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## Sewing for the Troops: A Letter of Thanks to Debbie and Morgan!

Letter received May 24, 06 from the Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington DC—  
*"Greetings to all you supporters of our wonderful soldiers!"*

*"I am the father of a wounded soldier, an army veteran myself (but from peace times between wars). My wife and I came to Walter Reed last week to meet our son Ryan on his arrival from Landstuhl. He has a broken leg, but that's about the worst of it. Of course, being a blast injury (IED) it's not as simple as putting on a cast. "He has had, and will have, multiple surgeries, but with the pain medication he's doing all right. He's at the moment enjoying the warmth of your purple blanket over his bed sheets. I thank you on his behalf."*

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*"Just to warm the connection between us, note that my wife and I lived in Eugene for awhile, while I took MBA from U of O. (but Beavers are just fine too—ha!) Also, I have two brothers and a sister living in Salem, along with their*



*spouses and the associated nephews, nieces, cousins, etc. So, it was really neat to see your picture and your note and know that it came from Coos County! (Only problem was that we couldn't find smoked salmon hidden anywhere in the blanket—ha!)*

*"Ryan and I enjoyed some smoked salmon a couple of years ago during our volunteer building trip to Alaska Christian College in Soldotna.*

*"One more note—Ryan's sister and brother-in-law and family spent two nights at the National 4-H Center in Bethesda, MD while visiting Ryan."*

## Sewing for the Troops: A Letter of Thanks to Peggy and Brittany!



Letter received June 7, 06 from Fort Campbell, Kentucky— *"I want to thank you for your time and generosity. It means a lot to us when we receive things that someone has made for us. I was given a beautiful blanket with flowers on it and a green pillow. It is treasured by me. I keep it with me always. I was injured in an IED attack in Iraq. Thank you Peggy and Brittany! - SPC Warner Lucinda"*



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# 4-H Summer Camp

Come Take A Hike with Us.

July 10-14, 2006

- Students completing grades 3-6
- Trained 4-H counselors in each cabin
- Discovery Classes, Swimming, Hiking, Archery, Crafts, Campfire Programs

Who, Where, Why and How Much??

4-H Summer Camp at Camp Myrtlewood is open to students who have completed grades 3-6 during the current school year.

Registrations can be completed by enrolling in the county 4-H program (\$2 fee) and completing camp registration forms.

To initiate the process, send the lower portion of this flyer to Coos County OSU Extension, 631 Alder Street, Myrtle Point, OR 97458.

**\$110 camp fee must be paid and turned in with forms by June 23rd.** A limited amount of camp scholarships are available to 4-H members.

Join your friends and be part of one of the best residential camping experiences at Camp Myrtlewood!

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## Please Send Me Camp Information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Check the appropriate boxes:

I am a 4-H member

I have attended 4-H camp before

I want registration materials mailed to me

I have friends interested in camp—please send  extra forms.

## 4-H Totally Technology Camp: July 10- 15, 2006

Experience hands-on technology fun this summer at OSU Extension's 4-H Totally Technology Summer Camp! Youth going into grades 6-8 will have time to explore leading-edge technology, recreation, and fun. Older youth won't be left out. We are also still looking for camp counselors—especially boys, going into grades 11 and 12.

Forensics and video production are only the beginning of this incredibly unique opportunity for those willing to try new things and let the creative juices flow. During camp, each camper will participate in four Tech Topics, (see choices of [Tech Topics](#) on the registration form).

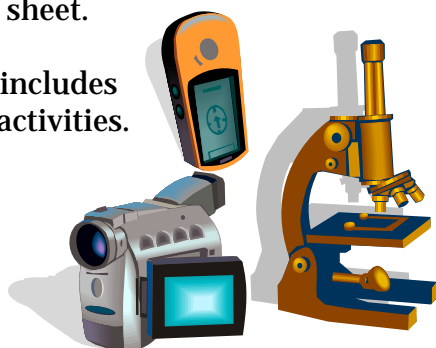
More information, a printable brochure, and applications are available at the Extension office or online at: <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu>

What to expect as a camper...

