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# 4-H Clover Connection

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January-February  
2009

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## Centennial celebrations slated throughout 2009

It's going to be a very year for the Oklahoma 4-H program as members from around the state celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of 4-H. Centennial celebrations are planned throughout 2009.

Jessica Stewart, state 4-H marketing coordinator – promotions and special programs, said there are a number of statewide events planned, as well as numerous celebrations at the county level.

"We officially kicked off the Oklahoma 4-H Centennial Celebration during State 4-H Roundup last July," Stewart said. "Since then, we've been putting other plans into place that will be reflected in celebrations and activities throughout the year."

Visitors to the Oklahoma State University Botanical Garden are in for a treat this summer. A number of 4-H youth from Pawnee, Payne and Adair counties will construct a Centennial Garden. The club members have been very hands-on with this project. The group has researched different vines and native plants they want to incorporate.

Stewart said they received a \$500 grant from the Oklahoma Horticultural Society to help with the project. In addition, Adair County 4-H'er Jeremy Arnett is writing a grant to help fund this project.

"The youth participating in this special project range in age from Cloverbuds to high schoolers and this is a great opportunity for the older club members to do mentoring and develop leadership skills," she said.

"It has been very rewarding working with so many youth that are passionate about gardening. Their creativity and enthusiasm has resulted in a magnificent garden design that will certainly be a wonderful addition to the OSU Botanical Gardens," said Kim Rebek, host of *Oklahoma Gardening*.

Another exciting centennial event will be the release of an official Eskimo Joe's 4-H Centennial T-shirt. The graphics for the shirt are still in the design phase, but the shirt should be available through Eskimo Joe's by early summer.

"Joe's T-shirts are well-known around the country and world. We're excited to have the 4-H Centennial be represented on one of their shirts," Stewart said.

A culmination of events will take place Nov. 6 at the Green Tie Gala. This celebratory event will be held at the Skirvin-Hilton Hotel in Oklahoma City.

"The purpose of this event is to recognize centennial families," Stewart said. "It also will be a time to honor those who have had a positive impact on Oklahoma 4-H. In addition, we'll celebrate the accomplishments of today's 4-H'ers and will envision the next century's success."

More information regarding the Green Tie Gala will be available later in the year. If you would like to be added to the invitation list, please call the state 4-H office at 405-744-4HYD (4493).

A 4-H Centennial History Book is currently being created. It will include the entire year of centennial celebrations in addition to stories and facts from the past 100 years of Oklahoma 4-H. Stewart said she still needs historical stories to include in the book. It is expected to be published by early 2010.

Growing the membership is another goal of the many centennial activities. Counties are encouraged to "Each One Reach One" throughout 2009.

In an effort to help counties plan their centennial celebrations, a Centennial Planning Guide is now available online at [celebrateok4h.okstate.edu](http://celebrateok4h.okstate.edu). A calendar of events is available on the site and all counties are encouraged to submit centennial activities.

"We're very excited about this monumental milestone in the Oklahoma 4-H program and we're looking forward to all of the special activities that will take place in 2009," Stewart said.

## Spring Livestock Show Schedule

February 15 – 17, 2009

Sunday – February 15<sup>th</sup>

Animals in place by 6:00 p.m.

**Food Fair Show – entries in by 5:00 p.m.**

Monday – February 16<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m. – Sheep & Goats

2:00 p.m. – Cattle

Tuesday – February 17<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m. - Swine

5 – 6 p.m. – Appreciation Banquet

6:00 p.m. – Special Awards

6:30 P.M. – Bonus Auction

Judges:

Cattle – Tracy McMurphy

Sheep/Goat – Jack Statts

Swine – Mike Stucky

### Psuedorabies

**A negative psuedorabies test papers must be received in the Extension Office by January 15<sup>th</sup>.**

### Blazer Hockey

Check out the flyer enclosed. This is a great opportunity and should be a fun time for only \$10.

<http://oces.okstate.edu/blaine/4-h/Blaine%20County%20Blaziers.pdf>

### 4-H Mall Day – Enid

January 10, 2009

If you are not participating with a working display, take time to visit and learn more about 4-H at Mall Day in Enid. Leaders/Volunteers please note that there are learning sessions for adults planned throughout the day. Please note that these sessions will count towards requirements to be a certified Volunteer 4-H Leader.

### Schedule:

8 – 10 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

9:30- 10:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

1:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m.

2:30 p.m.

3:00 p.m.

5:30 p.m.

5:30-6:30p.m.

Set-up

Working Displays Begin

Mini Floats checked in and Lined up

Parade of Mini-Floats

Parent/Volunteer Training, Session 1

4-H Style & Talent Show

4-H Style & Talent Show

Parent/Volunteer Training, Session 2

Parent/Volunteer Training, Session 3

4-H Style & Talent Show

Last Working Display Concludes

Floats Removed

Pick-up & Clean-up

### Volunteers/Teen Meeting

Our next meeting is scheduled for January 13<sup>th</sup> at the Blaine County Fairgrounds. Adults will have a meeting to complete plans for the upcoming Stock Show concession stand and other business, as well as a training for Certified Volunteers. The teens will be volunteering to assist with child care for Blaine County Foster Children at the First Baptist Church in Watonga. Older 4-H members, who would like to also assist, please call Joy at the Extension Office for details – 580-623-5195.

