General Interest

This is your last newsletter

Unless you have re-enrolled for 2009 in the Clackamas County 4-H Program, this is the last 4-H newsletter you will receive. You must re-enroll each year to be a leader or member. After December 31, 2008 you are no longer considered a 4-H leader or member until the office receives your re-enrollment form for the year 2009. This means that the club cannot meet, nor will you receive 4-H newsletters and information, until you re-enroll. All horse members must be enrolled by January 1 to be eligible to participate in Horse Fair. Members in other projects must be enrolled no later than May 1.

Holiday closures
The Extension office will be closed in observance of Christmas on December 24-25, for New Year’s on January 1, and for Martin Luther King Jr. Day on January 19. Please plan accordingly. A drop-box is available for your use, located to the left of our front doors.

Inclement weather policy
The guideline for office closure and meeting cancellation is that if Oregon City Schools are closed due to inclement weather, the Extension office will be closed. Any meetings or programs associated with 4-H youth development will be canceled unless the agent and committee members can reach the expected participants to notify them otherwise. We will also have an appropriate message on the voice mail at our general telephone number 503-655-8635.

Annual Financial Statements DUE
Club and Advisory leaders – Please remember to submit the completed “Clackamas County 4-H Annual Financial Statement” for your club or advisory by December 1. Regardless of whether your club or advisory raised money this past fiscal year (November 1, 2007 through October 31, 2008), you still need to complete and return the statement. If you have any questions, contact the Extension office. Clubs that fail to turn in their statements may have their fundraising, enrollment, or fair privileges revoked. If your club has closed, you still need to complete the form and account for any unused assets.

Another Day in Paradise...
Surf’s up! The Ambassadors’ fundraiser dinner is scheduled for February 21, 2009 at the Clackamas County Fairgrounds in Canby. The 4-H Exhibit Hall will be transformed into an island paradise. Feast on roasted treats, exotic fruit, and tropical drinks! Tickets are $10 each and will be available in January. They can be purchased from any Clackamas County 4-H Ambassador or at the Extension office. Hele mei hoohiwhaia!

County Fair memories available
Do you want to relive the highlights of last year’s county fair? We have photos and a video for you! A short video montage of fair can be viewed on our website. We also have CDs available of fair photos. The pictures were taken by our guest photographer, Jim Thacker, and include exciting moments from every project area. The CD sets are available from the Extension office for $1.
Fundraiser reminders

$ Clubs are not required to conduct fundraising activities.
$ Fundraisers should only be held to raise money for a specific purpose in carrying out the 4-H mission.
$ Clubs must submit a “4-H Monetary Donation & Fundraising Activity Proposal” form at least two weeks prior to the activity. The Extension Agent must approve all proposals in order for the fundraiser to be conducted in the name of 4-H. These forms are available at the Extension office and on our website.
$ Money collected in the name of 4-H belongs to 4-H, not to individuals.
$ 4-H leaders are not covered by the state’s tort liability policy when conducting or participating in fundraising events.
$ Clubs must be currently enrolled with the Extension office when submitting a proposal and during the time of the fundraising activity.
$ When a club disbands, any property or money that belongs to the club needs to be given to 4-H. This could be to the Leaders’ Association, another club, or a 4-H Advisory group. It cannot be divided among the remaining members at the time of disbanding.
$ Clubs are required to submit a “Clackamas County 4-H Annual Financial Statement” every year by December 1 listing income and expenses for the year, whether or not any fundraising activities were held. If you did not turn in your financial statement, your fundraiser will not be approved.

For more information on 4-H fundraising policy, refer to pages 24-26 of the Clackamas County 4-H Handbook (distributed to all leaders).

4-H at the Farmer’s Market

This year, 4-H was invited to be a part of the Oregon City Farmer’s Market. Clubs and resource leaders were asked to participate regularly, selling chickens, eggs, and rabbits, as well as providing general information about raising small animals and becoming involved in 4-H. Our 4-Hers answered the call and the result was a great success!