- A fun, relaxed residential summer camp where you can learn about topics that interest you.
- Plenty of time for swimming, canoeing, archery, Frisbee golf, and other games.
- Hone your creative problem solving skills as you work with technology professionals to tackle fun challenges.
- Be ready to try something new!

**Register by June 26, 2006:** application, fee, tech topics form, 4-H Code of Conduct form, and medical permission sheet.

A camp fee of \$190 includes meals, lodging and activities. Partial scholarships are available. Please call the Extension office, 572-5263.



Mail all registration materials to:  
**4-H Totally Technology Camp Registrar**  
**State 4-H Office**  
**105 Ballard Hall**  
**Oregon State University**  
**Corvallis, OR 97331**

## What's New in Oregon 4-H? Lego Robotics!

Oregon Robotics Tournament and Outreach Program (ORTOP), based in Beaverton, OR has teamed with Oregon 4-H to offer a new Lego Robotics Project. This project area gives members and leaders the opportunity to experience real engineering projects using lego robotics.



To learn more about starting a Lego Robotics club and coaching a FIRST LEGO League team, leaders should attend an ORTOP Introductory Workshop. These are offered in Beaverton on the following dates: June 27, July 25, Aug. 15 and Sept. 5.

Note: with enough interest, ORTOP will host a Introductory Workshop in Coos County. If you would be interested in a this, call the Extension office.

The Introductory Workshops explain the Lego Robotics program purpose, goals, and why young people in the 9-14 year old age group have so much fun and reap so many benefits.

They also discuss FLL (FIRST Lego League) and the tournaments that ORTOP hosts around the state, which provide our youngsters with the opportunity to show off what they have learned.

After about an hour discussion, we break into teams to build a basic LEGO robot. We introduce you to programming your robot with the Pilot Level of Robolab, which is a very simple way to direct your robot to complete a few illustrative tasks.

There are several opportunities to get involved with ORTOP and FFL: putting together a new team, helping us staff our tournaments, or even providing financial support.

For more information about Lego Robotics go online to: <http://www.ortop.org>, email: [questions@ortop.org](mailto:questions@ortop.org) or call 503-725-2915 or 503-725-2920.

## It's Not Too Late to Help with the Japanese Exchange: July 27-Aug. 22

### Host a Chaperone:

We still need a home for a UTREK chaperone for the second half of the exchange: August 8-22.

Her name is Tae Shoji. She's 28 years old and very out-going. She visited the US on a 4-H Exchange while in high school, then returned to the US to go to college in Monterey and the San Francisco area.



Tae currently lives in Japan with her husband. She enjoys meeting new people, studying history, listening to music, baking bread, and eating good food!

### Host a Horseback Ride:



One of the activities most frequently requested of visiting Japanese Exchange students is to go for a horseback ride.

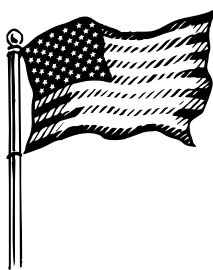
Do we have a horse club in Coos County that would be willing to host a short ride for the visiting students and their host families?

If you are willing to host Tae or a horseback ride for the group, please contact Katherine Cranston, Coos 4-H Japanese Program Coordinator, at 396-6987.

## Operation Purple 4-H Camp

This July, the sons and daughters (grades 3-8) of military men and women will have the chance to come together for a week of fun at a special summer camp July 16-22 at the Oregon 4-H Center, west of Salem, OR.

The National Military Family Association developed Camp "Operation Purple," which operates at



## Camp Nurse, Lifeguard and Instructors Needed!

Camp will be July 10-14 at Camp Myrtlewood, near Bridge. This year's theme will be "Survivor Camp" and the counselors are working hard to help us get ready!

We are still in need of several adults for this year's Camp staff including:

**Nurse and Lifeguard** (open-water certified) - these positions can be for one or more days of camp. Applications are available at the Extension office.



### Class Instructors

We will have morning and afternoon classes at camp. If you'd like to teach a class, you could select a day and time.

