



# May – June 4-H Newsletter 2017

## Oklahoma 4-H Foundation working hard to support youth

You probably have heard of the Oklahoma 4-H Foundation, but may not necessarily know exactly the purpose of this organization. According to its mission, the Oklahoma 4-H Foundation is to support youth development in Oklahoma. How do they do this?

“Probably the most well-known ways support is shown is through educational scholarships, awards, programming and activities,” said Blayne Arthur, executive director of the Oklahoma 4-H Foundation. “However, the reach of the foundation goes far beyond that. Our job is to increase public awareness of the many benefits of 4-H Youth Development programs, as well as coordinate and support fund development for 4-H at all levels.”

One activity in which 4-H’ers from around the state have been participating in for nearly 30 years is the Kids Helping Kids Campaign. Club members have raised more than \$900,000 through this service project/fundraiser, which seeks donations in exchange for a coupon to participating McDonald’s restaurants in Oklahoma.

Kristin Knight, coordinator of the Kids Helping Kids Campaign in the State 4-H Office, said 50 percent of the funds raised go directly to the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Oklahoma City, a nonprofit that provides a home away from home at no cost for families with seriously ill or injured children received medical care in the Oklahoma City area.

“One third of the funds stay in the county in which it was donated to support local 4-H programming efforts,” Knight said. Prizes will soon be awarded to the top three selling clubs and top three individuals on the state level, as well as the top three individuals in each participating county. Plans are already underway for the Kids Helping Kids Campaign in 2018, which will mark the 30<sup>th</sup> year of participation for Oklahoma 4-H’ers. The remaining one-sixth comes to the 4-H Foundation to support its mission. We just completed this year’s campaign and youth from 16 participating counties raised more than \$20,000, which is a 20 percent increase over last year.”

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Another popular activity supported by the Foundation is the Clover Classic Golf Tournament. Slated Oct. 9 at Gaillardia Country Club in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, the 2017 Clover Classic Golf Tournament will mark its 20<sup>th</sup> year. The tournament is a great way for golf enthusiasts to get to play golf at one of Oklahoma’s premier courses and support youth development activities at the same time.

“There are several sponsorship levels and funds raised will help our club members develop leadership, citizenship and life skills in hundreds of diverse projects,” Arthur said.

For more information about this year’s Clover Classic, contact Arthur at 405-744-5390 or via email at [blayne.arthur@okstate.edu](mailto:blayne.arthur@okstate.edu).

Something new on the fund-raising agenda for the Foundation will be pretzel sales. Arthur said the sales will roll out at the Oklahoma State Fair in Oklahoma City Sept. 14-24. “We’re pretty excited to try this new fundraising effort. Who doesn’t like pretzels? And again, funds raised will be put to use supporting our 4-H youth in all project activities,” Arthur said. “We’ll be able to direct funds to specific projects. We’re looking forward to seeing everyone in the new Made in Oklahoma Building on the Oklahoma City Fairgrounds.” Pretzel flavors available will be cinnaroll, sweet and spicy and ranch. Depending on how this test run goes at the Oklahoma State Fair, 4-H’ers will be able to sell pretzels in their own counties with proceeds going directly to county programming.

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## 4-H Camp

Be sure and sign up for camp by May 19. The enclosed flyer has all the information you need. We will be at the Vici Baptist Camp Grounds near Vici, OK. Cost is \$65 for the camp to be held **June 7-8 and 9**. If you have questions be sure to call. **DEADLINE IS MAY 19.**

## 4-H Camp Counselors Needed

Applications are being accepted for 4-H Camp Counselors at Junior Camp June 7-9. Applications are due **May 19**. You must be 15 years of age, responsible and willing to assist younger campers. You will also need to attend a day of camp counselor training scheduled for **May 30**. The office will provide transportation to Kingfisher for the training. If selected your camp registration will be waived.

