Welcome to the...

An occasional email of announcements, reminders, and updates that just can’t wait until the next newsletter! Please print & share this information with those in your club that do not have email.

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1. Horse Bowl Awards & Ribbons are ready for Pick-up
Did you participate at Horse Bowl? Have you picked up your awards or ribbons? The remaining Horse Bowl awards and ribbons are ready for pick up at the Extension Office. There is also a children’s teal vest and lavender coat that were found.

If you think that these items may be yours, please contact the Extension Office at 503-655-8635.

2. Dog Bowl – February 20
Dog Bowl will be held Saturday, February 20. All members/entries MUST check in from 8:15 – 8:45 am in order to participate in the day’s events. Bowl activities begin at 9:00 am. Anyone not able to register by 8:45 am will need to contact Pam Pallister-Enos at 971-227-0955.

3. Arrg! Matey, “Go for the Gold!”
We still have many packets from the 2009 Awards and Recognition Ceremony. You may have an award if you turned in a record book, were a 1st, 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, or 30th year leader, or a graduating senior.
If you have any questions please contact the Extension Office at 503-655-8635, or stop by and pick-up your awards!

4. Guitars needed for Latino Outreach Music Club
The Clackamas County Latino Outreach program is looking for donations of guitars for a music club.

If you have a guitar you would like to donate, or would like additional information about the Latino Outreach program please contact Jorge Martinez at 503-650-3126

5. Wildlife Conservation Lecture Series at the Oregon Zoo
The Oregon Zoo, Audubon Society of Portland, and the World Forestry Center are hosting the Wildlife Conservation Lecture Series, presented by Pro Photo Supply and Shiels Obletz Johnsen with additional support from PGE.

**Tuesday, February 16**  
John Hadidian / Director of Urban Wildlife Program for the Human Society of the United States

**Wild Neighbors: Living With Wildlife on Urban Landscapes**
“Urban Wildlife is not a contradiction in terms. Learn about conflicts caused by wildlife in cities, and discover some humane solutions.

Co-sponsored by HSUS.

**Tuesday, March 30**  
Dusty Gedge / President, European Federation of Green Roof Associations

**Green Roofs and Living Walls for Wildlife**
A world-renowned “green roof” expert shows how to convert rooftops, big and small, into living landscapes, brimming with wildlife.

Co-Sponsored by the City of Portland.

**Tuesday, April 13**  
Chris Parish / Director Condor Reintroduction Program, The Peregrine Fund

**Returning Condors to Arizona**
Get the latest news from Arizona’s Vermilion Cliffs National Monument where the majestic condor, once at the very brink of extinction, is being returned to the wild.

**Tuesday, April 27**  
Stanley Gehrt / Assistant Professor and Extension Wildlife Specialist, Ohio State University

**Urban Coyotes**
The howl of coyotes is becoming increasingly common across our urban landscape. Learn more about these intelligent, adaptable predators and how we can co-exist with them.
Lectures start at 7:00 pm in Oregon Zoo’s Cascade Crest Banquet Center. General Admission is $10.00. Oregon Zoo, Audubon Society of Portland, World Forestry Center, students and seniors pay $8.00. Call 503-226-1561 or visit their website for more information. Teachers may request spaces for their students interested in attending at no cost.

Please send an email including the following information:

Your School:
Lecture Date:
How many students:

Send to: krista.swan@oregonzoo.org

6. Sewing Leader Training, March 13
Project information and ideas for meetings. Pre-registration is required. We will be making a Blue Ribbon Sewing Notebook and going over the Clothing & Textiles Levels. Bring your sewing machine or call to reserve one (we have only 8 available).

- **When:** Saturday, March 13, from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm (will break for lunch)
- **Where:** Extension Office, Oregon City

For more information and to register, contact Jan Williams at 503-657-3127, or email janaleen.williams@oregonstate.edu.

7. Poultry Learning Day at Washington County Fairgrounds, March 13
There will be a Poultry Learning Day held in the Cloverleaf Building at Washington County Fairgrounds Saturday, March 13, from 1:00 – 4:00 pm. Registration and check-in at the door will start at 12:00 pm.

**Who:** Open to all ages!
**Cost:** $1.00

- **Learning stations will include:**
  - **Health Check & Preparing for Show**
    - How to make your bird “shine” for show! Learn what to look for and where to look for pests. How would you treat your animal if you found bugs?
  - **Judging Layers**
    - How can you tell if you have good laying hens? How to evaluate your chicken.
  - **Judging Eggs**
    - Can you tell the difference between good eggs and excellent eggs?
    - Do you enter eggs in fair? What you need for a prize winning dozen.
  - **Showmanship Practice**
    - For beginners and those new to poultry, we’ll practice bird handling and techniques
    - Do you plan to show your bird at the state fair? Learn how to walk your bird with a ‘stick’.
  - **Avian Knowledge Bowl**
    - It’s Poultry Jeopardy! Test your poultry & pigeon knowledge!

