Welcome Heather Lilienthal
We are pleased to welcome Heather Lilienthal as the new 4-H educational program assistant. Be sure to say “hi” to her and introduce yourself when you see her at the office or 4-H events this spring. Heather will coordinate the 4-H School Enrichment programs and assist with other larger 4-H programs, such as the spaghetti feed, camp, contests and fair.

Heather’s background is in natural resource management and comes to us from the Coquille Watershed Council where she was the monitoring coordinator for several years, so she’s used to working with community volunteers and juggling lots of projects at once — sounds like 4-H!

Heather says “I’m looking forward to this new and exciting adventure. 4-H can offer so many great opportunities for kids and parents and I’m anxious to learn more about all the activities going on in the county.”

Wanted: Silent and Oral Auction Items
The annual 4-H Spaghetti Feed and Auction fundraiser will be Apr. 11, 09. This is our largest fundraiser of the year and the 4-H Leaders Association needs your help preparing for this event. Please gather silent and oral auction items. These can be donated from local businesses, friends and family. Handmade items are always popular as well, so be creative! If all 4-H clubs gather a few items, we will have an excellent auction!

Our other two fundraisers for the Coos County 4-H Leaders Association include the February Horse Show and the Purple Cow ice cream booth at fair. Proceeds from the fundraisers go to offset the costs for 4-H’ers to participate in local, regional and statewide 4-H programs. These funds are also used to purchase materials and supplies for 4-H programs, to keep program costs as low as possible.

Dates to Remember
(at the Extension office unless noted)

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Next Leaders Meeting: Mar. 31
The next leaders meeting will be at 6:45 pm, Mar. 31 at the Extension office. Please join us to discuss plans for the Spaghetti Feed and Auction and other upcoming events. Remember, at least one leader from each club needs to attend at least 3 leaders meetings in order for your club leaders to receive free fair wristbands.

Animal Possession Deadlines
Animals need to be in possession and lease papers filed by May 15. Horses need to be in possession and have lease papers completed and on file by April 10.

Shooting Sport Leader Training Scheduled
Any adult wanting to lead a 4-H shooting sports club (archery, shot gun or rifle) must first attend the Oregon 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training. The next training will be April 17—19, 2009 in Central Oregon (Bend/Redmond area). The Coos County 4-H program will cover the cost of registration. Contact the Coos County OSU Extension Service office in Myrtle Point for more information. Registration deadline: Mar. 7, 09.

County Fair 2009
County Fair will be July 28—Aug 1, 09. This year’s theme is: “Community Pride County Wide”. Be sure to include Oregon’s 150th birthday in your display.

State Fair Older Youth Opportunities
Do you know 4-H’ers in grades 9-12 who would be interested in working “behind the scenes” with the static exhibits and contests at State Fair? If so, encourage them to contact Elissa and apply to be a Teen Staff member. They will stay in the State Fair 4-H dorm for free, receive $15.00 per day for food, and assist the 4-H State Fair Staff with tasks of all types. They may also spend some time staffing the 4-H Information Desk to share their knowledge about joining 4-H and answer questions for the fair visitors who tour the building.

In the 4-H Exhibit Building there are several types of opportunities which will give them the experience of leadership at the state level and the fun of helping/being at fair:

- Chair or co-chair a contest
- Chair or co-chair an exhibit area
- Clerk for a judge on Judging Day for static exhibits on August 19 or during fair for a contest
- Assist with static exhibit set-up
- Assist for a day or more with day-to-day operations in the 4-H department

Great Oregon Spring Beach Clean Up: Mar. 28
Oregon SOLV is looking for groups to coordinate and participate in the Great Oregon Spring Beach Clean-Up on Mar. 28, 09. For more information contact the Extension office or go online to the SOLV website: www.SOLV.org.

Share your Club’s Community Service Stories!
4-H Clubs in Coos County do lots of great projects to give back to the community. We would love to feature your project in a future Monitor. Please email us your story and photos! There will be special awards for top placing displays at fair highlighting your club’s community service. Take pictures and keep a record for your entry.
Congratulations Straight Shooters!
Strong Coos County Showing in State Archery Shoots

Once a month the 4-H Straight Shooters Archery Club competes at the state level and it has been an impressive year so far and just keeps getting better. Members compete against other 4-H members across Oregon based on grade in school and type of bow they are shooting with.

