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NEW 4-H ACTIVITY HELPS MEMBERS LEARN ABOUT VETERANS

Oklahoma 4-H'ers will soon have an opportunity to learn more about the military veterans in their communities.

The Oklahoma Military Hall of Fame Honors Campaign will help club members gain a greater appreciation of local veterans, said Cathleen Taylor, state leadership and citizenship specialist with the State 4-H Office at Oklahoma State University.

The Oklahoma Military Hall of Fame Honors Campaign is a special community based effort to recognize local military veterans. This is a new joint effort between the Oklahoma Military Hall of Fame and the Oklahoma 4-H Youth Development Program.

"It's important for us to understand the stories of our veterans and the sacrifices they've made for all of us. This campaign helps bring the power of citizenship to life," Taylor said. "We're in the early planning stages of this new opportunity, but by getting the word out early, counties can begin thinking about the veterans they can get involved with our youth. We especially want to recognize our former 4-H'ers who are veterans."

A special in-service for Extension educators will take place Dec. 5 in

Cleveland County, so this gives clubs from across the state plenty of time to develop a list of local veterans. At the in-service, educators will learn how to train 4-H members to do the interviews with veterans to get information about their service.

"Oftentimes, veterans may find it painful to talk about some of their experiences because the memories can be difficult. We'll help participants craft a list of questions that will help the 4-H'er get to know the veteran as a person and help them understand the veteran's perspective of military service to our nation. We want to show them our appreciation for everything they've done for our country."

Major General (retired) Douglas Dollar founded the Oklahoma Military Heritage Foundation in 1999 and has worked to recognize Oklahoma veterans, both living and deceased, who serve or have served in the military, with records of extraordinary service to the country.

Taylor said the organization inducts 10 Oklahoma veterans into the Oklahoma Military Hall of Fame. Gen. Dollar sponsored two tables for 4-H'ers at this event late last year as a way to introduce them to this great service project.

Since 1999, the OKMHF has recognized nearly 200 local heroes and groups from the Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, NASA and Frontiersmen.

"This is a wonderful project for our club members and a great opportunity for media coverage for your club," she said. "Your local newspapers, as well as radio and TV stations, may be interested in doing a story on your efforts due to the human-interest angle. This also is an opportunity to highlight your club's activities on social media."

For more information about getting involved in the Oklahoma Military Hall of Fame Honors Campaign, or to submit names of local veterans, contact Taylor at 405-744-8888 or email at cathleen.taylor@okstate.edu.



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DATES TO REMEMBER

Science Club	Feb. 6
4-H Science Night at the Museum	Feb. 15-16
OK Healthy Living Ambassador Application	Feb. 15-18
Job Readiness & Public Speaking Contests	Feb. 25
Garfield Co. Spring Stock Show	Feb. 28-March 2
Science Club	March 6
NW District Show	March 6-11
OYE	March 13-22
State 4-H Ambassador Applications Due	March 15
Special Clovers App.	March 22-24
Science Club	April 3
4-H National Conf.	April 6-11
Impressive Dress & Fashion Revue	April 10
State Record Books Due	April 12
Zoo Snooze	April 12-13
West Dist. Trap Shoot	May 11
State 4-H Parent-Volunteer Conf.	June 22
State 4-H Roundup	July 23-26
State 4-H Wheat Show	July 23
West Dist. Lead. Conf.	Oct. 16-18

NEXT PLO MEETING

FEBRUARY 18, 2019
AT 5:30 P.M.

2018-19 COUNTY OFFICERS

President—Natalie Haggard

Vice President—Brianna Deeds

Secretary—Madison Nickels

Reporter—Bailey Hoeltzel

Rec./Song Leaders—

Madison Postier and Ethan Haggard

Executives—Kaitlyn Booth and Morgan Meyer

2019 SPRING LIVESTOCK SHOW DATES

Garfield County Show	Feb. 28-March 2
NW District Show	March 6-11
	(Online entries due by February 11)
OYE Show	March 13-22
	(Online entries due by February 22)

STATE 4-H AMBASSADOR APPLICATIONS

The 2019 State 4-H Ambassador application is posted on the State 4-H website.

<http://4h.okstate.edu/leadership/4-h-ambassadors/becoming-an-ambassador/becoming-an-ambassador>

Any youth currently involved and active in 4H Online, who is 13 years of age or older by March 15th, 2019, and still has at least one year of high school remaining, is eligible to apply.

Applications are due March 15th.

STATE 4-H PARENT-VOLUNTEER CONFERENCE

Save the Date: June 22, 2019

Location: OSU Campus, Stillwater, Okla.

Theme: SURGE! - 4-H Volunteers Making Connections Matter

Conference workshops and programming will focus on identifying the science, technology, engineering, art and math connections in 4-H projects and programming. Parents and volunteers will gain greater confidence in helping youth connect science to everyday living, 4-H clubs and project work.

Conference Objectives:

Strengthen	Connection of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (S.T.E.A.M.) in clubs and project work.
Unite	Youth and adults in a partnership of shared leadership.
Recruit	Identify and train volunteers (project leaders) to successfully recognize and apply S.T.E.A.M. to programming and projects.
Grow	Increased understanding and application of S.T.E.A.M. in all 4-H Youth Development efforts.
Energize	Parental and volunteer confidence in planning and leading project groups.

SCIENCE CLUB DATES SET



February 6th, March 6th, & April 3rd @ 4:30 p.m.
Come have fun and learn with other 4-H members.

STATE RECORD BOOKS AND AWARD APPLICATIONS

Senior 4-H members: You should be working on state record books and award applications! All are due to the county office **APRIL 12th**. If you would like help and for me to review them, start sending them **NOW!** You can send pieces at a time. If you would like to schedule a time to look at your critique sheet from last year, please call the office.

Anyone in the 10th or 11th grade can apply for National Congress.

Anyone 15 and older can apply for Key Club. This is a great honor and once a member, allows you to be eligible for more scholarships.

Anyone 14 by September 1, 2018 can apply for the Enid News and Eagle Award.

For more info on awards, go to:

<http://4h.okstate.edu/awards/2019-awards-information/2019projectobjectivesbook.pdf>

GARFIELD COUNTY PUBLIC SPEAKING & JOB READINESS CONTESTS

All participants may present a talk, an illustrated presentation, a team demonstration or any two. Divisions are listed in the green 4-H yearbook on pages 25 and 26.

The Job Readiness, an individual event, recognizes members who satisfactorily complete a job application form, participate in an interview, and communicate a personal understanding of an ability to perform specific job requirements. Grades in this contest are Intermediate—6-8th grades and Advanced—9-12th grades.

The Public Speaking and Job Readiness contests will be held February 25, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at Kremlin-Hillsdale School.

(ENTRY FORM IS ON PAGE 4 OF THIS NEWSLETTER)

**JOB READINESS CONTEST – FEBRUARY 25, 2019
ENTRY FORM
Due February 15, 2019**

Name _____

Club _____

Intermediate (6th-8th) _____ Senior (9th-12th) _____

A packet is available with instructions for this contest at the office.

**PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST – FEBRUARY 25, 2019
ENTRY FORM
Due February 15, 2019**

Name _____ Club _____

Phone _____

Topic _____

_____ Cloverbuds (5-8) _____ Junior (3rd-5th)

_____ Intermediate (6th-8th) _____ Senior (9th-12th)

_____ Regular _____ Illustrated Presentation _____ Team Presentation _____ Extemporaneous

_____ PowerPoint _____ Jr (3rd-8th) _____ Sr (9th-12th)

Intermediates and Seniors can only do Extemporaneous if they enter one of the above categories too.

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