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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

05 Nov 2020: Leadership Development Training **CANCELLED**

06 Nov 2020: 9:30 a.m. "Why Buy Local?" Leader Lesson, Courtney DeKalb, "Cleveland County Horticulturist"

MARCH OHCE LEADER LESSON RESCHEDULED FOR NOV 6th

"Why Buy Local?", the leader lesson postponed from March, will be held Friday, November 6th, 9:30am at the OSU Extension Center. It will also be available simultaneously on Zoom. Presenter Courtney DeKalb, Horticulture Educator from Cleveland County, will be discussing ways to support your local farmers. She will also share with us why locally grown food is better, and learn about the economic, nutritional and flavor perspectives that are now trending. Due to social distancing limitations, you must call the Extension Center and register if you plan to attend in person. Space is limited. If you plan to watch on Zoom, please let us know, so we can email you the handouts if your group is not meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://dasnr.zoom.us/j/91525482606>

Meeting ID: 915 2548 2606

25 Nov 2020: Cancelled Holiday Luncheon

Thought for The Day: Caring about the happiness of others, we find our own. -Plato

DEADLINE FOR JAN 2021

NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN



Well here we are at the last newsletter of 2020. It is also the last time I will be sharing my thoughts with you. When 2020 comes to a close, so will my tenure as your county president. I want to thank each of you for allowing me to serve as your leader for the last three years. I have so enjoyed working with you, sharing with you and learning from you.

On October 9th, I attended the dedication ceremony for the greenhouse and teaching gardens at the extension center. You may remember that as a county we made a donation to the project. I hope you will take time to enjoy the grounds. The staff and volunteers have done a great job on the project.

We are currently working on the yearbook, so if you have any dates or changes please send to me by November 2nd. The plan is to have the yearbooks ready before the year's end. If your group has not submitted your list of officers and committee members, it is past due. Please submit to Lisa. We still have vacancies at the county level. If you would be willing to serve, please let myself or Lisa know.

I pray you have a blessed holiday season and a joy filled new year! Thank you again, Oklahoma County OHCE. You have been a blessing to me!



2020-2021 *Memorial Service*

Jan Beattie

Our annual Memorial Service to honor our deceased members will be held during our annual *Awards and Achievement Luncheon* in April 29, 2021. To date, I have received notification of the deaths of eleven:

Laura Robinson from 3Es

Ray Ridlen Oklahoma County Extension Horticulturist

Judith Irwin from Genealogy Group.

Grace Otto from NW Seekers/Council Grove

Sonja Frazier Wilson from Learn and Serve and Modern Homemakers

Barbara Kitchens from Las Amigas/Will Rogers

Mike Miller from Genealogy Group

Betty Geis from Genealogy Group

Dorothy Driver from Las Amigas/Will Rogers and past county president passed away on September 22, 2020 at the age of 102.

Betty Kill from Cardinal Group *and*

Sharon Fore from Genealogy Group

If you have any photographs, special memories or anecdotes of any of the deceased, kindly let me know. *I am particularly in need of photos and information for Betty Kill.*

If your group has lost a member of which we are not aware, please let me know so they can be remembered during the service. I can be contacted by email at jankb80@sbcglobal.net or by phone (405) 513-4014. Thank you.

THE GENEALOGY GROUP

By Kathy Fetters

The Genealogy group met on Wednesday, October 21, at the extension center. We had 3 visitors and 13 members present. After our pledge to the flags President Jan Beattie presented her October Quick Tip which covered information on the 1890 US Veteran Schedule, which can be used to help fill in for the destroyed 1890 US Federal Census. This tip can be found on our website: www.ohcegenealogy.com.

Our speaker was Sydney Clinton Holt, who followed up his September presentation about finding his great great grandfather's grave with the details of how he hit a brick wall on that great-great-grandfather and could not find out who was his father. Using DNA, the internet and help from a researcher exploring their own slave ancestor he was able to locate a will that named this great-great grandfather as his son. That gave him the link he needed to break through that wall and connect his family to three more generations and back to England. It was interesting to see the transcribed will of one of his descendants that listed three pages of inventory including furniture, livestock and, as found in many southern states during the 1700's, slaves. Mr. Holt also gave an interesting side talk about Fort Sill, and it's history.

Our group will meet next on Thursday, November 19th to hear a presentation on "Using Ancestry.com".