Special thanks go to Beverly Davis, Cynthia Christensen, and Paul Hardzinski. Beverly and Cynthia organized poultry clubs to make weekly appearances at the market. The clubs sold eggs in record time and learned life-long skills of money management, marketing, and communication. Paul volunteered his time to share information about beekeeping, which could help address the shortage of our local pollinators.

Jackie Hammond-Williams, the market manager, was more than pleased with the new additions to the market. “Having the 4-H groups there each week really filled a need and added a new dimension to the market.” She has plans for expanding the 4-H presence to include products and information from goat, sewing, woodworking, and horticulture members. For information on how your 4-H club can become involved at the Oregon City Farmer’s Market next season, call Jackie at 503-734-0192 or contact the Extension office.

Military families can Jump for joy on December 29

Operation: Military Kids and JJ Jump are sponsoring a free Military Family Admission Day at JJ Jump in Clackamas and Vancouver on December 29. JJ Jump, an indoor inflatable arena, will open its doors exclusively to military families. They will have door prizes, free spa treatments on site for parents, and food. There will be three sessions at each facility. Pre-registration is required. Flyers can be found at the Extension office or you can contact Alexis DeLeon at 785-313-3264.

Free alpacas to good 4-H homes

Two young male alpacas are available to 4-H members interested in using them as project animals. Recipients must be able to provide the animals with good homes and care. Contact Fred Palmblad at 503-638-0944 if interested.

Leadership

Linda Erickson elected to 4-H Hall of Fame
The National 4-H Council recently added new members to the 4-H Hall of Fame, including our own Linda Erickson. Many of you remember Linda, who retired 8 years ago. She started her 4-H career as a member in Fallsburg, Kentucky. Linda had several positions in education and extension before coming to Clackamas County, where she was a 4-H agent for 21 years. We’re thrilled that all her efforts over the years have been recognized with such a prestigious honor!

Congratulations!

Welcome new 4-H leaders!
Robin Anderson  Carol Lehman
Nancy Bennett  Marisa McDonald
Roxanne Bowling  Camille Miles
Katie Bronc  Charlotte Phelps
Melody Carroll  Lynn Schachner
Dawn Clausen  Mary Shearer
Amber Erickson  Kari Stutzman
Elaine Fawcett  Terri Weatherly
Frank Grace  Shannon Weinberger
Ty Hankins  Diane Wilcox
Tina Hovey  Holly Willsea

A warm welcome to the new leaders joining our group of dedicated and caring volunteers. Please let us know if you can take new members or if your club is full.

Experience the Western Regional 4-H Leaders’ Forum
Join 400 volunteers from the 13 western states, Canada, and U.S. territories. This regional conference for 4-H leaders will be held February 25 – March 1, 2009 in Denver, Colorado. Don’t miss this roundup of hands-on experiences, sharing ideas, developing friendships, motivational speakers, and workshops to address your interests and challenges. It’s the most energizing and educational forum for 4-H volunteers this side of the Rockies! For detailed information contact the Extension office or check out the forum web page at http://www.colorado4h.org/wrlf09/.

Ain’t got nobody...
Are you a leader without a club? Maybe your members all graduated, or you are “taking a break” from club leadership. We encourage you to continue to enroll as a Resource Leader. You will receive mailings and qualify for leader recognition and anniversary awards. You will also still be covered by tort liability insurance, just in case someone twists your arm into helping out!

