Leader News

Christmas Bazaar Fundraiser is Coming!

Just a reminder who volunteered to help at the Bazaar:
1. The Patriot 4-H club has volunteered to help with unloading of vendors items on Friday, December 4, starting around 10 am. The club will also be selling coffee and snacks on Friday.
2. I can’t remember who volunteered to help load up vendors stuff on Saturday, around 3 pm. If your club did would you give me a call? Thanks.

Market Check and Premium Fair Checks

Jayne says there are so few Baker City market checks that she’s going to mail them this week. Also, she has mailed the premium check’s that were still here in the office. Below is a list of family names that have money coming in the mail to you: Akers, Andersen, Anderson, Barnett, Bingham, Brown, Buhler, Carpenter, Clark, Cobb, Copley, Cowan (not me), Evans, Grove, Hufford, Jesenko, Kester, Kmetic, Lehman, Lind, Martin, McElligott, Morrow, N.P. FFA, Phlaum, Lone Pine Heirs 4-H club, Rae, Robb, Rushton, Sanders, Scott, Secil, Tool, Ve la, Wilde, Williams and Wright. Remember, these checks are void after 90 days and the fair board will not reissue them starting the first of the year!

2016 Enrollment Deadline

There are three club enrollment packets waiting to be picked up for 2016: Rough Riders, Burnt River and Baker Rascals. You still have some time before the state enrollment deadline of January 31, 2016. After this date the state fees rise a little bit, but to save money for your families it would be good to get your club enrollments done before the end of January, 2016.

Military Family Day

There is an insert in this newsletter regarding Military Family day on November 21 from 9 am—12 noon. This event is open to current service members (all branches of service) and their dependents.

A Gift for the 4-H Program

At our Awards Program, Pamela Rose, 4-H State Program Leader, talked to us about a gift from Lee and Connie Kearney to our 4-H program. For those of you who were unable to attend I’d like to explain again what the Kearney’s are offering us. Connie was an active 4-H’er when she lived in Baker County. She attended OSU Summer Conference, where she met her future husband, Lee. Through the years both have been very strong supporters of 4-H, in fact Connie serves on the OSU 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees.
OSU must go to the legislature every year to receive a budget to support the 36 county Extension offices. Reality is that the legislature sometimes does not give OSU enough funds to cover all faculty, so cuts are made or positions are not filled when someone retires. OSU must be creative in coming up with funding sources. They employ grants, service districts, county dollars and/or endowments to help keep Extension at full capacity in every county.

You may not know this but my position description for 4-H was only 70%, the other was 30% horticulture. I never could spend all of my time just working on 4-H, but had to split my time between both programs. Think what we could do in Baker County with a full-time 4-H agent—A person totally focused on 4-H! There are so many programs, topics, after school events that I never had time to do. Well, we have the opportunity to have just that, starting next year.

Lee and Connie have pledged an endowment gift of $500,000 to Baker County 4-H, with the understanding that we fully match their gift. The funds can only be used for the Baker county 4-H faculty position. Well, every little bit helps, not just the big donors. If you or your club would like to make a donation to the endowment fund just make a check payable to the Baker County 4-H Association and make a note somewhere what it’s for. It would be a tax-deductible donation. If you would like to learn more about this endowment you may call me or email Scott.Elmshaeuser@oregonstate.edu. Scott is the Director of the OSU Foundation. This endowment would ensure that funds would always be available to support a 4-H agent in this county, no matter what the legislature does. Thanks for your help.

### EOLR – GB Training

This is a picture of the 2015 EOLR Governing Board after their training in John Day. Melissa Foltz and Boston Colton will be our 2016 GB representatives for the retreat. We’ll have a different experience in leadership this next year, going to the zoo in Portland, and probably doing other fun stuff too. Registration forms will be in the February or March, 2016 newsletter.

### 4-H Leadership Opportunity

**National 4-H Conference, Washington, D.C.**
April 9-14, 2016

Applications are due by December 1, 2015

$200 4-H scholarship from the 4-H Association

This is a state sponsored trip. Oregon selects two to six delegates, depending on funds available. Most of the costs (registration, travel, lodging, meals) are sponsored by the Oregon 4-H Foundation and the Oregon 4-H Youth Development Program.

Delegates should be at least age 15 by September 1 of this year.