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION TO BOX TOPS FAMILY EDUCATION

By Freda Cunningham

Over the last 23 years, more than 70,000 K-8 schools across the United States have earned \$913 million through the Box Tops for Education (BTFE) program.

If you have a cell phone or iPad with the new Box Top app, we can continue being a part of the program that will strengthen schools for generations to come.

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Twice a year, your school will receive a check and can use that cash to buy whatever it needs. For a complete list of participating products visit: BTFE.com. When your cash register receipt is scanned, ten cents will automatically be given credit for participating products.

You will need to have set up a Landing Page with Username, Password, and Sign in which it will remember each time you scan in a receipt in the Box Tops Family Sharing program.

Some of the participating businesses like: JoAnn's, Michaels, Kohl's, Hobby Lobby, Walmart, Target, Sam's, Old Navy, Aldi, Dollar General, Bed Bath & Beyond, Pet Smart, My Bath & Body Works, CVS Pharmacy, Sprouts, Costco, Target and Carter's, to name a few.

Register your school @ Box Tops for Education, Consumer Register Page.

Scan your receipts using your iPhone or iPad at btfe.com.

How much your school will receive depends upon your remembering to scan your receipts.

OHCE INFORMATION

Greenhouse Opening



Photo Courtesy of Oklahoma State University

DOROTHY MAE (SHEASLEY) DRIVER JUNE 12, 1918-SEPTEMBER 22, 2020



Dorothy Driver celebrating her 100th birthday, June 2018

Las Amigas/Will Rogers OHCE member, Dorothy Driver passed away last month at the age of 102. She was an active member of OHCE, interested especially in volunteering with the Raising Young Readers Program. Dorothy was a passionate advocate for young children, serving as the original director for Oklahoma County Head Start, an early childhood program founded by First Lady Ladybird Johnson in the 1960's. She shared that passion in 2015, by speaking at the Oklahoma County Budget Board luncheon, educating the county elected officials about OHCE's involvement with reading to disadvantaged young children. More recently, in 2018 and 2020, she donated her grandmother's beautiful 1911 bowl for workshops and leader lessons on Depression and Carnival Glass. She was a force to be reckoned with and a great example of a life well-lived.

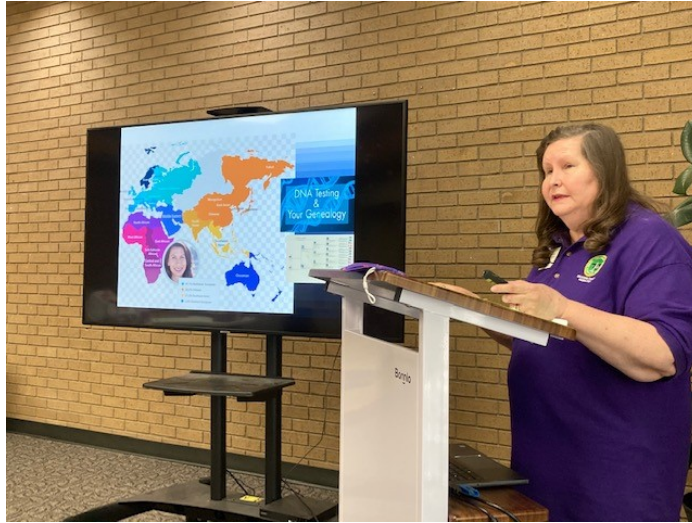
**Proposed New Direction For 2021 Social Committee
By Jan Bohannon**

As we all know, COVID has prevented us from gathering as before. As a result, the Social Committee has not been able to provide those tasty and fun-filled snacks and lunches. As one of the goals of the Social Committee is to "promote unity", a suggestion is to engage in creative ways to promote unity without jeopardizing our health.

A monthly "Unity Project" is an option. But, I will need help. If you would like to help me with this project, or would like more information, please contact me at 405.408.5393. Thank You.

OCT 2020 LEADER LESSON

OHCE Genealogy President, Jan Beattie, taught the October leader lesson, “DNA – What is it and How Can it Work For You?”. Jan traveled to Garvin, McClain and Cleveland counties to present the lesson as well. Thank you Jan!



OHCE Groups Can Meet at Extension Center

Any group that needs a larger space to have their monthly meeting, may use the Extension Conference Center. Please call Janet at 713-1125 to reserve the building.