Older Youth

Pacific Northwest Regional Junior Leader Retreat
When: January 2-4
Where: Astoria, OR
Who: Youth in Grades 7-9

This retreat is being planned (and some classes taught) by the 4-H Leadership Club members (10th - 12th graders) in Clatsop County. Classes focus on how to make yourself a better leader in your club, implications of judging on first impressions, learning about your personality traits, working with others, camp counselor opportunities, and some fun classes like salsa dance and outdoor cookery. Cost TBA (still working on grants) but hopefully will be no more than $50 for the weekend. For more information contact Sandra Carlson at Clatsop County Extension, 503-325-8573. Registrations are due December 15.
4-H W.O.R.L.D. — “In Tune with the World”
4-H Western Oregon Retreat for Leadership Development
Everyone will be “In Tune with the World” during this “musical” inspired retreat on January 16-18, 2009 at the 4-H Center near Salem! 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
♫ Having fun!

The retreat will feature classes on topics such as: getting engaged in issues, sorting fact/opinion in debates, time management, preparing for your future, and tips for great speeches. Participants will also learn new fun games for various audiences, 4-H opportunities available to them, and be a part of a community service project for seniors.

The event will start with registration between 5:45 and 6:45 pm on Friday evening. It will finish at 11:30 am Sunday (no lunch). The cost is $75 per person if received by January 6. After January 6 the cost is $85. More information about the retreat and registration materials can be found on the Marion County 4-H website.

4-H international exchange opportunities
This year there are opportunities for travel to Australia, Costa Rica, Finland, Japan, and Mexico. Additional information and complete application materials are on the state 4-H website. Application deadlines are December 15 for Mexico and January 7 for all of the rest. There will be a training March 13-14 for anyone interested in in-bound programs or in becoming more involved in international exchanges. Contact Wendy to be added to the list for training.

Join the County Ambassador Team!
The Clackamas County Ambassador Team meets at the Extension Office at 2:00 pm on the second Sunday of each month. The December 14 meeting will include some work on the upcoming fundraiser dinner and a holiday party. Bring a $5 item if you want to participate in the gift exchange! If you are in high school, have been a 4-H member for at least one year, and have wondered what the Ambassador Team is all about; this is a great event for you to attend. Call John at 503-661-7248 for more information.

Scholarships available for 12th grade 4-Hers
High school seniors are invited to apply for state 4-H scholarships. Read the information on the state website carefully. There are two categories of scholarships: State and Fair, and they have different criteria and applications. Also, some scholarships are for attendance at OSU. Transcripts and copies of SAT or ACT scores are required. If you want assistance with your scholarship application, contact the Extension Office. The due date for applications to be in the county office is February 17.

4-H Camp Counselor training
All high school students are encouraged to attend the first meeting of the 2009 Counselor Club! It will be Tuesday, January 27, 7:00 - 9:00 pm, at the Clackamas County Fire Dist #1 Westwood Station, 6600 SE Lake Road in Milwaukie. Monthly meetings continue through July. Our focus is leadership training and preparation for counseling at 4-H Camp. Registration forms will be available at the first meeting. If you have any questions, please phone Diane Broehl, Camp Committee Chair at 503-645-2122, or Micki Goldstein, Vice-chair at 503-652-2501.

Dog Project

Dog Advisory
Dog Advisory meets the first Monday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Extension office. The next meeting will be January 5. We have been busy planning an exciting program for 2009. 4-H Dog project leaders are encouraged to attend and be a part of the planning and implementation of 4-H Dog programs in Clackamas County. Call Pam Pallister at 503-663-0119 with questions.
Dog Bowl

Dog Bowl is scheduled for Saturday, February 21. Registration begins at 8:30 am. Resources to study include Raising a Champion; AKC Dog Book for Kids (the only resource used for dog breed questions); Dog Obedience, Showmanship, and Contest Guide; Clackamas County 4-H Dog Agility Rules; Dog Project Record; My 4-H Records folder; and the Dog Care Boy Scout Merit book. Your leader should have a copy of these resources. If not, check with the 4-H office.

Important reminder on leased dogs

If you are borrowing a dog from another family/individual to use as your 4-H project dog, you must submit a lease agreement for approval by the 4-H Dog Advisory by April 1, 2009. This is an annual requirement even if you are using the same dog as last year. For an agreement form please contact the 4-H office.