## Senior 4-H Camp Float Trip

4-H Teen Leaders who have completed 7<sup>th</sup> grade or who were 13 as of January 1, 2017 may attend the Multi-County Float Trip to Tahlequah. Dates are **June 26-27**. We had a great time last year so be sure to get your spot reserved by **JUNE 9**. **We will leave early on the morning of June 26 and return on the afternoon of June 27. See the attached flyer for more information.**

## 4-H State Roundup

Registration is now being taken for 4-H Teens to attend the State-Wide event held in Stillwater. You must have completed 7<sup>th</sup> grade or be 13 by January 1, 2017 to attend. This is a great event and every 4-H member should attend this at least once. Registration is due in the office **JUNE 6**. There are no late registrations so be sure and let us know if you are planning to attend. Cost is \$67.50 as the leaders pay ½ of active 4-H member's fee. T-shirts are an additional \$10. **DEADLINE IS JUNE 6.**

## County Record Books

**Blaine County Record Books will be due Thursday June 15<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to complete the Point Sheet to qualify for the Rewards Trip.** All forms are available on our website or here at the office. 4-H Leaders will meet June 15<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m. to complete medal judging and turn in Fair Ads and monies. Supper will be served for the Leaders at 6:00 p.m.

## County Fund Raiser-Fair Book Ads

Fair Book Ads are out to the leaders. Please complete your sales and turn in to the office by June 15. This is our major fundraiser for the year and all of your help is greatly appreciated.



## District Food Showdown May 26-Alva

I still have openings for teams to participate in the District Food Showdown Friday May 26 in Alva. I must have your team member's names by **Wednesday May 10** to enter in the District Contest. If you participated in the county contest your team is eligible to attend. We are allowed 2 teams in each age division so it will be on a first come first entered system.

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## **4-H Teen Leaders**

Officer elections and planning meeting  
June 15<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m. Blaine County Fairgrounds.  
Supper served.

## **Learn More about Raising your Show Goats**

Want to learn more about taking care of your show goats, such as feeding, worming, clipping, showmanship? We will be having a Goat Workshop in June. The date is yet to be determined but will be either June 13<sup>th</sup> or the 20<sup>th</sup>. We will start at 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Mike Webber the OSU Ag Educator from Dewey County will present the workshop. He has many years of experience raising and showing goats. Please call the extension office at 580-623-5195, if you are interested in attending, and we will notify those who signed up of the exact date as soon as it is set.

## **Zoo Snooze**

There is a possibility of having a NW District Zoo Snooze. The dates would be October 27-28 and would target 9-13 year olds. Let us know if you and your club would be interested in attending. If there is not enough interest, the camp will be cancelled.

## **State-Wide 4-H Horse Camp**

Will be May 27-29 at Mac Lindley Research Station, Valliant, OK. Registration deadline is May 15. This camp is intended to educate youth and adults in camping with horses with minimal damage to land and water quality. More information is available on the State 4-H website.

## **Leadership Opportunity**

Are you interested in developing your leadership skills, and want to serve the Oklahoma 4-H program? Applications for this year's Oklahoma State 4-H Leadership Council are due to the State 4-H Office by June 13, 2017. Check the website for ages and responsibilities. Let us know if you are interested and can assist you in your application.

## **Oklahoma 4-H AgSummit**

Will be held July 11-12 for 4-H members over age 13. The Oklahoma 4-H AgSummit is a new event designed to teach youth about emerging agricultural issues we will be facing as a society in 2050. Program fee is \$25 for 2 days and 1 night on campus. Registration is due June 15.

## **NW District 4-H Leaders Conference**

There will be 3 opportunities for 4-H leaders to attend this conference. It will be the same materials at 3 locations. More details will be available soon.

July 6th Woodward County-4-8 p.m.

July 8th Cimarron/Texas County 10-2 p.m.

July 19 Garfield County-4-8 p.m.

## **Summer Fair Project Workshops**

**All workshops require pre-enrollment to be sure that there are materials for everyone. You must enroll 1 week before the class. Five 4-H members must be enrolled for the class to be held. There is no charge, but if you enroll you are expected to attend as supplies will be purchased for you. All classes will be held at the Blaine County Fairgrounds.**

## **Personal Development and Wildlife Projects-**

**Thursday, June 1st 10-2:30pm.** Bring a sack lunch. Becky will be conducting the Wildlife projects and Joy the Personal Development. Personal Development has a brand new curriculum with new projects, so be sure to attend and complete both of these workshops and have entries ready for the County Fair.

