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Significant Women in Oklahoma Agriculture Nomination Period Now Open

The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food & Forestry (ODAFF), in collaboration with Oklahoma State University, is continuing to recognize Significant Women in Oklahoma Agriculture. The initiative is designed to honor and recognize numerous women in agriculture across all 77 counties of the state, from all aspects and areas of the industry ranging from producers to educators, leaders to entrepreneurs, veterinarians to board members and many more.

“Our hope is to continue telling the stories of the countless women who give selflessly to this industry but don’t always receive an award,” said Oklahoma Secretary of Agriculture Jim Reese. “This has been such a fun project for all of us in agriculture, learning of and reading the stories of these women and their contributions. We thank all of you who have sent in nominations.”

One honoree is recognized each week on ODAFF’s social media with a detailed biography of her “ag story.” Additionally, a press release acknowledging her selection is submitted to area newspapers. The benefit of using social media for recognition is the accessibility to most everyone and allows the archives to be accessed long after they were published.

“We encourage everyone to submit a nomination,” said Secretary Reese.

All nominations must be submitted online at <http://okwomeninagandsmallbusiness.com/>. Please submit nominations by September 30. A selection committee will continue the process of identifying nominees to be recognized as Oklahoma’s Significant Women in Agriculture.

If you would like to read the stories of Oklahoma’s Significant Women in Agriculture who have been recognized to date, visit www.oda.state.ok.us/odaff-significant/women.htm.

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