Dog dates to remember

- Saturday, February 21 – Dog Bowl, Fairgrounds
- Wednesday, April 1 – Dog lease agreements DUE to the Extension office for leased dogs
- Saturday, April 18 – Dog Clinic, Fairgrounds
- Saturday, May 16 – Dog Judging Contest, Breed Identification Contest, and Dog First Aid, Fairgrounds
- Friday-Saturday, June 12-13 – Dog Pre-Fair, Fairgrounds
- Friday-Saturday, July 10-11 – Dog Fair, Fairgrounds

HEARTH Projects
Home Economics, Expressive Arts, & Horticulture

FREE leather craft training

Any adult interested in teaching leather craft to youth will receive free training from Tandy Leather, Inc. In return, we request that you sign up as a 4-H Resource Leader and work with a club and/or teach a county-wide 4-H leather craft workshop. If you think you might be interested, contact 4-H agent Janet Nagele, 503-650-3125.

Breakfast With Santa
Can you volunteer a few hours to help a less fortunate family? On Saturday, December 13, 4-H will co-host Breakfast With Santa for financially disadvantaged families in the Canby area. 4-H adult and teen volunteers join members of the fire department at the Canby Fairgrounds to cook a holiday breakfast and lead fun activities for youth. Activities include making holiday decorations and crafts, decorating cookies, and the like. If you would like to help, contact Jan Williams (503-266-8535). Help is needed from 7:00 am to noon. This is a great community service project for 4-H teens!

Come to the HEARTH leader meetings

HEARTH leader meetings are the third Mondays of the month at 7:00 pm at the Extension office. The next meeting will be January 19. Any home economics, expressive arts, horticulture, or adventures leader is strongly encouraged to attend these meetings. HEARTH Advisory is responsible for the 4-H Exhibit Hall activities and projects (SpringFest, Big FUN Food Day, workshops, fair, etc.). Please help the youth involved in HEARTH projects and become involved with this Advisory. We need YOU to make it happen!

Two-day rummage & bake sale

The 4-H HEARTH Advisory is hosting a two-day Rummage & Bake Sale on March 20-21 at the 4-H Exhibit Hall, Canby Fairgrounds. Proceeds will be used for county fair awards and improvements. Clean out your garage and closets and donate those items you can no longer use. Warm up the oven and bake your favorite desert to donate. Everyone’s help is needed! Donated items and goodies can be dropped off at the Extension office during business hours, or at the fairgrounds during setup on Thursday, March 19. Let us know if you need a donation letter for tax purposes.
2009 HEARTH events

- Friday & Saturday, March 20-21: Spring Rummage & Bake Sale
- Saturday, April 18: Blue Ribbon adult & youth workshops
- Saturday, May 16: Big FUN Food Day & SpringFest
- Saturday, August 15 & Monday, August 17: County Fair Exhibit Building Judging
- Tuesday, August 18 - Sunday, August 23: County Fair
- Saturday, October 17: Fall Rummage Sale

Small Animal Projects
Rabbits, Cavies, Poultry, & Pigeons

Small Animal Advisory meetings
The Small Animal Advisory would like to invite any youth or adult to come to our meetings. It’s a good way to hear about upcoming events and get new ideas. Leaders – if you can’t come, please send a representative (parent or teen) from your club. Junior and teen leaders – this is a great opportunity for you to give input on how you might like some events done. The next advisory meeting will be January 5 at 7:00 pm at the Extension office.

Congratulations members!
Congratulations to Sam Meisenhelder, Kevin Re, and Maria Meisenhelder, of Feathers & Fur 4-H Club. Sam received Champion honors at the Stevenson Winter Classic Poultry show, for Senior Showmanship. Kevin Re was awarded Champion Intermediate Showman. They also made a strong showing in the Poultry Bowl, with Sam placing 1st, Kevin 2nd, and Maria 2nd in Senior, Intermediate and Junior divisions. Way to go!