## **Fashions and Fabrics-July 18-19-20 10-2:30 p.m.**

A list of supplies needed for this workshop will be given to those who enroll. If you have a sewing machine in good working order, you will need to bring that as well as the required supplies. Bring a sack lunch each day.

**Canning-Monday July 24th 1-3:30 p.m.** We will complete a canning project for the County Fair.

**Baking- Tuesday – July 25<sup>th</sup> 1:00-3:30 p.m.** At least 2 exhibits will be ready for the Fair.

# 2017 4-H Camp

“Boot Camp”



Vici Baptist Campgrounds  
Vici OK

Junior Camp June 7-8-9, 2017

Registration Due May 19<sup>th</sup>

Camper Name \_\_\_\_\_

Camper Age as of Jan 1, 2017 \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size: S M L XL (Adult or youth size – circle one)

Gender M F  
(circle one)

Roommate choices:

1st. \_\_\_\_\_

2nd. \_\_\_\_\_

3rd. \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any special needs:

Dietary: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

### CHECK LIST

|                             | Yes                      | No                       |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Completed RAM Form          | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$65 Check (Jr. Camper)     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Signed Camp Rules Agreement | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

(Teen Counselors must be 15. You need to provide a workshop for campers as part of your duties.)

Teen Counselor Workshop that you will be leading \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Blaine County 4-H  
c/o OSU Extension Office  
212 N. Weigle Ave  
Watonga, OK 73772

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# June 26-27, 2017

## Red Dirt Rafting Retreat

**Come float the river with us!!!**



Come float with us at the War Eagle Resort in Tahlequah, Oklahoma. The cost of the trip is \$60.00, (one-half will be paid by boosters) which includes: lodging, food, T-shirt, and float trip. The retreat was especially created for Senior 4-H members, ages 13-18 or have completed the 7th grade. We will leave from Blaine County early the morning of June 26th. Deadline to sign up is June 7, 2017. \*Teens must be able to swim in order to attend the rafting

retreat.\*

### Monday

|                 |   |
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| 11:00 a.m.      | Registration & greet other counties       |
| 12:00 p.m.      | Eat Lunch                                 |
| 1:00-6:00 p.m.  | Float the Illinois River                  |
| 6:30-7:30 p.m.  | Eat dinner and clean up                   |
| 8:00-11:30 p.m. | Games, Music, Recreation, etc. 11:30 p.m. |
|                 | Review of the day & Vespers               |
| 12:00 a.m.      | Lights Out!!!                             |

### Tuesday

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| 8:00 a.m.       | Breakfast                              |
| 8:30 a.m.       | Clean rooms and pack to go home        |
| 9:00 a.m.       | Guest Speaker &/or team-building games |
| 11:00-12:00p.m. | Depart for home                        |



### Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ M/F: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt size: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies/Medications: \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional forms needed: 4-H Health Forms 1 & 2 with a copy of insurance card attached. Mail or e-mail registration to:**

**Blaine County Extension Office  
212 N Weigle Ave  
Watonga OK 73772  
sandra.maddux@okstate.edu**

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**QUAD – COUNTY 4-H CAMP COUNSELOR APPLICATION**

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **CLUB:** \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ (MUST BE 15 YEARS OF AGE)

Years Attended 4-H Camp \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Years as a Counselor \_\_\_\_\_

**Why I feel I would make a good camp counselor (short paragraph)**

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**If chosen as a camp counselor, I will do the following workshop:** \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*A camp counselor is required to do a fair project workshop. It should be approximately 30 minutes long and will need to be presented twice. You will be reimbursed up to \$20 for your workshop expense. Must provide an original receipt for reimbursement.

**Include complete details on workshop, cost, facilities needed, etc.:**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
4-H Member Signature

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Date

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