



Blue Thumb Pictorial Report

June, 2016



Early June brought the fun and learning to the "Grand Adventure" 3 day lake and stream education camp for teachers. This workshop was an effort among Blue Thumb and the Grand River Dam Authority. Left: The workshop participants in a secret bat cave. Below: final day class photo. In addition to the cave, time was spent touring portions of the watershed, learning about lake monitoring actually ON the lake, and observing stream life in Little Blue Creek.



Grand Lake data collection demonstration.



Blue Thumb worked with the Spring Creek Coalition to help sponsor the Interior Highlands Mussel Conservation Group's annual outing in Tahlequah in late May. Blue Thumb staff and volunteers participated in presentations and field trips.



EnviroScape helped youngsters understand reducing pollution at Nature Camp in Payne County early in June. (Photo by Jeri Fleming)





Volunteers ready for their assignments!



Part of the conservation activities on May 21 included installing plants at what will soon become the Crow Creek Urban Meadow!



Creating conservationists!!



Participants learn how water moves over and through the land.

The Crow Creek Community was the chief sponsor of the May 21st Creek Cleanup and Nature Festival in Tulsa. Over 80 folks showed up to help remove trash from the banks of Crow Creek, plus they learned about protecting streams and rivers against nonpoint source pollution. Crow Creek flows through the heart of Tulsa. Additional sponsors were: Tulsa County Conservation District; Philbrook Museum; and the City of Tulsa.



Candice Miller took this photograph of young stream adventurers at the Wild Turkey Federation's JAKES event on June 11. At the Blue Thumb station, participants learned about stream life. Here the children discover what is living on the bottom of rocks in a Delaware County Stream.*

**Juniors Acquiring Knowledge, Ethics, and Skills*