Small Animal Pre-Fair
4-H Small Animal Pre-Fair will be held on June 13 at the fairgrounds. This will be a learning day. Meet your fair judges to see what they are looking for and ask questions. Try some of the contests offered at fair. We will do showmanship and conformation as well as other contests. There will be a maximum of six animals per species allowed. Times and other information to follow.

Small Animal workshop
Another Small Animal Workshop is rapidly approaching: February 7 in Horning Hall at the Canby Fairgrounds. The event will include market pen workshops, showmanship clinic, a quiz bowl, food, cage building, and more! Mark your calendar and join us!

To build a cage, you MUST place your pre-order by Friday, January 16. Single hole rabbit carriers will be $15.00 and single hole cavy carriers will be $12.00. To preorder contact Rose Re: 503-318-7061.

Market Rabbits & Poultry
Planning on doing market rabbits or poultry? Here are some dates you need to keep in mind.

Rabbits need to be bred between April 20 and April 24; and to be born between May 20 and May 25. You can lease or buy a bred doe if needed. Weigh in date for rabbits is yet to be scheduled.

Poultry youth – you need to get an entry form from Kathy Mayfield (503-698-3498) at North Clackamas Land Lab before May 30. As soon as we know when forms are available we will let you know.

2009 Small Animal dates to remember
Mark your calendars for upcoming event dates and other dates to remember. Contact the Extension office for details on events.

- February 7 – Workshop for rabbits, cavies, poultry, and pigeons, start at 9:00 am, Clackamas County Fairgrounds
- February 21 – Rabbit and cavy show, Washington County Fairgrounds
- April 20-24 - Rabbit does need to be bred for auction
- May 16– Spring Fling show for rabbits, cavies, poultry, and pigeons, Clackamas County Fairgrounds
- May 20-25 – Rabbit babies should be born for fryer pens.
- June 13 – Pre-Fair for rabbits, cavies, poultry, and pigeons, Clackamas County Fairgrounds
- August 17-23 – Clackamas County Fair
Livestock Projects
Beef, Dairy Cattle, Sheep, Swine, Goats, & Llamas

New requirements for Livestock exhibitors
This year the Oregon 4-H program will be implementing a new Livestock Exhibitor Agreement, and new federal Country of Origin Labeling laws will affect members with market livestock. Members who are buying market animals this winter should make sure that the producer includes a Country of Origin affidavit on the bill of sale. More information will be shared at Livestock Advisory meetings and in the newsletter as it becomes available.

Market Health Forms – get them now!
Remember to get your Oregon 4-H Market Animal health forms for beef, sheep, goats, and swine. These forms are required for market animal exhibitors to show at County and State Fair. Start working on them now, because the records require information about early vaccinations and feed. You can get copies at the Extension office or download them from our website.

Showing the same project area in 4-H & FFA
The state 4-H and FFA offices have a Memorandum of Understanding that covers members who show in both organizations. The memorandum is posted on the livestock page of our county 4-H website. If you show the same species in 4-H and FFA, you need to determine which animals are your 4-H project animals and which are for FFA by June 1. 4-H project animals can not show in FFA shows, and vice-versa. Also, be sure to check with your FFA advisor about additional restrictions they may have.

Congratulations to future cattle breeder
Emma Jacobs
Emma was recently chosen as the recipient of the Traveling Cow Project sponsored by Gary Zosel of BZ Red Angus. She will receive a bred heifer to care for, and the resulting calf will be the start of her breeding project. We look forward to seeing you at fair, Emma!

Project completed: now what?
You’ve finished your project for the year. You may have sold your market animal or some equipment, such as a tack box, some halters or a set of clippers. Or maybe you saved one ewe lamb and sold the other from a set of twins. You probably received some money as a result. Tracking the income and expenses from your project is important. And here’s why.

