Cherokee County Clover Connection
March 2018

TEEN & ADULT LEADERS’ MEETINGS
April 3rd
Where: Cherokee County Extension Office
Time: Teens @ 5:00PM & Adults @ 6:00PM
Who is invited? ALL TEENS, PARENTS, AND ADULT VOLUNTEERS ARE INVITED

Officers DO NOT forget you are expected to be in attendance at all meetings. Upon missing your third meeting you will be replaced on the officer team.

SMALL ANIMAL CLUB MEETING
Where: Cherokee County Extension Office
When: April 3rd at 7:15PM

4-H Cookbooks
We still have 4-H cookbooks for sale. Cookbooks are $10 each. Remember, for every cookbook you sell, you will get $7 into your 4-H account. All money in your account can be used for 4-H events and activities.

CHEROKEE COUNTY SPEECH CONTEST
APRIL 12th
WOOHOOOOO PUBLIC SPEAKERS, you should be getting about polished and ready to ROCK AND ROLL!! Consider taking some time in the next few weeks and give your speech to your class at school. It will get rid of the stage fright and let you know where you need to touch up. The County Speech contest is scheduled for April 12th location TBD at 6:30PM. Consider arriving 15 minutes early to find your room and get settled. Don’t forget all entries are due to the County Extension office no later than April 6th. A flyer with more information is attached to the newsletter.
POP TABS

Guys it's March and pop tabs are rolling in. But we are well short of our goal. Cherokee County, are YOU UP FOR THE CHALLENGE? If we want to be the “BIG DOG” then we have got to quit sitting on the porch! WOOHOOO LETS GET ARE POM POMS out and start promoting the pop tab program. If your club is not actively pushing the pop tab program for the Ronald McDonald House, then what are you waiting for!!!! Let’s make March the month we feature the Pop Tab Collections for the Ronald McDonald house a priority. Do we really want to tell them a county the size of Cherokee County can only collect a few hundred pounds? NO NO NO, I think not!! We have lots of time so let’s GETRRR DONE!!!

Below is a list of current club standings. Way to go Small Animal Club!

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<th>CLUB</th>
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ALUMINUM CAN RECYCLE

The cans continue to arrive. We continue to sell cans as they come in. I know everyone is sipping on Dr. Pepper or Mt. Dew, MMMMM! I could sure use one. Save your cans for 4-H and we will use the proceeds for future trips and activities. If we get our communities behind our endeavor I can easily see this turning into a huge fundraiser for the county.
SHOW PROJECTS
It's getting close to that time of year when we start looking for show projects. If you are going to need me to help find you a project please let me know as soon as possible. We will make several farm visits and livestock sales. I prefer as much time as I can get to make sure we can find something in your budget. The latter we get in the fall, the higher many of our projects get. So please keep that in mind when budgeting for projects. Also, if you are a member of the Cherokee Nation they have a youth grant to help kids with any type of projects they may be participating in. They are currently taking applications until funds run out. You can apply at the Cherokee Nation. For more information you can call their office at 918-453-5347. They have ample opportunities to help kids and not near enough of our youth taking advantage of this great opportunity.

STATE RECORD BOOKS
Don't forget State Record books will be due in the Extension Office no later than April 16th. If you are 14 years of age as of January 1 you are eligible to apply for state awards. There are several of you that had a really great 4-H year, make sure you take the time and effort to get these books filled out properly. If you need help, drop your books by the office and I will read through them and make suggestions. But please do this early! Information regarding State 4-H Record Books can be found at http://4h.okstate.edu/.

Livestock Buyer's Appreciation Dinner
Thursday, April 5th
Community Building at 6:30
All premium sale exhibitors need to bring a dessert

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THE TURTLES ARE HERE!!!!

Annual Cherokee County Turtle Race

May 26, 2018

Adopt a turtle and have a chance to win some CASH & PRIZES!

Make a $5 contribution to the 4-H program and get a chance to win one of 10 prizes. Your $5 will adopt a number on a rubber turtle that will be dropped in the creek at the Tahlequah City Park on May 26th at 11:00AM. The first 10 turtles that pass the finish line will get a prize. Prizes range from $300.00 cash to merchandise valued at $95 or more. All proceeds from the Turtle Race benefit the Cherokee County 4-H program. If 2,500 turtles are sold, the teen leaders get to dump an ice bucket on Carl at 4-H Summer Camp!