There are several topics from which to choose, or you can teach a topic of your choice. We can reimburse you for supplies. Each class will be repeated 4 times with small groups.

### General Helpers

We have lots of activities during camp week and can always use an extra set of hands! Duties could include assisting with: classes, crafts, hikes, games, swimming, etc. You'd be welcome to join us for part of a day, or the entire day.

For more information, or to volunteer, please call Elissa at the Extension office: 572-5263.

different sites around the nation. In Oregon it will be a partnership with 4-H. Camp will include canoeing, hiking, arts and crafts.

There will also be plenty of time for campers to share life experiences with each other and with trained counselors. For more information about Operation Purple 4-H Camp, go online to: <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu>



**PARENTS, LEADERS AND OLDER YOUTH:  
WE NEED YOU!  
CAN YOU HELP US MAKE 4-H EVENTS RUN SMOOTHLY?**



*If you can volunteer any of your time in any of the areas listed below, please complete this sheet and return it to the Extension Office by July 12. You will be contacted regarding specifics about the assignment.*

**THANK YOU!**

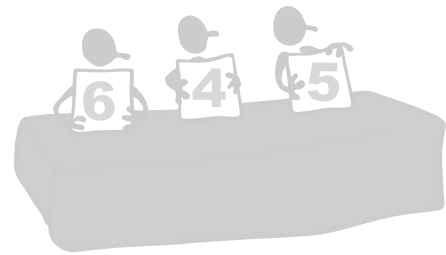
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Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**JUDGING ASSISTANTS:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Food Skills Contests July 17
- \_\_\_\_\_ Outdoor Cookery Clerk July 17
- \_\_\_\_\_ Clothing Skills Contest Clerk July 18
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fashion Revue July 18
- \_\_\_\_\_ Clothing Judging Contest July 18
- \_\_\_\_\_ Presentations Clerk July 15 &/ 16
- \_\_\_\_\_ Meat Animal Judging Contest July 8
- \_\_\_\_\_ Dairy Judging Contest July 8
- \_\_\_\_\_ Natural Resource I.D. Contest July 24
- \_\_\_\_\_ Livestock Shows and Contests July 25, 26, 27
- \_\_\_\_\_ Small Animal Shows July 25, 26, 27
- \_\_\_\_\_ Foods Exhibits July 24
- \_\_\_\_\_ Clothing Exhibits July 24
- \_\_\_\_\_ Home Environment/Child Development Exhibits July 23 & 24
- \_\_\_\_\_ Knitting, Crocheting, and Expressive Arts Exhibits July 23 & 24
- \_\_\_\_\_ Photography Exhibits August July 23 & 24
- \_\_\_\_\_ Engineering and Related Exhibits July 23 & 24
- \_\_\_\_\_ Horticulture Exhibits July 23 & 24
- \_\_\_\_\_ Natural Science Exhibits July 23 & 24



**SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H/FFA Auction Animal Sale July 29
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fashion Revue Commentator July 25
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fashion Revue Stage Decorators (before July 25)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibit Entry Assistant July 23 & 24
- \_\_\_\_\_ Static Exhibit Arrangers July 23 & 24
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ribbon Distributor July 24-27
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibit Building Take Down and Clean-up July 30
- \_\_\_\_\_ State Fair Exhibit Preparation August 14-18

Call Elissa at the Extension Office 572-5263 for detailed descriptions of any of these volunteer positions.



## Food Preservation Exhibit Updates

By Nancy Kershaw, Tillamook County FCD & 4-H

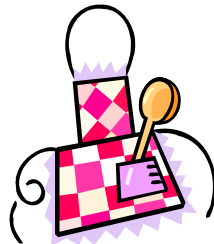
Fair season is approaching—here's the latest information about food preservation.

### Explanation Cards

There is a new 4-H food preservation explanation card that must be completed by the 4-H member and attached to all 4-H food preservation exhibits (canned and dried). You can see a copy of the card on the 4-H website: <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/resources/pdf/FoodPreservationExplanationCard.pdf> (If you don't have web access, come by the Extension office).