How much money did you make or lose? Were there decisions you could have made to change the outcome of your project? Did you have a vet bill because you didn’t give preventative vaccinations? Could you have gotten the same results with a different feed ration? You can learn a lot by taking the time to look at your records. They provide you with a history of your decisions. By looking at what you have done, you can make plans for the coming year.

You are also responsible to report the income from the sale of your project(s) and may be liable for some tax to either the Federal or State government, or both. How much tax you owe depends on your how much money you made after paying your expenses. This is called “net profit” if you made money or “net loss” if you didn’t.

You may receive a form called a 1099 form as a result of selling part of your project. This form documents how much money you have received from someone else. Regardless of how much you receive, or if you have or have not received a 1099 form, you are responsible for accounting for your income and expenses and paying any tax due.

If you had a profit or received premiums, you may owe some tax. Consult a tax professional for advice about what you may owe. Keeping good records makes this easy. And it has the added bonus of providing information to help make sound decisions in the upcoming year.

~ Vicki Avery,
State 4-H Office
Check your enrollments before January 1!
Horse leaders - are you sure you have everyone enrolled? Members must be enrolled by January 1 in order to show at Horse Fair next summer. Each year a few leaders find out in the February mailing that they have a member who did not get signed up. It's pretty hard to explain to a member that they can't do fair. To prevent this, we encourage you to contact our office in December for a club list so you can make sure everyone you thought was enrolled really is. Call or e-mail Kelly Redwine, the 4-H Secretary, 503-655-8635, and she can get you the information.

Horse rule changes to be voted on in special December meeting
At the last meeting, the Horse Advisory decided to hold a special meeting December 10 to vote on two motions. This special meeting will be at the Extension Office from 7:30 to 8:00 pm and only these two items will be discussed and voted upon. Following the short meeting, everyone is invited to gather at a local restaurant to share some holiday cheer. If you would like to check on your voting status before the meeting, contact Carol Bridges, 503-657-0987.

Motion #1: Reverse the “one-horse rule” (passed last year) and allow members to have separate horses for Performance, Gaming, Driving, and Ground Training, as the rule from 2002 states.

Motion #2: Horses can not be switched from their designated discipline without approval of the Horse Change Committee. If approved, the horse will not be eligible for championships or state fair in the new discipline.

State Fair changes give riders more options
Two noteworthy changes have been made to the State Fair schedule and qualifying process for next year. Members may now qualify to ride in two equitation classes. A qualifying member must enter the equitation class in which they scored the highest, but if they received a blue ribbon in a second seat, they may also ride in that class at State Fair.

Changes in the schedule have made it possible to require every member who shows at State Fair to do showmanship. Previously, members who only qualified in gaming were allowed to skip showmanship because it took place before they arrived. Now there will be additional showmanship classes offered at the start of gaming. Each member only needs to do one showmanship class, regardless of how many horses they bring to the State Fair.

Start studying for Horse Bowl Clinic and Contest
The annual Horse Bowl Contest will be held January 24 at the Clackamas County Fairgrounds. Pre-registration is due December 10. Registration information was sent to club contact leaders last month and can be found on our website. We currently have a large need for questions taken from the Horse Project Guide. Please send your questions, with page citations, to Carol Bridges, 503-657-0987.

New to Horse Bowl? This game-show style contest is fun for all ages and experience levels. To learn more about the contest and practice using the buzzers, come to the clinic December 6, 9:00 to 10:00 am, at the Extension Office. Volunteers are also wanted at the clinic to practice keeping score and running the buzzer system.

