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Scholarship fundraiser with Quilt Block Challenge contest

A Quilt Block Challenge Contest will be featured at the 2015 Cleveland County Free Fair. The contest is sponsored by the Cleveland County Oklahoma Home and Community Education, a nonprofit organization, and the winner will be determined by viewer's choice voting. All entrants must use the designated fabric provided by the OHCE for part of the quilt block. Exhibitors may add any other 100 percent cotton quilting fabrics to complete the block. Any design may be used from the 12 1/2 by 12 1/2 block.

Quilt block kits are available at the Cleveland County OSU Extension office, 601 E. Robinson. There is a \$5 participation fee due when the fabric is picked up. The blocks will need to be turned in on Wednesday, Sept. 9, between 3 and 8 p.m. in the North East Room of the Arts and Crafts Building. After the fair, the quilt blocks will be made into a quilt. The finished quilt will be raffled off at the 2016 Cleveland County Free Fair. Winners will not need to be present to win. All proceeds will be used for graduating high school scholarships that are sponsored by the Cleveland County OHCE.

For questions, contact Brenda Hill at 321-4774 or by email at brenda.hill@okstate.edu.

LIFT social planned

Living Information for Today

(LIFT) is a social event for widows and widowers sponsored by Primrose Funeral Service and Sunset Memorial Park. Our meeting this month will be at First Baptist's "Garden of Eatin'" and the meal will be furnished by the church from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. July 23.

On August 27, there will be a Murder Mystery Dinner at Primrose Event Center. More information will come later.

RSVP to 321-6000. The LIFT sewing group meets from 9 a.m. to noon on the first Thursday of every month at the Primrose event center.

Girl Scouts Western Oklahoma launches STEM

Devon Energy and Girl Scouts Western Oklahoma officially launched the new GeoScience STEM curriculum partnership for girls last Saturday at the Girl Scout Geekapalooza event in Oklahoma City.

Hundreds of girls and their families experienced the program first-hand as they worked through the Brownie level activity kit titled "Classifying Rocks and Rock Making." At one table, girls looked at and analyzed various rocks and gems, identifying minerals, sediments and other materials within each stone. Girls then had the opportunity to make three types of sedimentary rocks: sandstone, limestone, and shale, the types of rocks and rock beds where oil and natural gas are held.

The Devon GeoScience Program kits provide these hands-on activities personalized specifically for each Girl Scout program level. The kits include detailed instructions to assist

volunteers and leaders as they work through activities with the girls, who will have the opportunity to earn the Devon Energy GeoScience patch.

For more information about the Devon GeoSciences curriculum, contact info@gswestok.org or call 528-GIRL (4475).

Free developmental and autism screenings to be offered

Parents concerned about their child's developmental progress can receive free developmental and autism screenings this month through a program offered by Rainbow Fleet and the OU Health Science Center.

The screenings will test a child's development in several skills areas including language, cognitive, gross motor, fine motor, personal and social. Child development specialists, speech/language pathologists and behavioral health specialists will conduct the screenings. Autism screenings are also available.

The developmental and autism screenings are available for children ages 0 to 6 and will be July 29 at Rainbow Fleet, 3024 Paseo. Call 521-1426 or 1-800-438-0008 to schedule an appointment.

A parent or legal guardian must accompany the child during the screening process.

Germans from Russia state meeting Aug. 8

The All State Meeting of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia will be 10 a.m. Aug. 8 at Fairview M.B. Church, 1600 E. State Road (Highway 58) in Fairview.

The theme for the day is "Lands of Our Ancestors, Faiths of Our Ancestors." The morning sessions will be a presentation by Jon Reiff on the emigration of his cousins from Russia to Germany and also a presentation by the Cherokee Strip Regional History Center Archivist, Aaron Preston. There will be a potluck lunch at noon followed with a presentation by Howard Foote on Protestant Reformation and church history. Also a report from the National Convention at Billings Montana in July.

Public is invited to attend. For more information, contact Harold Penner at 752-0390.

Safely prepare chicken products

The Oklahoma State Department of Health has joined public health officials in two other states and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to investigate a food-borne outbreak of Salmonella Enteritidis associated with pre-packaged stuffed chicken products. Ten cases in three states include a case in Oklahoma. Several brands of frozen, raw chicken products have been recalled, including Barber Foods, Meijer, Sysco and Omaha Steaks.

Oklahomans should check their freezers for the recalled frozen, stuffed chicken entrees (chicken Kiev, chicken cordon bleu, and chicken with broccoli and cheese). The recalled products, regardless of brand, will have one of the following two numbers on the packaging: "P-276" or "P-4230A." These products should not be prepared or eaten.

— Transcript Staff