### Judging Home Preserved Foods Reference Publication

A great resource for judges (both 4-H and open class) is the publication "Judging Home Preserved Foods" put out by University of Georgia Co-operative Extension Service and the National Center for Home Food Preservation.



Carolyn Raab, OSU Extension Nutrition and Foods Specialist was one of the reviewers for this publication. It uses OSU scorecards - although we have a more current version of the Dried Food check sheet available on the Oregon 4-H website.

You can download the manual at: [http://www.uga.edu/nchfp/publications/nchfp/tech\\_bull.html](http://www.uga.edu/nchfp/publications/nchfp/tech_bull.html) (If you don't have web access, come by the Extension office).

Pages 9 through 46 detail what to look for in various canned products and causes for various problems. And, Appendix B summarizes briefly the headspace, styles of pack, appropriate jar sizes and process times for most canned foods.

### Processing Times for Jams & Jellies



Every year there is confusion over the processing times for jams and jellies. All jams and jellies must be processed in a boiling water canner. Inverting the jars to seal the jar is not acceptable for jams or jellies exhibited in 4-H classes at county or state fair. (Most judges can tell if a jar has been inverted because there would be jam on the upper rim and lid of the jar when you open it).

The following recommendation for processing times were reviewed by Carolyn Raab, OSU Extension Foods and Nutrition Specialist and Elaine Schrupf, 4-H Youth Development Specialist.

The USDA recommendation in the "Complete Guide to Home Canning" is 5 minutes in a boiling water canner (pages 7-3 & 7-4) in sterilized jars. This will be the minimum standard for judging jams and jellies this summer, and 4-H members should not be penalized if they follow the USDA recommendation of 5 minutes for 0-1000 feet altitude; 10 minutes at 1001-6,000 feet or 15 minutes above 6000 feet.

Some pectin recipes and OSU/USDA publications suggest longer processing times and members should also not be penalized for longer processing times if following a commercial pectin recipe or OSU/USDA publication.

## Volunteers Needed for State Fair 4-H Exhibit Building

The State Fair 4-H Building needs older 4-H youth, parents, and leaders!

We have openings for teen staff, exhibit take-in (Aug. 21), clerks (Aug. 22), exhibit displaying (Aug. 23-24), co-chairs of Education Displays, Food Prep and Mini-Meal Contests.

This is one of the best ways to learn from the judges. Work one day or several. Expense reimbursement available.

For more information or to volunteer, please call Elissa at the Extension office, 572-5263.



## Several Factors Lead to Respiratory Illness in Weaned Pigs

By Don Hansen, DVM, State Veterinarian and Bruce Mueller, DVM, State Veterinarian, Oregon Department of Agriculture

The weekend of March 25<sup>th</sup>, 87 weaned pigs were legally imported from a swine farm in Illinois to a farm in Crook County. The operation in Illinois is certified brucellosis and pseudorabies free.

Weaned pigs from the Illinois farm have been legally imported into Oregon for a number of years without any significant disease incident.

Legal importation of weaned pigs from Illinois requires a visual inspection by a veterinarian within 15 days of arriving in Oregon to ascertain that at the time of inspection the pigs showed no evidence of infectious or contagious disease.



When the pigs arrived in Oregon they appeared healthy and were distributed within a 72-hour period. There is no evidence of increased disease or mortality on the farm in Illinois or the farm in Oregon.

It should be noted that it is not uncommon for respiratory illnesses to occur among any group of recently weaned animals and pigs are no exception. This may even occur in weaned groups that are well cared for. Respiratory disease is often caused by a combination of events and infectious agents unfortunately somewhat like a perfect storm.

When the risk factors like weaning, travel, weather changes and diet changes are commingled with a variety of infectious agents it is often enough to overwhelm the immune systems of otherwise well managed young animals. It is possible that the pigs in this group were set up for disease by factors over which no person had control.

