2007 Fair Books Available!

Be sure to pick up a 2007 fair book next time you stop by the Extension office, fair office, post office or library. You will need a copy of this book to participate in county fair. It contains 4-H, FFA and open class entry forms and exhibitor guidelines. **4-H Fair entries are due to the Extension office by June 8.**

Be a Super Hero for a Week!

Registration is open for 4-H Summer Camp “Super Hero Week” July 10-13 at Camp Myrtlewood. Applications are available at the Extension office and elementary schools. All kids who have completed grades 4-6 are welcome to apply by June 20.

**If you are a 4-H leader or parent who would like to volunteer to help at camp, please let us know.** We still need a few more adult helpers! Childcare will be provided for younger children—feel free to bring them with you.

4-H Camp is a fun-filled week featuring archery, crafts, games, swimming, outdoor cookery, and educational programs on a variety of 4-H topics.

The goal of 4-H Camp is to allow campers an opportunity to master new skills, develop generosity for others, practice independence, and belong to a group beyond their family.

Camp staff includes the Extension staff, nurse, lifeguard, 4-H leaders, and trained counselors (grades 7-12). For more information about camp, please call the Extension office at 572-5263.

Summer 4-H Calendar Inside

This issue of the Monitor includes an extended calendar for May—Aug. There are a lot of 4-H activities during these months. This calendar will help you to not miss an important date.

Enrollments and Lease Form Reminder

May 15 was the deadline to turn in 4-H member enrollment and lease forms. All 2007 paperwork for your club should now be on-file at the Extension office, if your 4-H’ers plan to exhibit at fair. Please call us as soon as possible if this is not the case and we will see if we can work something out.
**Summer Fun**

**Join us for Summer Fun!**

The 4-H Coastal Futures leadership team wants to help you celebrate summer with fun activities for youth grades 4-12. There is no charge, and no need to be a 4-H member.

**OSU 4-H Summer Conference**

Summer conference is a chance for 4-H members from all over the state to come together at OSU to make new friends, take advantage of interesting classes offered and have fun! This year’s conference will be held **June 27-30**. A flyer with more info is included in this edition of the *Monitor*.

There will be many fun, educational experiences offered: a tour of the OSU dairy barn, dog agility courses, acting classes, cooking, and much more. There is something for everyone at summer conference!

You will also have many chances to expand your leadership skills and learn about state and national opportunities.

Don’t forget to add this awesome 4-H event to your summer to-do list!

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**Forestry and Leadership Youth Summer Camp**

**Magness Memorial Tree Farm**

(Near Wilsonville)

**June 24-30, 2007**

Youth, ages 13-15 are invited to a hands-on camping experience where they can strengthen their forestry and leadership skills. The camp will focus on such topics as forest ecology, tree ID, map reading, and much more. Leadership skills will be developed thru student initiated projects, formal and informal discussions and mentoring from alumni staff and counselors. Campers will also enjoy plenty of free time and recreational activities. Interested youth need to submit an application and two letters of recommendation by **May 25th**. For more information contact:

Rick Zenn (503)488-2103 or rzenn@worldforestry.org

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The **Livestock Pre-Fair** will be held **Saturday, June 23rd** beginning at 9 a.m. with clinics scheduled until 3 p.m. Plan to attend with or without your animal. Showmanship, grooming, handling and judging are all topics to be covered during the day. This is for all large animal species. Beef, Swine, Sheep, Goats, Llama and Dairy. For more information contact the Extension office.
Junior Leaders & Leader News

Project 4-H 2007

The Industrial Steel and Supply Company in North Bend is generously making a large donation to 4-H clubs of Coos County: $5 for every cubic yard of decorative bark sold during June and July of 2007—just mention that you are a 4-H supporter.

They will provide purchasers with a list of clubs, so that the purchaser can choose which club they would like their contribution to go to. Also, the 4-H club with the most designations will receive an extra $50 donation. This is an awesome gift from the Industrial Steel and Supply Company that we greatly appreciate!

Next 4-H Leaders Meeting is May 22

The meeting will start at 6:45 at the Extension office. We will discuss fair and hand out fair packets for clubs. Please make sure a leader from your club is there.

The horse leaders will meet following the general leaders meeting.

Auction Committee Needs Your Help!

The auction committee is looking for a junior leader (or a few) who could volunteer to help with the auction booth at the fair.

The booth is located in the beef barn. It needs to be painted, decorated for the fair theme, and staffed during fair.

This year’s fair theme: “Ewe Ain’t Seen Nothin’ Yet!”

For more info call Rhonda at the Extension office 572-5263.

New Knitting & Foods Fair Awards

4-H’ers entering knitting exhibits, the foods measuring skills contest and the nutritious breakfast contest are eligible to compete for four new cash and gift certificate awards.

These awards were established by Doreen Wright and the Catching Inlet FCE Extension Study Group in fond memory of Jo and Charlene Messerle. Both women were very dedicated to 4-H and Extension home economics over the years. The awards will be a wonderful way to remember them.

Fair Clerking Positions Available

Have you ever wondered what makes for a “blue” ribbon exhibit? Here’s an excellent opportunity for leaders, junior leaders and parents.

