



September 2024

CARTER COUNTY
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Carter County Ag Advisory

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Upcoming Events

- **September 3-7: Carter County Free Fair**
 - Hardy Murphy Coliseum, Ardmore
- **September 10: Master Gardener Meeting**
 - 6-8pm, location TBD
- **September 12-20: Oklahoma State Fair**
- **September 18: CCJLS Board Meeting**
 - 5:30pm at the Extension Office
- **September 18: CCJLS Ambassador Applications due by 5pm (see CCJLS website)**
- **September 19: Fall Pecan Field Day**
 - Register by Sept. 16th- call the office!
- **September 24: Fall Floral Workshop**
 - 6-8pm at the extension office
 - Limited to 15 participants! Call to register by September 16th!
- **September 28: Community Plant Swap**
 - 9-11am at Marketplace on Broadway
- **October 1: Bat Box Workshop**
 - 6-8pm at the Extension Office
- **October 3-4: State Master Gardener Conference**
- **October 8-10: OSU Rural Renewal Symposium**
 - Lake Murray Resort, Ardmore, OK
 - Call the office for registration info!

Your Local Office

Address:

25 A Street NW, Suite 200
Ardmore, OK 73401

Phone: (580) 223-6570

Website:

<https://extension.okstate.edu/county/carter/>

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Field Day and Pesticide CEU Credit Opportunity coming in October- Stay Tuned!



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Ag News

Take Advantage of Value Added Practices via OQBN Sales

What is OQBN?

Oklahoma Quality Beef Network

Why OQBN?

In partnership with the Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association, OSU Extension offers the OQBN Network for beef producers, educators, veterinarians and industry professionals to elevate animal quality standards and improve communication between all segments of Oklahoma's beef industry. Implementing OQBN requirements has increased the value of program-certified cattle by \$5.9 million from 2010-2023.

OQBN benefits include verification of management practices, potential increased market value, reduced calf stress, increased calf health and performance. The program also supports alignment with appropriate value-added cattle markets and increased marketing opportunities at local sale facilities.

How to Qualify to Sell in Special OQBN Sales?

To learn more about the OQBN program and apply for certification this fall, contact Paul Vining, OQBN coordinator, at 405-744-4268 or paul.vining@okstate.edu or contact your county Ag Educator, Stephanie at 580-223-6570 or stephanie.q.smith@okstate.edu.

OQBN Sale Schedule

OKC West Livestock, El Reno

- Nov. 5
- Nov. 19
- Dec. 10
- Jan. 21, 2025

McAlester Union Stockyards

- Nov. 12
- Feb. 4, 2025
- April 8, 2025

Payne County Stockyards, Perkins

- Nov. 13

Southern Plains Livestock, Blackwell

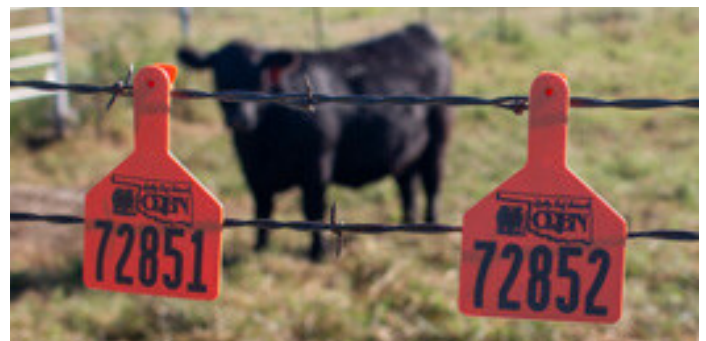
- Nov. 25

LeFlore County Livestock, Wister

- Dec. 7

Big Iron Auctions, online

- Nov. 19





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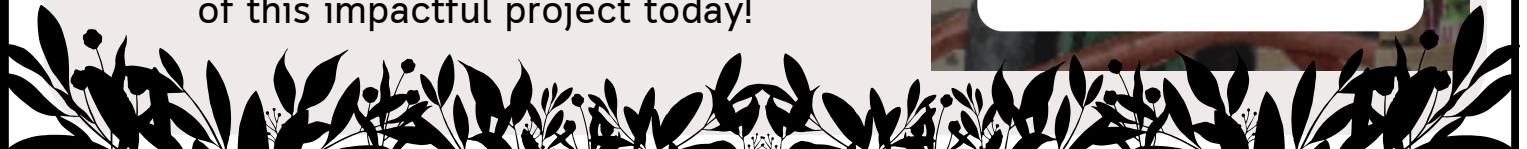
Hort Notes

September Horticulture Tips from Master Gardener, Pat Neasbitt

- Take advantage of special “end of season” sales at garden centers and nurseries. The soil will still be warm enough throughout the fall to plant perennials, ornamental grasses, shrubs, and trees.
- Order spring-flowering bulbs now so they can be planted between Halloween and Thanksgiving. Buy bulbs now and store them in the refrigerator until planting time.
- Prep houseplants to move inside by moving them to shadier spots so they will acclimatize to lower light. This will prevent shock and leaf loss when you move them inside.
- Continue to plant cool-season vegetables throughout September:
 - lettuce, radish, mustard, spinach
- Plant Swiss chard, garlic, and turnips before September 15th.
- DO NOT fertilize trees, shrubs, or ornamentals as this will prevent them from going into dormancy. Fertilizer will also cause new leaf and shoot growth rather than root growth, making them less prepared to survive the winter.
- DO NOT prune spring-blooming trees and shrubs! They will not bloom next spring if pruned now.
 - forsythia, redbud, mock orange, rhododendron, viburnum, bigleaf & oakleaf hydrangeas

MLK Community Garden Seeks Board Members and Volunteers

Scan the QR code to become a volunteer or a board member for the MLK Community Garden located in Ardmore. OSU Extension is partnering with the Strength in Numbers Foundation to revitalize the community garden. We need YOUR help- become a part of this impactful project today!





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Featured Article

Corporate Transparency Act

Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association

Does your cattle operation have 20 employees or less and is it a corporation, limited liability company (LLC), partnership or was formed as another type of entity by filing a document with the secretary of state?

IF SO, PLEASE READ BELOW....

In 2021, Congress passed the Corporate Transparency Act with the goal of exposing financial crimes by requiring the reporting of who owns or controls companies. In theory, the law would help the government uncover illegal activity, specifically illegal foreign owned entities, by knowing the identity behind otherwise generically named companies.

Who must file: Any producer whose farm or ranch employs 20 employees or less, is a corporation, limited liability company (LLC), partnership, or was formed as another type of entity by filing a document with the secretary of state or similar state office is required to file a Beneficial Ownership Report with FinCEN.

When to file: Companies that were registered before January 1, 2024, have until January 1, 2025, to file their report. Any companies created between January 1, 2024, and January 1, 2025, have 90 days from their creation or registration with the state to submit this report to FinCEN. Additionally, any updates or corrections to beneficial ownership information must be submitted within 30 days.

Where to file: To comply with the Corporate Transparency Act, you must fill out a form online at <https://www.fincen.gov/boi>. The form will require your name, date of birth, residential or business address, and a unique identifying number like your driver's license or passport number.

It's recommended to consult your attorney.

Call 580-223-6570 for more information and resources.

Agriculture & Horticulture Community Needs Assessment

What are things you want to learn more about? What can we do to better serve Carter County?

Please scan the QR code to answer a short survey and help the extension office to focus our programming and outreach efforts in the coming year.

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