At the Conference delegates network with teens from almost every state; learn about civic engagement, experience teamwork, learn of US History and government processes, and more.

Applications are in the office now.

### Buyer Thank You Cards

Did you mail your thank you card to your buyer?

A reminder, please make sure you mail your buyer a thank you card. Remember the buyers that come to the auction choose to support the 4-H/FFA exhibitors.
2015 Recognition Night Certificate & Award Winners

Friends of 4-H: “Foltz Family”

Executive Board 2014-2015
Terri Siddoway - President; Sue Irby - Vice President; Toni Myers - Vice President; Christine Hawes - Treasurer; Tami Foltz - Secretary; Members at Large: John Gaarsland, Mary Neske

Youth Reps for 2014-2015
Baylee Bell, Melissa Foltz, Hannah Myers, Stran Siddoway

First year Leaders
Megan Curry, Stephanie Lewis, Sarah Seymour, Jamie Shouse, Jayme Shouse

Second year Leaders
Sara Bates, Adam Robb, Angela Robb, Krischele Whitnah,

Third Year Leaders
Alaina Gotzman, Gregg Miles, Ellie Scott, Bobbie Sullivan, Carrie Swanson

Fourth Year Leaders
Debra Bell, John Gaarsland, Sue Huddleston –RV, Mary Neske –RV, Dianne Ramos -RL, Helynn Scott - RL, Randy Simrell, Don Tholen

Fifth Year Leader
Todd Robinette

Sixth Year Leaders
Kim Finley, Jack Myers, Toni Myers, Lori Thomas, Rob Thomas

Seventh Year Leaders
Beverly Coomer, Tami Foltz, LaDonn McElligott

Eighth Year Leaders
Christine Hawes - RV, Christy Varner

Eleventh Year Leaders
Michelle Owen, Terri Siddoway

Fourteenth Year Leader
Lisa Hampton

Fifteenth Year Leaders
Dana Simrell, Cherie Ward

Sixteenth Year Leader
Colleen Gilmore

Nineteenth Year Leader
Michelle Kaseberg

Twentieth Year Leader
Mark Coomer

Twenty-seventh Year Leader
Jan Alexander

Thirtieth Year Leader
Kathy Orr

Thirty-sixth Year Leader
Kay Markgraf

Fifth Year Members
Kylie Barnett, Baylee Bell, Sonora Blair, Kobe Cantrell, Quinn Coomer, Johnathan Cunningham, Justin Eskew, Emma Finley, Isaac Gotzman, Sarah Gotzman, Alexis Harrell, Taylor Hawes, Alyc Hayes, Sierra Koehler, Darby Lahaug, Brogen Lewis, Josh Myers, Stran Siddoway, Michaela Tholen

Carcass of Merit - Tom Bunch Memorial

Beef Carcass Award
1st -Melissa Foltz, 2nd - Quinn Coomer

Duane Bunch Memorial

Breeder of Top Carcass Steer
Kirk and Michelle Scilacci

Rate of Gain Contest

Beef- 1st - Tyler Belveal, 2nd - Cody Belveal, 3rd - Shea Swindlehurst.
Swine-
1st - Aaron Sullivan, 2nd - Cas Smith, 3rd – Sam McCauley

County Medals
Beef: Baylee Bell, Quinn Coomer
Goats: Aryanna St. Amand
Horse: Brogan Lewis, Josie Lewis
Leadership: Hannah Myers
Rabbits: Gussie Cook, Abby Graven
Swine: Ty Morrison
Achievement: Sam Black, Melissa Foltz

County Presentations
Sr. Champion: Anna Seymour
Int. Champion: Ty Morrison
Jr. Champion: Zach Morrison
Jr. Res. Champion: Emma Orr

Record Book
Senior Champion: Melissa Foltz
Sr. Res. Champion: Jessie Varner, Anna Seymour

Int. Champion: Brogan Lewis
Int. Res. Champion: Gussie Cook

Junior Champion: Sarah Orr
Junior Res. Champion: Emma Orr

Overall Livestock Judging
Jessie Varner

Congratulations
Everyone!!
“Hawaiian Luau”
5th Year Members
Carcass of Merit
1st Year Camper Rep.
State 4-H Program Leader
Overall Livestock Judge
Outstanding Record Books
County Presentations
County Medals
## Calendar of Events

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