

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

DECEMBER

- 10 Teen PAC 6 pm
- 21-25 Holiday — Office Closed
- 31 Enrollment Forms Due!

JANUARY

- 1 NEW YEARS —OFFICE CLOSED
- 2 Horse Com. Mtg.
Wednesday 6pm
- 14 Teen PAC 6pm
Leaders' Council 7pm
- 16 New Leader Trng. 6-9 pm
- 21 MLK — Office Closed
- 26 Fashion & Tack—Horse
Super Saturday
- 28 Livestock Nutrition
Seminar 6-7 pm
Livestock Mtg 7 pm
SAC Meeting 6 pm
- 30 Jr. Leader Training 6 pm

FEBRUARY

- 4 BEEF ENROLLMENT
DEADLINE BY 5 PM
- 4 Horse Meeting - 6 pm
- 6 Auction Meeting - 6 pm
- 9 4-H Project Day - TBA
- 11 Teen PAC 6pm
Leaders' Council 7pm
- 13 New Leader Trng 6-9 pm
- 18 PRESIDENTS DAY- Open

Cloverpatch

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Carolyn's Clover Corner...

Dear 4-H Families and Friends, Since this is the December/January edition of the Cloverpatch—let me be among the first to wish you a happy new year!

There are some wonderful opportunities available to both 4-H members and leaders that are coming up soon— The W.O.R.L.D. Conference for 7-12th graders will be happening Jan. 18-20th at the 4-H Center; The Horse Tack Swap and Fashion Revue and 4-H Super Saturday will take place on Saturday, January 26th. The 2008 Oregon Leaders' Forum will be on April 11-12th in Polk County. Look

for more detailed information in this newsletter.

Also, we had a terrific turnout for the Records Workshop on Nov. 29th - 36 people attended and



EACH DAY STARTS WITH
ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES!

learned all about how to create and maintain GREAT Records. Check out "Setting the Record

Straight" located on our website for more information on how to keep great records.

Congratulations are in order to the newly elected 2007-2008 Lane County Leaders' Association Executive Council members. If you get an opportunity, please thank them for their service in representing and fundraising for our program.

Have a fun filled, festive and wonderful holiday season!

Happy Holidays,

Carolyn Ashton

LEADERS' ASSOCIATION OFFICERS FOR 2007-08

A huge thank you to the outgoing officers and members at large! The amount of dedication and hard work that you put into the program is to be commended. Thank you for all that you do for the 4-H youth in Lane County!

President - Shari Johnson

President Elect - Cliff Kelley

Past President - Amanda Deedon

Treasurer - George Slusher

Secretary - Kirsten Albright

Youth Members at Large:

Kylie Zettle, Shelby Stepper, Amanda Smith and Amber Lengele

Adult Members at Large:

Debbie Cushman, Allison Lengnele, Laura Oleson, Jerry Severance, Kari Shafer, and Kevin Smith

**A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL
OUR VOLUNTEERS, MEMBERS AND
PARENTS THAT MAKE THE LANE
COUNTY 4-H PROGRAM....
THE BEST IT CAN BE!**

Become part of a Great Team!

Interested? The opportunities are endless!

As an Adult Volunteer 4-H Leader you can make a difference in the lives of our youth in Lane County!

Just imagine being part of a 4-H members favorite childhood memory. You can make it happen! There are lots of leadership opportunities available ranging from area superintendent to office help or project activity coordinator(s).

Let the office know what you are interested in doing and we will match you up!

~Making a difference in our Lane County Youth!

ENROLLMENT DEADLINE DATES:

TO STAY ON THE MAILING LIST FOR ALL RETURNING 4-H MEMBERS AND LEADERS YOUR ENROLLMENT DEADLINE IS **DECEMBER 31ST.**

ANYONE NEW TO 4-H OR NEW TO A PROJECT AREA HAS UNTIL **APRIL 1ST** TO ENROLL.

ENROLLMENT DEADLINE DATE IS APRIL 1ST.

IF YOU DO NOT ENROLL BY

THESE DATES YOU WILL BE **DROPPED** FROM THE MAILING LIST AND YOUR GROUP WILL NOT BE COVERED BY THE YEARLY INSURANCE. GET THOSE ENROLLMENTS IN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. ALL INSURANCE COVERAGES STARTS FOR YOUR GROUP AS SOON AS YOU TURN IN YOUR FORMS.

INFORMATION IS BEING SENT OUT VIA EMAIL. IF WE DO NOT HAVE A CURRENT EMAIL ADDRESSES OR YOU ARE NOT

ENROLLED, YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE IMPORTANT MEETING AND EVENT NOTICES.

PROJECT SERVICE FEE: FOR THE 2007-08 4-H YEAR IS \$10.00. THIS FEE COVERS THE YEARLY INSURANCE FEE, MAILINGS, POSTAGE, AND SUPPLIES.

ALL PUBLICATIONS WILL BE PAID FOR BY THE MEMBERS OR CLUBS.