Public Speaking & Presentations contest moved to January
This year our county Public Speaking & Presentations contest will be held January 24, the same day and location as Horse Bowl. Registrations are due January 1. These are terrific opportunities for members to improve their speaking skills, and the intermediate and senior winners qualify to compete at the state Spring Horse Classic. Descriptions of the different events can be found on the state website. We also encourage those who are coming just for Horse Bowl to be an audience for our speakers and learn more about these contests. It’s not as scary as you think!
Back to Basics and Trail Clinics February 14
These two popular clinics will be offered on the same day at the Clackamas County Fairgrounds. Back to Basics is for new members or members who are using a new horse this year. It will start at 8:30 am and go to about 1:30 pm. The Trail Clinic will begin at 2:30 pm. To get the most out of the Trail Clinic, members should already possess basic riding skills and be able to make their horses back, sidepass, and pivot.

Each clinic has a $10.00 registration fee. Pre-registration by February 2 is required as space is limited. The 4-H member must call Janice Searls at 503-637-3776 to register.

Remember to thank award donors
It takes a lot of time and money to put on an award program like ours. Donors like to know that their award was received and appreciated. Thank you notes encourage them to keep donating and supporting our program. We only received about 50 thank you notes turned in at the end of the awards program. For the rest of you, please write your notes and send them. If you prefer, bring the notes from your club to the Extension office and we will mail them for you.

Leaders and members honored
Congratulations to all the 4-H leaders and members who were recognized for their achievements at the November 15 Awards & Recognition Night. Leaders were honored for 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 55, and 60 years as a 4-H volunteer, as well as for distinguished service. Member awards based on record books included Gold, Silver, and Bronze certificates; Evaluators Choice; Program Dollar Awards for Top Record Books; County Achievement Medals; County Scholarships; nominations for Oregon 4-H Ambassadors, and National 4-H Congress; Know Your State Government Scholarships; the I Dare You award; the Citizenship Award; and the Triple Crown Award. Additional member recognition included first year junior leader certificates, first year teen leader pins, and nine year member pins.

Friend of 4-H award recipients:
Karen Bassett, George & Glendel Campbell, Mark Williams, Gary Zosel*, Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife, and 3C’s Pet Co.*

Leaders who received awards were:
A Amy Aamodi*, Pam Alldritt, Roxie Applebee
B Kirsten Baldwin*, Becky Bangle*, Kimberly Benthin*, Brianna Berreth*, Carol Bridges*, Diane Broehl, Dana Brown, Suzanne Brownlow*, Michael Bruck, Renee Buren*, Patricia Butt*
C Roseann Caldwell*, George Campbell, Donna Clark*, Angela Courville*, Polly Crouch, Kathie Currey, Debbie Cyrus
D Kay Deines*, Diana DeVore*, Rosalie DeVore*, Cary Dovenberg, Meara Dunsmore*
E Alice Edgecomb*, Renee Elting, Melody Ennis
Members who were recognized were:

**A**  Kelly Anderson

**B**  Steven Baugh, Lexi Bell, Sierra Bell, Clarice Benz, Liliya Benz, Jan Bierma, Jessica Black, Emily Blake, Stephanie Borgen, Gabe Borquez, Brian Brennan, Penny Wafford, Theresa Walsh*, Audrey Wenzel, Iris White*, Cindy Wood*, Lana Woods*

* = Please pick up awards/record books at the Extension office no later than February 1, 2009.

**C**  Shelbie Carmony, Alannah Castro, Kayla Cochran, Hailey Cockeram, Ely Crawford, Katie Creer

**D**  Leigh Darling, Cheyenne Davenport*, Kenra DeAngelis, Esther Delavan, Hailey Dorr, Kelsey Downs, Ashley Dygert*, Sara Dygert*

**E**  Chelsey Earls*, Kaitlyn Elting

**F**  Justine Ferguson, Samantha Floyd, Emma Fox, Malaika Frenz*, Andie Freyder

**G**  Renae Garinger*, Rachel Geiter, John Michael Gibson, Miranda Gibson, Jake Gilbert, James Gilbert, Jennifer Greco, Eric Gross

