

AgrAbility e-Note Information Gathering Sheet

The *AgrAbility e-Note* is a monthly newsletter designed to share information among the various AgrAbility projects.

National AgrAbility Project (NAP) News

(e.g., project updates, grants received, training conducted)

State and Regional AgrAbility Project (SRAP) News

(e.g., successful AgrAbility project practices, grants received, awards, training conducted)

ARTHRITIS TRAINING MODULE PILOT FIELD TESTED

Oklahoma AgrAbility staff, Jan Johnston and Sandra Stevenson, launched the first pilot field test of training modules to 23 OHCE members in Mayes County with Family Consumer Sciences Educator, Jan Dawson on February 13, 2013. Module 1 targeted Arthritis. Oklahoma AgrAbility created the Training Modules to provide Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service's Extension Educators with teaching materials that complement OCES Impact Teams that address issues across the state of Oklahoma.

CONNECTING YOUTH, AGRICULTURE AND ACCOMMODATIONS

Sandra Stevenson, Assistive Technology Professional and Program Manager for Oklahoma AgrAbility conducted a hands-on, interactive training for six 4-H Club members and six adults in Delaware County in conjunction with Family Consumer Sciences Educator, Barbara Denney and 4-H/Youth Educator, Debra Gaines on February 13, 2013. Participants learned about proper disability etiquette, people first language, and simple grip accommodations. Each practiced tailoring grips for garden tools, hammers, and created their own make n' take pencil grip. Training was held at the Zena Suri Alpaca farm owned by Tom and Kathleen Callan, who provided the group with a tour and special introduction to Cornucopia, an alpaca that utilizes a prosthetic leg provided by 4-H Club Leader Beverly Helms owner/operator of Grand Prosthetics. Cornucopia assisted Stevenson while teaching about accommodations and assistive technologies.



Linda Jaco, Oklahoma AgrAbility Co-Director, provided training to 46 returning veterans at the Veterans Entrepreneurial Program on February 7, 2013. Jaco also presented on February 15, 2013 to 50 OSU School of Osteopathic student considering rural residency programs throughout Oklahoma.

Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service's NW District Program Specialist, Recia Garcia, represented the AgrAbility Project at the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry's "Oklahoma Farmers Markets and Plasticulture Workshop: Growing in tough times" held on February 9, 2013. Approximately 200 attendees participated.

Other News

(e.g., manufactured assistive technologies, practical technical solutions, websites of interest, journal articles, reports)

Staff Changes

(e.g., hellos, goodbyes, promotions, congratulations)

Welcome Emily Dye! Emily joined the team in February as a technical writer while completing her graduate studies at Oklahoma State University.

AgrAbility in the News

(e.g., published or broadcast news stories about AgrAbility and/or its clients)

Date	January 2013
Publication	SUNUP
Title	Oklahoma AgrAbility and Oklahoma Cooperative Extension
Web link	http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JxwiJ-rvC6Q
Programs mentioned	Oklahoma AgrAbility

Upcoming Events

(e.g., professional association meetings/conferences, seminars, and workshops)

Name	Oklahoma AgrAbility Day at the Capitol
Dates	March 25, 2013
City, State	Oklahoma City, OK
Contact Info/web link	www.agrability.okstate.edu

Upcoming Events (e.g., professional association meetings/conferences, seminars, and workshops)	
Name	Oklahoma Ag Leadership – Class XVI Seminar 6 – Legislative Tour
Dates	March 2-9, 2013
City, State	Washington D.C.
Contact Info/web link	sandra.stevenson@okstate.edu

Upcoming Events (e.g., professional association meetings/conferences, seminars, and workshops)	
Name	Oklahoma Home and Community Education District Meetings
Dates	March 6, 22, 26, 28, 2013
City, State	McAlester, Perry, Muskogee, Weatherford, OK
Contact Info/web link	OCES District Program Specialists – Family Consumer Sciences NW District – Recia Garcia recia.garcia@okstate.edu NE District – Brenda Miller brenda.miller@okstate.edu SW District – Gloria King gloria.king@okstate.edu SE District – Lani Vasconcellos lani.vasconcellos@okstate.edu

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