### Fertile Chicken Eggs



Once again we are offering fertile chicken eggs for classroom & 4-H projects. Delivery dates are around February 9<sup>th</sup>; March 23<sup>rd</sup>; and April 20<sup>th</sup>. Let us know at the Extension Office at least three-weeks before each pickup date in order for the eggs to be ordered. A tray of 30 eggs cost \$3.75.



## N.W. Oklahoma Winter Series Shooting Sports

- Air Rifle
- AirPistol
- Recurve Bow
- Compound Bow

January 3<sup>rd</sup> @ Alva  
 January 10<sup>th</sup> @ Woodward  
 January 17<sup>th</sup> @ Watonga  
 January 31st @ N.W. Dist @ Perry

9:00 a.m. Registration

Entry Fee: \$3.00 per Event

**For More Information Contact:**

**Blaine County OSU Extension Center  
580-623-5195**

### NW District Livestock Show

Wednesday, February 18, 2009

All Entries are due by 5:00 p.m. Entries submitted after this deadline will be charged double the fee listed.

Tuesday, March 3, 2009

4:30 p.m. – Lambs & cattle admitted to fairgrounds.

Wednesday, March 4, 2009

7:00 a.m. – Agriculture Education  
Instructors/Extension Educators pick up school/club packets.

7:30 a.m. – Lamb Classification  
Classification order will be the same as show order.

8 – 9:00 a.m. – Ewe registration check-in

9:00 a.m. – Club Lamb Breeding Ewe cards due

9:30 a.m. – Lamb Lead (lead portion)

10:30 a.m. – Ewe Show Begins

EWE Show Order: Southdown, Dorset, Shropshire,

Hampshire, Suffolk, Club lamb breeding ewe

WETHER Show Order: Southdown, Dorset,

Shropshire, Speckle, Hampshire, Natural, Suffolk,

Crossbred

2:30-6:30p.m. – Cattle Scales Available

6:30 p.m. – All Steer & Commercial Heifer cards

Due

Thursday, March 5, 2009

8:00 a.m. - Steer Show Begins

Friday, March 6, 2009

9:00 a.m. – All Goat cards due

10:00 a.m. – Doe Goat Show Begins. Wether goat show immediately following Doe Dhow.

Saturday, March 7, 2009

10:00 a.m. – All market barrow cards due

12:00 p.m. – Barrow Show Begins

Show order: Berkshire, Chester, Duroc, Hampshire, Poland, Spot, Yorkshire, AOB, Crossbred

Sunday, March 8, 2009

8:00 a.m. – Gilt registration check-in

10:00 a.m. – Commercial gilt cards due

Noon – Gilt Show Begins

Show order: Berkshire, Chester, Duroc, Hampshire, Poland, Spot, Yorkshire (classed broken by age) followed by Commercial Gilt (classes broken by weight)

Monday, March 9, 2009

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

6:45 p.m. – Award Presentations

7:00 p.m. – Premium Sale Auction

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# 4-H FOOD FAIR

*SUNDAY, February 15, 2009*

## Blaine County Fairgrounds

3:00 – 5:00 p.m. .... Entries In  
5:30 p.m. .... Judge Entries

### Rules

1. Show is open to all enrolled 4-H members, both girls and boys.
2. 4-Her's in school grades 3-7 will be in Junior Division.
3. 4-Her's in school grades 8-12 will be in Senior Division.
4. Food is to be placed on a sturdy disposable plate and covered with clear wrap.
5. We will not be responsible for entries left in building after judging.
6. Highpoint winner will be selected for each division (Junior & Senior) following the point system below:  
Prize - \$15.00.
7. Prizes awarded for each category: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$5      2<sup>nd</sup> - \$4      3<sup>rd</sup> - \$3
8. Cloverbuds – NON-COMPETITIVE

### POINT SYSTEM

1st = 4 pts      2nd = 3 pts      3rd = 2 pts      Entries not placing in top 3 = 1 pt.

### JUNIOR DIVISION – Grades 3 – 7 -(No Mixes - \*\*Except Class I)

- A - Drop Cookies (3)
- B - Muffins (3)
- C - Brownies (3)
- D - Quick Bread 1/2 Loaf

No more than one entry per person per class. **No mixes to be used, except in Class I.**

- E - Snack or appetizer.
- F - Salad with Place Setting (i.e. pasta, green, Jello, etc.)
- G - Shaped cookies (3) Can be sugar, peanut butter, etc.
- H - Appetizer Tray with dip
- I - Any baked item using a mix as a base, **include recipe**
- J - Educational poster based on food or kitchen safety (14 x 28 size poster)

### SENIOR DIVISION – Grades 8 – 12 (NO MIXES)

- K - Vanilla Pound Cake
- L - Cinnamon Rolls (3)
- M - ½ Loaf yeast Bread

### OTHER SENIOR CLASSES (NO MIXES)

- N - Bar Cookies (3)
- O - Yeast Rolls: any shape (3)
- P - Nutritional snack
- Q - Meat Casserole Cook-off (include recipe)
- R - Shortened Type Cake (un-iced) i.e. chocolate, white, yellow
- S - Bread Machine Bread (include recipe)
- T - Educational Poster based on protein (meat) safety – 14 x 28 size poster

### PICNIC LUNCH - (Special Category)

Pack your basket and use your own imagination. Special Category will be judged on appearance, originality, flavor, and nutritional value. Open to Junior and Senior 4-H members. Must include a complete menu and two (2) prepared items.

U. Junior Division

V. Senior Division