Of the 87 pigs, roughly 17% died acutely and/or with respiratory signs over the course of the following three weeks. In one of these pigs Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome (PRRS) virus and Por-

cine Circovirus (PCV) was identified in lung tissue samples at the Oregon State University Veterinary Diagnostic Lab (OSU-VDL) as the likely cause of the pneumonia seen in that hog. Nasal swabs taken from another of these pigs that was recovering following veterinary treatment for respiratory symptoms also showed evidence of Porcine Circovirus.

A recent study involving over 100,000 market hogs in Iowa showed that 75% of them showed evidence of exposure to the PRRS virus during their lifetime. Swine experts agree that exposure of hogs to PCV is probably even more common than that seen with PRRS in the Iowa study.

This being said, there are a number of different strains of PRRS with varying abilities to cause disease. Disease symptoms are more likely to be severe if the two virus are encountered at the same time and especially when accompanied with the stress of shipping.

Both the PRRS and PCV virus have been previously encountered in Oregon, but one would not want to spread these agents to producer's animals that have been exposed.—DH.

## OR Livestock Judging Contest July 8

The state livestock judging contest will be held on Saturday, July 8 at the Linn County Fairgrounds. The Linn Benton Community College Judging Clinic will be held July 6-7 and information will be sent directly to each county office for members wishing to arrive early for livestock judging training. I encourage 4-H'ers to attend both events.



The contest schedule will be:

8:30-8:45 Meet at Linn County Fairgrounds  
 8:45-9:00 Split into Contest groups  
 9:00-11:00 Judge livestock classes  
 11:00-12:30 Reasons rotation  
 12:30-1:00 Official critique  
 1:00-2:00 Awards presentation, head for home

Counties may enter one intermediate team and one senior team. They may also enter an unlimited number of individuals who will compete for individual honors only. Special awards will be provided for top individuals and top teams. The registration deadline is July 1. Interested in participating? Call the Extension office.

## State Vet Recommendations for Swine Exhibitors

By Don Hansen, DVM, State Veterinarian and Bruce Mueller, DVM, Field Veterinarian, Oregon Department of Agriculture

A load of 87 weaned pigs imported into Oregon in late March 2006 from Illinois and distributed to 4-H and FFA members in Crook, Jefferson, Deschutes, Jackson, Linn and Benton counties.

None of these pigs were showing any signs of illness before they were loaded in Illinois or upon arrival in Oregon. As of the week of April 24<sup>th</sup>, 15 of the 87 pigs have died and several more have been reported sick. Respiratory illness, fever and/or lack of appetite were the disease signs reported in the distressed pigs from this group.

Our office has had time to investigate this event further and present the following information for consideration.

A diagnosis of Porcine Respiratory and Reproductive Syndrome virus (PRRS) in combination with Porcine Circovirus (PCV) was made for one of the dead pigs by the OSU Veterinary Diagnostic Lab. Whenever these two viruses infect an animal at the same time the dual infection commonly causes severe illness and/or death in that animal.

A diagnosis of PCV was made for 2 other pigs from the Illinois group that were showing signs of respiratory illness. They both recovered after a short course of treatment. PCV is commonly found in pigs throughout the U.S., including Oregon, without causing severe illness. When combined with other infectious agents it may cause severe illness and/or death.

Pigs typically stop shedding the virus within 20 days and are then no longer a risk for infecting other pen-mates with the PC virus.

Tests for PRRS virus were negative in those sick pigs.

### PRRS Not Uncommon in Oregon

The PRRS virus has been circulating among pigs in Oregon since the early 90's. It is generally shed for up to 60 days after active infection. Research has shown that infected pigs are no longer a measurable risk for passing on the infection after that time. Some pigs may harbor the virus internally but no longer shed the

virus to pen-mates.

It should be further noted that we do not know what specifically caused the deaths of the other pigs in this group or what infectious agent may have caused still other pigs to become ill.

There are literally dozens of infectious agents that may cause respiratory illness. However, since they traveled together from the Illinois farm we believe there was enough time for these pigs to be exposed to any infectious agents circulating among the group during the trip.