Oregon Leaders' Forum 2008

Circle the dates of April 11-12, 2008 to attend the Oregon Leaders' Forum hosted by Polk County. The theme will be ***Pathways to Possibilities***. All 4-H staff, volunteer leaders and teens are now invited to submit Workshop Proposal Forms by January 15, 2008. The form is available on the State 4-H website at: <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/people/volunteers/download/2008%20leader%20forum/WkshpProposal.doc>

Summer Conference Theme Contest

WIN A \$100 SCHOLARSHIP

Theme should either be about something related to 4-H Summer Conference at **OSU**, reflect something related to the 4-H program (such as Head, Heart, Hands, Health), or our new marketing theme "Pathways to Possibilities" .

The theme will be used to inspire the design for the Summer Conference t-shirt, activities, and classes offered during Summer Conference.

Entries are due by December 15, 2007. The winning entry will be selected by the Planning Committee for Summer Conference. Winner will receive a **\$ 100.00** scholarship towards their 2008 Summer Conference registration fee.

Please submit entries to: Helen Pease via email or mail: Helen Pease, 105 Ballard Hall, Corvallis OR 97330 or by email at : helen.pease@oregonstate.edu

2007-08 New Leader Training Dates & Times

If you know someone who is interested in becoming a Lane County 4-H Volunteer Leader, please encourage them to RSVP to the office and attend **one** of the following 4-H New Leader Trainings. All will be held at the OSU/Lane County Extension Service office in the Auditorium. **Trainings are from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.**

Pre-registration is required! If we do not have enough people that pre-register, the class for that month will be cancelled. Please call ahead and make sure you reserve your spot as soon as possible! Call 682-4243 today!

New Leader Training Dates for 2008 are:

- Wednesday, January 16th from 6 to 9 pm
- Wednesday, February 13th from 6 to 9 pm

You can download forms from our website at:

<http://extension.oregonstate.edu/lane/4H/index.htm>

Lane County 4H/FFA Youth Fair Theme & Cover Design

Here is your chance to show off your artistic talent! Each year a drawings are submitted by our wonderful artistic 4-H members. All entries are voted on by the Fair Committee as to which picture and theme best represent the 4-H/FFA Youth Fair. If your picture/ theme is selected to be our 2008 Fair Book Cover you will have your picture in the April Cloverpatch edition and your drawing will be posted on the 4-H Website. You will need to submit your cover design/theme **by January 21st, 2008**. Entries should be on 8 1/2 X 11" paper in dark pencil or dark ink. Make sure your drawings have all the project areas represented to the best of your artistic ability. The date and year also need to be on the front cover, plus the theme. If you have any questions please contact the 4-H office.

2007-08 YOUTH FAIR SUPERINTENDENT TEAMS

Beef & Dairy

Tammy Linn
Max Hansen
Barry Owen
Patti Smith
Tracy Engholm

Goats

Autumn Baker
Josh Wesley

Small Animal

Teri Pilaczynski
Kirsten Albright
David Sledge

Sheep

Sheryl Zettle
Will Hansen

Swine

Shari Johnson
Wendy Elkins

Horse

Jean Sirotek
Cliff Kelley
George Slusher
Kari Shafer

Dog

Julie Roberts

Foods

Fiber Arts & Clothing

Mary Mosier

Ed Display, Misc.

Wendy Gangwer

Photography

Denise Sturgill

Food Contest

Mary Mosier

Horticulture

Renee Ross

Expressive Arts

TBA

The next time you see one (or any) of the these wonderful volunteers, thank them for the long hours they spend to make your 4-H program the best it can be. The 4-H/FFA Youth Fair would not be possible without them!



SUPER SATURDAY, JANUARY 26TH

Join the 4-H fun at Super Saturday!

Come and learn about the Lane County 4-H program at our Super Saturday Program!

This day of fun and interesting 4-H mini-workshops will include topics like: photography, foods, gardening, sewing and much more!

The program will take place on **Saturday, January 26, 2008** at the Lane County Fairgrounds Auditorium from 10am - 4pm. The workshops are for youth in the 4-12th grades. There will also be some free special activities for youth in Kindergarten through 3rd grade.

A fee of \$5 per participant (youth and/or adult) will pay for the entire day's workshops. The registration fee will be collected on the day of the event.

Call 682-4243 by **Monday, January 14th to register**. If you just want to learn about the Lane County 4-H program, and don't want to participate in the workshops - stop on by and grab some information at our information tables.

I am interested in becoming more involved

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Areas of Interest

_____ I would like to become a 4-H Member Grade in School: _____

_____ I would like to become a 4-H Volunteer

_____ I would like to donate to the 4-H Program

_____ I am interested in the 4-H School Enrichment program for my classroom

_____ I am interested in older youth opportunities and trainings

_____ I am interested in becoming a Camp Counselor (requirement 9th – 12th grade)

_____ I would like a 4-H Guest Speaker to give a presentation to our group

Come visit us at the OSU/Lane County Extension Service, 4-H office located at 950 West 13th Avenue, Eugene, Oregon 97402 or phone (541) 682-4243 or (800) 872-8980.

We will endeavor to provide public accessibility to services, programs, and activities for people with disabilities. If accommodation is needed to participate at any meeting, please contact the ADA Coordinator at the Lane County office of OSU Extension Service at 682-4243 or 1-800-872-8980 at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting time.

