County Livestock Show to Begin February 19th

It is time for the annual Okmulgee County Spring Livestock Show. FFA members and 4-H students will round up their prize livestock projects and travel to the county fairgrounds for this annual event. This will run from Thursday, February 19th to Tuesday, February 24, 2015.

All of the county livestock exhibitors met back in December with their animals to nominate their livestock projects for this year's show. Over 80 pigs, 80 goats and sheep, and 100 beef animals were entered. The first show will be held on Thursday, February 19th, 2015 beginning at 9:00 a.m. The goats will be shown on Thursday morning. The sheep exhibitors will showcase their animals following the goat show. The Swine show will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, February 20th, 2015 with Showmanship competition. Beef Performance animals will be exhibited on Friday evening beginning at 7:00 pm February 20th. The Heifer and Steer show will begin at 11:00 am Saturday. The top placing animals will be selected for the premium auction. These animals will be presented by the exhibitor at the premium sale on Tuesday, February 24th, 2015. A BBQ dinner will be available for prospective buyers beginning at 5:30 pm. Food will be served until the auction begins at 7:00 pm. The premium auction is an opportunity to award students for their hard work and efforts. Proceeds from the premium sale go directly to the students. This is the only prize money that they receive at the county level.

Trophy sponsors for this year's event are: Beggs Telephone Company; Beggs Lions Club; Osage Hill HCE club; Pill Box Pharmacy, Sapulpa; Arnold Brothers Mini-Storage; Lawrence and Linda McCullah; Ed and Rita Lee; Pinkston Farms, Twin Hills; B-5 Enterprises, Morris; American Heritage Bank, Beggs; Liberty Club Lambs; Jim and Carla Pilkington, Sapulpa; Dale and Sue Flanagan, Golden Farms, Henryetta, State Representative Steve Kouplen; Robison Cattle Company; Deep Fork Cattle Company; Langford Herefords; Jim Hall, Oklahoma Farm Bureau Insurance; Dixon Farms; Ledbetter Farm and Ranch; Scott and Kim McCullah; Rick and Ronna Fryhover; Cross W Angus; Edmonds Veterinary Services; Roger Ballenger; Allen and Renee Callahan; Turner Shorthorns; Gibson Cattle Company;

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The premium sale dinner is sponsored by Walke Brothers of Claremore. The Hospitality table is sponsored by Okmulgee County Sheriff, Eddie Rice. Linda Boydston of Magical Moments Photography of Morris will be providing the photography for the exhibitors and sponsors at the premium sale. Exhibitor's livestock portraits are sponsored by McClendon/Winters Funeral Homes. Okmulgee County Farm Bureau Agents Jim Hall and Ed Canaday provide the buckets for each exhibitor in the premium sale.

Admission to all of the shows is free and open to the public. The show arena is heated, and enclosed. Come on out to the fairgrounds and support our 4-H and FFA youth.