### Recommendations for exhibiting these specific pigs from Illinois

As a precaution our office is recommending that this group of pigs from Illinois not be commingled with other pigs until at least June 1<sup>st</sup> 2006 (that is 67 days after they were delivered to Oregon locations).

If these animals need to participate in weigh-in events in preparation for county fairs, we recommend that they be weighed at a different time than other pigs in the event and that scales and associated equipment be properly disinfected after all the pigs are weighed.

We further recommend that this group of pigs be allowed to be shown at terminal shows where all participant animals go to slaughter following exhibition.

### General Recommendations for swine exhibiting this summer

We are advising all participants in swine shows to be aware that there is always potential for exposure to a wide variety of disease agents at these events not just the viruses found in these pigs.

Vet checks should be carried out before exhibition.

Bio-security should be practiced with regards to cleaning and disinfection of all equipment, shoes/clothing and trailers before returning home.

If pigs return home, they should be quarantined for four weeks in a completely separate facility.





## 4-H Record Books Due July 16



**4-H records must be submitted to the Extension Office between July 03 and July 16. Books will not be accepted for review after July 16.**

Records will be returned at check-in of exhibitors at the 4-H Office in the Davenport building on the fairgrounds. Approved project records and a fair pass will be provided at check-in.

### Requirements For a Record Check:

1. 4-H folder with the member's name on the front.
2. ID Page
3. Permanent 4-H record.
4. 4-H Notes
5. 4-H project record for the project(s) being exhibited.
6. 4-H Advancements (if applicable)

### Completeness of Records:

1. All parts of the record that deal with beginning inventories, goals, projects completed, etc. should be filled in for the record check.
2. All sections that ask for totals at the close or ending of the project should remain blank, and be filled in after the county and state fair.

### County Medal Records:

1. These will be **due Sept. 15**, and should include all records for all projects.
2. Evaluations will be done by committee, and comments will be made for the 4-H member.
3. County medals (awards) will be given in all categories.
4. County medals will be awarded at the fall recognition program.

### Question or Help With Records:

1. Attend a record book workshop.
2. Call and make an appointment, for individuals or clubs.

### Great Pyranees Needs New Home

Looking for a family dog? Here's one that needs a new home. She's a one-year-old Great Pyranees who is well-tempered, with a good disposition, who likes kids and other dogs, and is spayed. Call Mandy or Kent for more information: 267-5168.



### 4-H Nigerian Dwarf Goat Raffle!

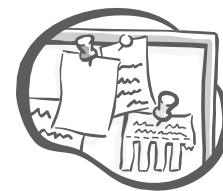
Tickets are now available (at the Extension office and county fair) to win a registered Nigerian Dwarf Goat doe. She is being donated by the breeder, Carrie Harris, of Tualatin Acres. The prize is valued at \$325 and includes an optional breeding by 12-1-06.



Tickets are \$3 each (or 2 for \$5). The drawing will be held July 29 at fair. (Need not be present to win.) All proceeds go to support 4-H.



# Bulletin Board



## Project Leaders Meeting—June 27

The next project leaders meeting will be June 27 at 6:45 pm at the Extension office. Please have at least one leader from your club attend. Junior leaders are also encouraged to attend!



## Need A Brooder?

Scott Macleer has a 4 x 4 ft. one that is available to a good home. Call 267-5140.

## Lane County 4-H Goat Show & Field Day

Raffle, Goat Agility Course, Food, and much more...

Sat. June 17, 10 am, Creswell, OR, \$5

Call Autumn Baker at 541-285-5632 for more information and for directions to the event



## Youth Wildlife Art Contest

The National Rifle Association of America (NRA) is now accepting entries for its 2006 Youth Wildlife Art Contest. **The deadline to enter is October 3, 2006.**

The contest, the 19th in the annual series, is open to students in grades 1 - 12 (including home-schooled children). NRA membership is not required.

Cash awards to winners in each grade category. See <http://www.nrahq.org/youth/wildlife.asp> for photos of last year's winning entries. For more information, call the Extension office.



## Nelson Colt Award Clarification

4-H'ers who are currently Intermediates (have completed grades 7-9) are also eligible to apply for the Nelson Colt Award. They will have 3 years to show the colt before finishing 4-H.