What: Turtle Race

When: May 26, 2018

Where: Tahlequah City Park Creek

Time: Last Minute Adoptions 10:00AM to 10:30AM

Race @ 11:00AM

We will be selling turtle tickets at businesses around town. The dates will be sent out soon. We would like any available 4-H member to come out and help with sales. Every turtle sold for $5.00 the 4-H member gets $3.00 placed in an account to use for 4-H events, activities, entry fees and possibly feed for projects if billed to us directly. If you are interested in selling turtles, drop by the office and get your tickets today!
Cherokee County 4-H Speech Rally  
April 12th @ 6:30  
**ONLY ONE Entry per Sheet**

Club: ___________________________  
Name: ___________________________  
Name of Team Member: ________________  
Due Date: April 6th, 2018  
Age as of 1/1/18  
Age as of 1/1/18

**Age Division: (check one)**  
Junior: age 9-11 ___  Intermediate: age 12-14 ___  Senior: age 15-18 ___

**Presentation Type: (check one)**  
Regular Talk _  Illustrated Talk _  Demonstration _  Extemporaneous _  Power Point _
Ind. ___ Team ___  Jr. ___ Sr. ___

Title Regular Talk: ___________________________  
Title of Illustrated or Demonstration: ___________________________

**Demonstration: please circle one:**  
Food  Non-Food  Special Demonstration: circle one:  
Special Bread  Special Dairy  Special Peanut

**Speaker:**  
Appearance (neat, appropriate)  
Voice (clear, fluent, voice control, pronunciation, articulation, projection)  
Poise and Posture (cheerful, confident, and erect)  
Eye Contact  
Comments:

**Presentation:**  
Introduction (short, complete, interesting)  
Organization of Material  
Delivery (smooth, appropriate speed, voice variations)  
Conclusion (adequate and effective)  
General Effect of Presentation  
Interest of Audience

For Illustrated Talks and Demonstrations:  
Proper Use of Visual Aids and Equipment  
Use of Appropriate Materials to “Show” Main Idea  
Props (well managed, neat work space)  
Comments:

**Subject Matter:**  
Originality  
Speaker’s Understanding of Subject Matter  
Suitability of Topic (specific)  
Information (accurate, up-to-date, complete)  
Comments:

Possible Points 25  
Possible Points 50

**Total Points ______**

Note to judges: Please circle the ribbon color and rank the top two in the contest. Upon completion of the contest, give the score sheet to the supervising adult who will collect them.

Circle One:  Blue  Red  White  Placing if one of top two ______

Judges Signature: ___________________________
The purpose of this event is to promote a greater interest of public speaking and to allow 4-H’ers the opportunity to develop and polish their speaking skills. 4-H members are eligible to enter one speech in each of the presentation types: regular talk, illustrated talk, demonstration, extemporaneous speech and power point.

**Age Divisions:**
Juniors: 8 – 11  Intermediate 12 – 14  Seniors 15 and up

* Special Note: Presentation categories may be combined or divided due to participant numbers

**Recommended Speech Length:**
Junior: 3-5 minutes  Intermediate and Senior: 5-7 minutes

**Recommended Illustrated and Demonstration Length:**
Juniors: 3-10 minutes  Intermediate and Senior: 5-12 minutes
Props must be used to qualify for these categories. Demonstration participants will be responsible for providing their own materials and cleaning up the demonstration table following their presentation.

**Extemporaneous Speeches, Power Point and Special Food Demonstration (bread, dairy, and peanut):**

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Guidelines for these categories are available from the Extension office or club leaders.

**Categories**

**Junior: 9-11**
1. Regular Talk
2. Illustrated Talk/Demonstration (Individual and Team)
   Food Demonstration (Individual and Team)

**Intermediate: 12-14**
1. Regular Talk
2. Illustrated Talk/Demonstration (Individual and Team)
   Food Demonstration (Individual and Team)

**Senior: 15 and up**
1. Regular Talk
2. Illustrated Talk/Demonstration (Individual and Team)
   Food Demonstration (Individual and Team)

**Juniors: 9-13**
1. Extemporaneous Speech
2. Power Point
   Special Food Demonstration (bread, dairy, and peanut)

**Seniors: 14 and up**
1. Extemporaneous Speech
2. Power Point
3. Special Food Demonstration (bread, dairy, and peanut)

4-H Summer Camp

When: June 14th—17th
Where: Camp Tulakogee

Do you want to go to 4-H Summer Camp for FREE?

The cost of attending 4-H camp is $40.00. For every ticket you sale you receive $3.00. Sale 14 tickets you go FREE.

If you are interested in selling turtle tickets please come by the office and pick up tickets to sell. The person who checks out the tickets is responsible for bringing in the funds from the tickets sold or the unsold tickets. You have until May 23rd to get tickets sold. The Turtle Race is May 26th at the Tahlequah City Park creek. Race starts at 11:00AM.

Summer Camp registration is from March 1st through May 27th, however we can only take the first 100 members registered. After the first 100 members have signed up you must pay the full registration amount of $110.00. This is a first come, first serve camp. We can’t put your name on the list until your turtle tickets have sold or the money is paid. Don’t procrastinate and miss out on this AWESOME opportunity!

4-H Gardener’s

Come by the office and get free seeds for your garden!
"To Make The Best Better"

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