If you do not wish to bring a bird, we will have a few birds available for showmanship practice. If you do bring birds, please have them in a leak proof carrier. All birds will be health checked.

For additional information call Darsy Schaal: 503-648-0898 or Carol Endicott: 503-267-3537 or visit our website here.
8. State 4-H Office Taking Applications for Scholarships to Middle-School Summer Science Camp
The State 4-H Office is inviting Oregon middle School students entering grades 6, 7, and 8 to apply to attend the ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp (EMBHSSC) this summer at OSU. All selected campers will be fully funded by scholarship. There will be 54 youth selected to attend the program to be offered August 2-13, 2010. The EMBHSSC particularly hopes to receive applications from youth who live in rural and/or underserved areas and members of populations traditionally underrepresented in science and technology fields.

The application deadline is Friday, April 16. The application involves completing an application form, writing a 250 word student essay, and recommendations from Science and Math teachers. Information is available online at http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/summer-science-camp. You can request a printed copy from Camp Coordinator Andy Hoffmann by calling 541-737-4081 or email fourhscicamp@proaxis.com.

The two-week residential camp offers youth innovative ways to enhance their knowledge of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Leadership and citizenship are main themes, and students are encouraged to stay in school.

The full cost of the camp’s education program, field trips, food, and lodging is covered by a grant from the ExxonMobil Foundation and The Bernard Harris Foundation.

9. 2010 Spring Odyssey 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Show, April 17
Run on over to the 2010 Spring Odyssey 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Show, hosted by the Tail Blazer Rabbit Club. Check in starts Saturday, April 17 at 8:00 am (no pre-registration needed) in the Cloverleaf Building on the Washington Country Fairgrounds; judging begins at 9:00 am. Novice & Clover Buds Classes will be available. Breakfast/ Lunch items will also be available.

Cost: $3.00 for showmanship
$2.50 for conformation

Judges: Rabbit – TBA
Cavy – Hannah Zellmer

Please NO animals under 6 weeks of age. All animals shown must meet minimum ARBA Weights. All animals MUST be in leak proof containers to enter building.

For additional information contact Kim McDonald: 503-357-5763 or email bunniemomm@aol.com or visit our website here.

10. 4-H Youth Leadership for Sustainability Summit April 23 & 24

4-H Project 2010 utilizes exciting, hands-on learning that emphasizes teamwork and group participation to help youth develop the knowledge and skills needed to engage and make a difference in their communities. Project 2010 is also an excellent field trip opportunity for teachers to engage their classrooms in education for sustainability, communication, political processes and community service.

When: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, April 23 & 24
Where: World Forestry Center: 4033 SW Canyon Rd Portland OR 97221
Who: Youth in grades 7 – 12
Cost: FREE
11. 4-H Summer Conference Registration Begins, May 3
Registration for this year’s 4-H Summer Conference, Dare to be Green, starts Monday, May 3. Summer Conference will be held in Corvallis, June 23 – 26 and is open to grades 7 – 12. For more information visit the 4-H Summer Conference website.

12. Clackamas County Fair Improvement Foundation Dinner & Auction to Support the Build a Barn Auction – Raffle Baskets Needed from 4-H Clubs!
This year’s Build a Barn Auction will be Saturday, May 22, 2010. The theme this year is “Country Ho-Down” and we would like to see greater representation from 4-H this year. We ask that your club put together a small basket to be auctioned off at the Build a Barn Auction to help raise money to help raise money to rebuild the Livestock Barn at the Clackamas County Fairgrounds. We also ask that you mark your calendars and plan on attending. We really would like to see your smiling faces! Baskets will be due at the Fair Office by Friday, May 14, 2010.

There will also good food & drink, company, and lots of fun and laughter to participate in. If you would like to donate some of your time to help set-up or take-down, etc. it can be something to enter into your 4-H Record Books. More information will be available after the next Build a Barn Meeting on Tuesday, February 23, 2010.

Below is a list of examples of baskets that were put together last year – but, of course, your new ideas are encouraged.

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Please contact Gail Parent at 503-309-7500 if you have any questions.

13. Clackamas County 4-H offers the Incredible Egg Program
Again this year, the Clackamas County 4-H Program is partnering with schools to offer the “Incredible Egg” program to students. Students learn science concepts through fun, hands-on lessons and hatching eggs in the classroom. Once eggs have hatched we need to place the chicks on family farms.

If you raise chickens and/or ducks and would like free one to two week old birds, please notify Janet Nagele at the Extension Office at 503-650-3125 or email janet.nagele@oregonstate.edu. The chicks/ducklings are free. However, you will need to pick them up from the school when called (around mid-May).