Agriculture, Family and Community Development, 4-H Youth, Forestry, and Extension Sea Grant Programs. Oregon State University, United States Department of Agriculture, and Lane County cooperating. The Extension Service offers its programs and materials equally to all people.

State Fair Positions

It is never too soon to be thinking about state fair. This year we have job openings for positions at State Fair. If you are interested in applying here are the websites you can go to and download the forms.

Application Form are available for adults at: <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/resources/pdf/statefairchairapplication06.pdf>

Application Form for teens at: <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/resources/pdf/StateFairTeenStaffApplication06.pdf>

Positions are available in: Clothing/ Sewing and Fashion Revue. We will keep you posted as positions become available.

BEEF DEADLINE

If you plan on being eligible for special awards at Youth Fair, and eligible to participate at State fair, you will need to have your member enrollment form and your \$10.00 fee turned into the OSU/Lane County Extension Service office by:

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH
BY 5 P.M.**

If you have any questions please contact Carolyn or Kelly at the 4-H office.



NOVEMBER SMALL ANIMAL SHOW



Small Animal



Show 2007



2008 Tack Swap

4TH ANNUAL
TACK SALE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26th
10 A.M. UNTIL 4 P.M.

At the LANE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
in the Auditorium

(located behind the main fairgrounds office)

WE HAVE GROWN OUT OF OUR OLD BUILDING,

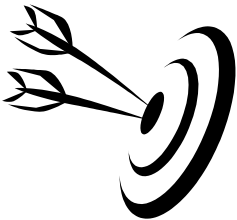
COME AND SEE ALL THE WONDERFUL ITEMS THAT ARE FOR SALE!

~ **New and Used items, New vendors with lots of great items** ~

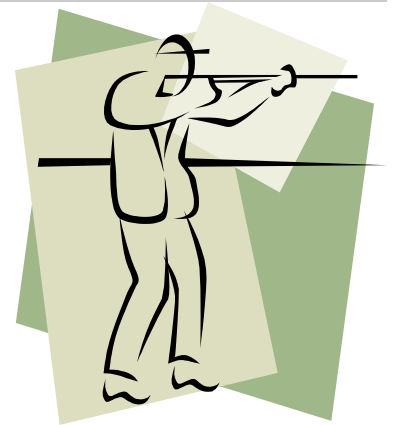


For More Information Contact
Mandi Hanson at 688-2247
or the 4-H office (541) 682-4243

SHOOTING SPORTS TRAINING



The next shooting sports leader training will be April 12-13, 2008 at the Oregon 4-H Center in conjunction with the State 4-H Leader Forum in Polk County. Remember that you must have completed the New Leader enrollment process – **including the background check!** – before you can register for the State training.



If you have any questions please contact Carolyn Ashton or Kelly Makinson at the 4-H office.

Weigh-in Dates

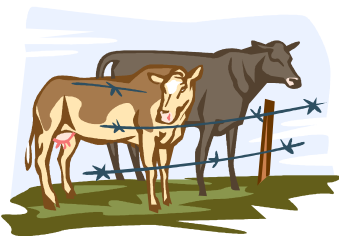
2008 Weigh-in Dates

Beef - Friday, March 7th, 2008

Swine - Friday, April 18 Set-up

Saturday, April 19 Weigh-in

Sheep & Goats - Saturday, April 26th,
8 a.m. to 12 noon



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SAVE THE DATE! KNOW YOUR STATE GOVERNMENT

Please reserve **March 27-29** for Oregon's 4-H "**Know Your State Government**" experience at the state capitol in Salem.

The Phoenix Grand Hotel in downtown Salem, will be the conference site again this year. The program will begin by 3:30 pm Thursday afternoon, March 27 and conclude by Noon on Saturday, March 29. Watch for additional details on the State 4-H website in late December.

4-H W.O.R.L.D. —Launch Into the Future 4-H Western Oregon Retreat for Leadership Development

Everyone will "Launch into the Future" during this "space" inspired retreat on January 18-20 held at the 4-H Center! This retreat is for youth in 7th-12th grade interested in:

- Developing leadership skills in a retreat setting
- Meeting new people from other Western Oregon counties
- Building self-confidence and self-awareness
- Developing appreciation and encouraging involvement in community service, and having fun

The retreat will feature classes on topics such as: survival techniques, healthy eating, successful interviewing, improve leadership, teambuilding, and effective presentations. Participants will also learn games for various audiences/needs, learn various dances styles, and be a part of a community service project for Doernbecher's Children's Hospital. It is also a great opportunity to learn from other youth and make new friends.

The event will start Friday evening (registration 6:00-6:45 pm) and finish at 11:45 Sunday (no lunch). Cost is \$70.00 per person if postmarked by Monday, January 7th, 2008. Registration is due by January 7th. The office will send out registration information via email.

Questions? Ask the 4-H Staff

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Kelly Makinson - 4-H Program Assistant
kelly.makinson@oregonstate.edu

Kerry Glass - 4-H Secretary (part-time)
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Visit Us on the Web at:

<http://extension.oregonstate.edu/lane/4H/>