 5:00pm.

January 3 rd	January 18 th
January 22 nd	February 5 th
February 15 th	February 22 nd
February 26 th	March 29 th
April 3 rd	April 10 th

District Meat Contest April 14th
State Meat Contest April 21st

4-H HORSE PROJECT ACTIVITIES

Several 2007 Spring activities for 4-H Horse Project youth have been scheduled. The OSU Horse Judging Day, February 10th, annually attracts over 300 people. The State 4-H and FFA Horse Judging Contest will be held at the OSU Animal Science arena on April 7th.

State 4-H Roundup will have a variety of horse topic workshops and competitions scheduled for May 23 and 24, including oral communication and quiz bowl competitions. The State 4-H Horse Show will be held in Enid June 21 through 23. Additional activities including horsemanship clinics are in the works, final planning to be done in January. More information on these activities can be obtained by contacting County Cooperative Extension offices or by emailing Dr. Freeman at OSU: david.freeman@okstate.edu .

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Dates to Remember

Dec 19th – 4-H Sewing Club
Dec 27th – Sewing Workshop
Jan 3rd – Meat Science
Jan 4th – Swine Nomination to Youth Expo
Jan 7th – Okarche Club Meets
Jan 8th – Cooking School
Jan 10th – Kingfisher and Cashion 4-H
Jan 13 – 4-H Oakwood Mall Day
Jan 14th – Ambassador Meeting

Jan 16th – 4-H Sewing
Jan 18th – Meat Science
Jan 22nd Meat Science
Jan 28th – Speech Contest
Feb 9th – PQA Deadline
Feb 9th – Youth Expo Entry Deadline
Feb 17-20 – County Stock Show
Feb 28-March 5th – District Stock Show
March 5th – State Record Books Due in County
March 7-19 – OK Youth Expo
April 1st – Impressive Dress and Dress Revue