**H**  Brittany Haak, Samantha Hammons*, Brittney Harlon*, Dereck Hart, Jessica Hatch, Jolene Heintz, Talitha Hempel, HollyMarie Hibdon, Jordan Hitchcock, Josie Holden, Megan Holden, Amanda Howell

**I**  Laura Iverson

**J**  Tiarra Jacoby, Chris Janik, Michelle Janik, Kari Jenson, Jacob Johnson, Natalie Johnson, John Jordahl

**K**  Carley Kavanaugh, Alexandra Kazmierowicz*, Jessica Kazmierowicz*, Rebekah Kazmierowicz*, Katherine Kendall, Annie Kersting, Shauna Kitchen, Jared Kohnert*, Angela Krueger

**L**  Bernadette LaMarsh, Justin Lamer, Briana Lee, Jeremy Lee, James Lindsey*, Jessica Lindsey*, Alex Lovre

**M**  Coralie MacWilliams, Audrey Marconi, Tishella Mauro*, Hailey McCarty*, Nathan McCarty, Hannah McFarland*, Megan McFarland, Megan McGuinness, CJ McKinnis, Kaitlan McKinnis, Rachel McKinnis, Brooke McQuown, Sydney McQuown, Maggie Means, Samuel Meisenhelder, Shelby Miner, Colleen Moore, Haley Moore, Selena Moreno, Suzette Moreno, Joanna Morris, Christina Mulick*, Adam Murata*, Samantha Myers*

**N**  Brooklyn Nelson, Katherine Nichols, Keith Nichols

**O**  Hillary Obye*, Connor O'Hearn*, Darby O'Hearn, Mikayla Olinger


**R**  Alyssa Rands, Kevin Re, Lauren Riback, Allison Riscoe*

**S**  Dan Schockelt*, Valerie Schockelt*, Reilly Schoknecht*, Danielle Sletholm, Annie Sloop, Megan Smith, Nicole Smith, Jana Soli*, Ataya
Steele*, Darian Steele*, Marisa Steinkamp, Kadie Stoller*, Rachel Stoller*, Keanan Stone, Karissa Swanson
T Kristin Taylor, Cameron Teune, Caitlyn Tietz, Emily Tolstrup, Jordan Trevor*, Anne Twombly*
U Julia Underwood
V Ingrid Vollan, Olivia Vollan
W Akaela Wafford, Cody Wafford, Grace Watkins, Dakota West, Tashney West, Melanie Williams, Eli Willsea, Wesley Willsea
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### 4-H Calendar - January 2009

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Extension District Passes!

The Clackamas County Extension and 4-H District passed with nearly 56% of voters approving its formation and funding on November 4th – a “landslide”, by political descriptions. Clackamas County becomes the first urban-suburban location in the state that has supported a local funding district for Extension. There are now 19 of Oregon’s counties that have formed Extension districts during the past 25 years. All other counties with districts are mostly in rural areas of the state.

The Extension and 4-H District in Clackamas County will provide stable and secure local funding and ensure the continued delivery of informal, practical education programs for farmers, homeowners, homemakers and youth throughout the county. Local Extension funding provides office space, clerical and program support staff, and program budgets for faculty serving the county. The new district and its funding will provide an opportunity to grow programs into the future as the county’s population grows to meet demands for service.

Funding for the new district will be limited to a maximum rate of $0.05 per $1,000 of assessed property value. Monies generated by the district funding tax can only be used for Extension in the county. The median house in the county will pay up to $10 to $12 per year for Extension at the maximum rate.

“We are very pleased to see the level of support in this county for the formation and funding of an Extension and 4-H District here,” said Mike Bondi, Extension Staff Chair. “Hundreds of Extension clients and volunteers have been leading the charge on our behalf. We can’t begin to thank people enough for their support.”

Bondi said the positive result for the Extension District vote demonstrates the value that citizens place on our agriculture and natural resource economy, local production of food and fiber, environmental stewardship, and the need for building capacity in 4-H youth and family programs.