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4-H MUSIC CORPS TO DEBUT NEW CD AT STATE 4-H ROUNDUP

The 98th State 4-H Roundup is just around the corner. It is no secret that Roundup is steeped in tradition. Hall of Fame inductees will be revealed. A slate of new state officers will be announced. Numerous club members will be named state record book and scholarship winners. There will be a slew of educational workshops that take place July 24-26 at Oklahoma State University.

While 4-H Roundup will stick to its roots and long-standing traditions, there will be something new on the agenda this year. The Oklahoma 4-H Music Corps has been working long and hard on a project, and delegates to Roundup are the first to be able to purchase the group's newly released CD called 4-H Strong, which also is the title of the first song.

Comprised of 18 original songs, the CD will be available for \$20 during Pete's Picnic July 24. It also will be available on iTunes soon.

Mike Carter, Pittsburg County OSU Cooperative Extension 4-H educator, said this project has been a labor of love for members of the Music Corps.

"There's a lot of emotion in the songs on this CD," Carter said. "We want to take the listeners to as many different places as possible. I can't even begin to tell you how proud I am of these young people, and all the hard work they've put into this effort, which truly come from the heart."

Putting together a CD was something members of 4-H Music Corps had wanted from the very beginning. The group

attended multiple songwriting symposiums and they worked on their own to create new and original music. With enough original material, the group decided it was time to start the recording project.

Carter said it is one thing to get together as a group and perform music, but it is something else to actually produce a product that can be sold.

"No matter what we do in 4-H Music Corps, it's all youth development. That's just the way it is with everything we do in 4-H," he said. "Putting together this CD is no different and it was new educational experience for them. Music is another way to develop our youth, it's more than entertainment."

Carter credits Craig White, owner of White Rose Studio in Guthrie, Oklahoma, for capturing the sound the group wanted. White has been involved in the Oklahoma music scene for years.

"Part of the process is getting the right people around these musicians and helping them discover what music can be," he said. "It's not just about singing the songs and playing the instruments. It's learning about microphones, sound mixing and the whole recording process. It took us about 20 hours to lay down the tracks and most songs were done in just one or two takes."

Callee Hammer, a 4-H'er from Roger Mills County, has been a member of the group for three years. She said her involvement has had a big impact on her life.

"My view of music has changed," Hammer said. "It used to be a hobby, but now it's a priority. When I go to college, I want to major in music industrialization/music therapy."

Carter pointed out one of the songs, Bulletproof, was not actually finished until about the middle of the recording session. Another song, Make You Smile Again, was written on several crumpled pieces of paper.

"Are we perfect? No. But, perfect imperfections make us who we are," he said. "This music is real, and it'll touch you. And as long as kids keep auditioning for 4-H Music Corps, we'll keep doing it. I hope this CD brings more awareness to our group and hopefully we'll put out another CD as soon as we have another collection of songs. The 4th Annual Music Camp is scheduled in September."

Carter is not the only driving force behind Oklahoma 4-H Music Corps. He has a team of educators that assists in various ways. John Holman and Jeff Sallee, who have been on board since the beginning; Sarah Hammer, Volunteer Coordinator; along with the families of the group members and the Oklahoma 4-H Foundation all make this happen. He said none of this would have been possible without their support.

For more information about Oklahoma 4-H Music Corps, contact Carter at 918-423-4120 or email at mike.carter@okstate.edu.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Jewelry Making W/S	July 11
Beginner Sewing Class	July 17-18
State 4-H Roundup	July 23-26
State 4-H Wheat Show	July 23
PLO Meeting	July 29
Science Fun Day	July 31
Jr. Record Books Due	Aug. 5
Garfield Co. Fair	Sep. 4-8
Oklahoma State Fair	Sep. 12-22
Tulsa State Fair	Sep. 26-Oct. 6
West Dist. Lead. Conf.	Oct. 16-18



Next PLO Meeting
July 29, 2019
at 5:30 p.m.

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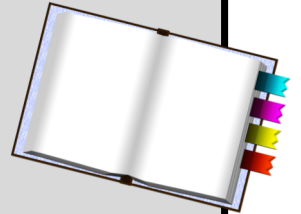
- ◆ President— Madison Nickels
- ◆ V. President—Morgan Meyer
- ◆ Secretary—Ethan Haggard
- ◆ Reporter—Summer Prince
- ◆ Rec./Song Leaders—Bailey Hoeltzel & Kylee Sutherland
- ◆ Executives—Kember Sloat & Hayden Deeds

JUNIOR RECORD BOOKS

DUE TO 4-H OFFICE: AUGUST 5, 2019

**The form for the junior record book
 is located on our
 Garfield County website -**

oces.okstate.edu/garfield



2019-2020 ENROLLMENT

~~NEW THIS YEAR~~

Enrollment for the new 4-H year will begin August 1, 2019. Anyone that is 8 AND in the 3rd grade or 9 years old may join 4-H. Members must be enrolled 30 days prior to compete in a county event and 60 days prior to compete in a state event. Enrollment is not complete until the \$20 enrollment fee is paid.

Remember: DO NOT CREATE A NEW PROFILE IF YOU ARE CURRENTLY ENROLLED. If you need help logging in, please call the office. The website to enroll is ok.4honline.com.

Oklahoma 4-H

UPCOMING SUMMER WORKSHOPS

*July 11th, 2:00-4:00: Jewelry making workshop – Design a necklace or bracelet. **Sign-up by July 3rd.**

*July 17th – July 18th, 10:00 – 3:00: Beginner Sewing class – This is for those wanting to learn to sew. Youth will make several items. Bring a lunch! Cost is \$15. **Sign-up by July 5th.**

*July 31st, 10:00 – 2:00: Science fun day – Science Club leaders will be doing several science activities. Bring a lunch! **Sign-up by July 19th.**

COUNTY AND STATE FAIR INFO

Garfield County Fair—September 4-9, 2019

Oklahoma State Fair—September 12-22, 2019

If you or your club are interested in doing an interactive booth at the OKC State Fair, applications are available and due to the state office August 30th. Contact the office for more information.

Tulsa State Fair—September 26-October 6, 2019



4-H ROUNDUP STILLWATER

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