This question came up at the May Leaders meeting. We will clarify this in next year's fair-book.



## Linn County 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Horse Open Play Day

Saturday July 15, 9 AM, Linn Co. Fairgrounds, Albany, OR

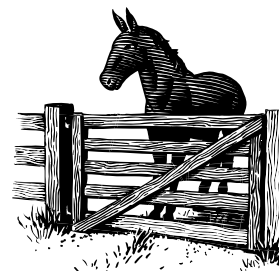
Events include: **Figure 8, Key Race, NSCA Flags, Barrel Race, Jackpot Barrels, Pole Bending & Jackpot Poles**

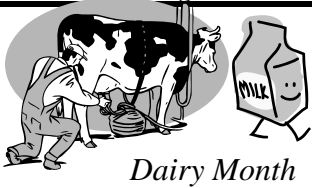
**Pre Entry:** Received by July 10 4-H member (must show card at office) \$15 all day or \$4 per event; Non 4-H members \$20 all day or \$5 per event

**Post Entry:** 4-H members (must show card at office) \$20 all day or \$5 per event; Non 4-H members \$25 all day or \$6 per event

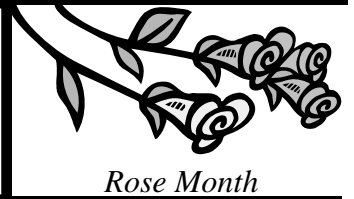
**Jackpot:** \$5 per class pre or post entry (All day fees DO NOT include jackpot classes)

**Mail all entries to:** Heather Loveall, 40381 McDowell Creek Dr., Lebanon, OR 97355. Make checks payable to: Linn Co 4-H Horse Leaders.





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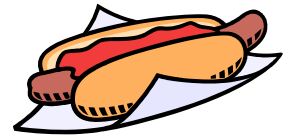
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				1	2	3  <b>GAY 90's Petting Zoo</b> Coquille
4	5	6	7 Fair Entry Forms & Horse Club Lists Due	8 Leaders Association Exec. Session 7:00	9	10  <b>SUMNER BUCKAROOS Horse show</b> Family 4
11	12	13 Auction Committee 7:30	14	15	16  Camp Counselor Training 11-3	17  <b>ROCK-N-RIDERS Annual show</b> Fairgrounds
18  <b>Fathers' Day</b>	19	20	21  First Day of Summer!	22	23	24  OR OUTLAWS Horse show, (fairgrounds)
25  OO Horse Show Summer Conference	26	27 Leaders' Meeting 6:45	28	29  Camp Counselor Training 11-3	30	

4-H Summer Conference @ OSU




Blueberry Month

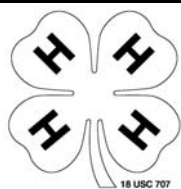
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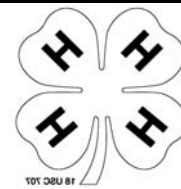
Hotdog Month

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9	10	<div style="border: 1px dashed green; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">                         Summer Camp   </div>				15
16 Horse Pre-Fair 	17 Foods Contests 	18 Clothing Contests 	19	20	21	22
23 Fair Check-In (Horses) 	24 Fair Check-In (All others)	25 	<div style="border: 1px dashed blue; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">                         County Fair                     </div>			
						<div style="border: 1px dashed red; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">                         Japanese Exchange July 27—Aug 22                     </div>





# AGENT NOTES



Dear 4-H Families,

As you can see by the size of this newsletter, we are gearing up for all sorts of fun (and educational) summer activities! Plans are coming right along for Camp and County Fair—and both will be here before we know it—yikes.

This newsletter mentions several opportunities at both events for older youth, leaders, and parents to volunteer some time to “pitch in” and help things run smoothly. Please read through the descriptions of these opportunities and sign up for one or two. 4-H activities are most successful when we all share the work.

If you have questions about any of the events described in this newsletter, please call or send me an email.

Thank you and have a fun (and safe) summer!

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