Clerks assist the static exhibit judges at county and state fair. They take notes, run errands, organize exhibits and paperwork, and get to learn a lot from the judges as they work. Call the Extension office if you are available to volunteer as a clerk on Sun. July 22, 1-5pm or Mon. July 23, 9-1.

4-H Fair Teen Staff Needed

There are lots of tasks during fair to keep things running smoothly and Elissa could use some help! Teen staff work a flexible schedule of just a few hours a day to staff the fair 4-H office, run errands, answer the phone, etc. Please call the Extension office if you’re interested.

The State Fair also has teen staff positions, so this is a chance to try it out. If you like the job, you can apply to work at State Fair in August.
Show Results
2007 Spring Horse Classic
The Intermediate Horse Bowl Team got 9th place
Brenna Hurley came in 10th as an
Intermediate Horse Bowl individual
The Senior Judging Team got 5th place
Danielle Crockett came in 5th as a Sr. Judging individual
The Intermediate Judging Team came in 4th
Louis Hannah was the 7th placing Int. Judging individual
The Senior Hippology Team got 6th place
Charlene Ramsey placed 7th as a Sr. Hippology individual
The Intermediate Hippology Team placed 3rd
Intermediate Hippology individuals — Carrie Plouff - 5th, Hannah Swenson - 8th, Brenna Hurley - 9th
Hannah Swenson won FIRST place in the Intermediate Individual Presentation contest

2007 SW Spring Small Animal Show

Rabbits-4-H:
Kelsey Nelson Best in Show with her Holland Lop Doe
Cody Hiser Reserve in Show with his Holland Lop Buck

Rabbits-Open:
Cody Woody Best in Show with his Holland Lop Doe

Birds-4-H

Pigeons :
Joe Bussman Best in Show Pigeon and Best of Breed with his Kormorner Tumbler
Charlie Jensen Best of Breed with his Homer

Poultry:
Cody Hiser Best Bird in Show and Best in Show Poultry with his Cochin Rooster

The 2007 Coos County Fair Handbook is also now available on-line at:
http://extension.oregonstate.edu/coos/CoosCoFairBook.php

4-H, FFA and Open entry forms are all available as well as class and contest information. Parade entry information is also included.

“Bow –Wow by the Sea”
Dog Show
Lincoln County Fairgrounds
Saturday, June 2, 2007

There will be Jr., Int., Sr. showmanship classes, and all levels of obedience classes.

Registration due by May 18th.

Online Livestock Judging Contest

Showmaster Feeds is putting on it's first-ever online National Livestock Judging Contest.

The contest will be made up of 12 classes with 4 animals in each. Classes include: Hereford steers, Shorthorn steers, Angus heifers, Simmental heifers, Suffolk ewes, 2 classes of market lambs, Crossbred market hogs, Hampshire market hogs, and 2 classes of meat goats.

The contest is open to people of all ages with age groups of: 10 and younger, 11-13, 14-18, 19 and over. Minors must have parental consent form.

For more info, go to:
Buying Out of State Pigs and Lambs

The ODA and OSU are reminding livestock buyers and sellers that animals coming into Oregon require a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) and an import permit, these documents are crucial to stopping the spread of disease and also aid in being able to trace outbreaks. The CVI and permit can be acquired through an accredited vet and the seller should provide the documents.

However, a CVI or permit does not ensure that an animal is free of all diseases, there are still many stressing factors that can cause an imported animal to become ill (shipping, changes in environment, etc.) Buyers should practice caution and good prevention by isolating purchased animals for at least 3 weeks. Frequent cleaning and disinfecting are also good practices.

4-H Family Horse Camp
4-H Conference & Education Center, Salem OR
June 29-July 1

4-H horse project members have the opportunity to bring their whole family to camp this year. 4-H families are invited to spend one, two or all three days with their horses at this year’s camp.

Families can trail ride, take a hands-on first aid class, help with a work party, or just hang out with their horses and other families. People have the option of sleeping in bunkhouses, campers, tents or under the stars in the meadow.

Cost is $10 per person and horse per day. Helmets and boots are required and you must provide your own food.

Entry forms and fees are to be submitted to the Linn County Extension Service

5th Annual OSU Colts-in-Training Sale
OSU Horse Center, Corvallis OR
May 19, 2007
12:30 Preview & Free BBQ
2:00 Sale

Selling 14 geldings and 12 fillies. Western performance and ranch horse prospects, started in basic training of reining and cow horse.

Great blood lines.

Also selling select yearlings and broodmares.

For more info: Dr. Christian Rammerstorfer
(541) 737-1929
christian.rammerstorfer@oregonstate.edu
http://oregonstate.edu/dept/animal-sciences/horse/citsale.htm
Agent Notes

Dear 4-H Families,

There was a great turnout for the 25th annual 4-H Spaghetti Feed and Auction on April 21. Thank you to all of the leaders, members, and families who helped make it a success. We also certainly appreciate the local businesses who donated items to be auctioned and the community members who purchased silent and oral auction items. Funds raised at this event will support next year’s 4-H activities.

As the weather warms up and the school year comes to a close, it’s time to make plans for summer 4-H projects. Remember to call the office soon if you haven’t yet enrolled for 4-H this year—the deadline was May 15.

I look forward to seeing you at summer 4-H activities.

Thanks,
Elissa Wells, 4-H Agent

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