Our more experienced shooters Andrea Alvarez (barebow shooter) and Caleb Metzgus (compound w/sight and release) have been taking 1st to 3rd at the state level on a regular basis. I am truly impressed with all of the members, not just the improvement in their shooting but also mastering the discipline it takes to become a skilled archer. 1st year shooters, Clay Hermann & Joey Plouff, both have received an 8th and 9th place at state.

There will be a Car Wash Fund Raiser coming up to raise money for 4-H Vests for the archers to wear at Shoots and Tournaments. We will let the Association know when details are set.

Congratulations kids and thank you parents for helping with the club.

Camp Counselor Training Weekend: Apr. 18-19
If you are in grades 7-12 and are interested in being a camp counselor this year, please fill out the enclosed application. For counselor training, we are trying something new this year. Training will be offered in a weekend retreat format Apr 18-19 at Camp Myrtlewood, from 10 am—10 am. The training will cost $30 per person, to cover meals and lodging. Curry County counselors will join us for the training. If you will be unable to attend the training weekend, but are interested in being a counselor, please contact Elissa to make other arrangements.

This year, counselors in grades 7-8 will help with Growin’ Yer Grub day camps, Aug. 3-6 and Aug. 10-13. They will also be invited to assist with activities at 4-H Camp. Counselors in grades 9-12 will help with 4-H Camp, June 29—July 3.

Attention Counselors and Campers: Operation Purple Camps
Once again Oregon 4-H will be partnering with National Military Family Association to offer camps to children of ALL Military Families. This year four six-day camps will be held for differing age groups, in either Redmond or Salem. We will be looking for the "cream of the crop" camp counselors to work one, two, three or all four weeks. Please see the state 4-H website for dates and more information.

Japanese Exchange
Coos County 4-H will again be hosting Japanese Exchange students during the summer of 2009. If your family is interested in being a host family, please call Vicki Earl at 396-4748.
- Arrival in Oregon: July 22, 2009
- LABO and LEX delegates arrival in counties: July 23, 2009
- UTREK delegates arrival in counties: July 25, 2009
- Departure date from counties for all delegates: August 19, 2009

Interstate Exchange
One of our Coos County 4-H Clubs is exploring the idea of starting a 4-H interstate exchange project. This project would be for youth grades 7-11. It would be a 2-year commitment that would involve raising travel funds, traveling to another state for a week, then hosting 4-H’ers from that state for a week in year two. If you would be interested in this project, call the Extension office. We have had this program in the past and it was a lot of fun.
Congrats and Good Luck to Spring Horse Classic Teams!

Several Coos County 4-H members will represent Coos County at the Spring Horse Classic in Albany, OR, Apr. 24-26. Team members include: Lois Hannah, Brenna Hurley, Hannah Swenson, Katelyn Reeves, Carrie Plouff, Natalie Hutcheson, McKenzie Church, Kaitlyn Altenbach, Taryn Hurley, Molly Miller, Regina Richards, Brittany Glines, Abby Osborne, Robert Martino, and Kira Lindsey. Alternate team members include: Chelsie Baker, Marissa Esch, Brigid Ridge, Colton Jennings and Cameron Wright. They will be competing in horse bowl, hippology, horse judging and public speaking. Team coaches are Melissa Bates and Shelly Swenson. Good luck team!

OSU Summer Conference

OSU 4-H Summer Conference will be June 24-27 in Corvallis, OR. This is an excellent opportunity for youth grades 7-12 to see the OSU campus and get a taste of life on a college campus. Registration opens May 1. Forms and details are located on the state 4-H webpage at: http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu. Classes are available on a first come, first served basis, so register as early as possible! Registration is $200 and partial scholarships will be available from the 4-H Leaders Association.

Upcoming 4-H Events in Other Counties

For more information and registration forms, contact the Coos County OSU Extension office.

Mar. 7—Small Animal Show (rabbit, poultry, cavies), 8 am, Benton County Fairgrounds, Corvallis, OR. $10 for first 5 animals.

Mar. 14—Poultry Learning Day, 1-4 pm, Washington County Fairgrounds, Hillsboro, OR. Topics include health checks, show prep, poultry and egg judging, showmanship practice and knowledge bowl. Bring your own bird or borrow one at the event.

Apr. 4—Fowl-Poultry Showmanship Clinic, 12pm, Washington County Fairgrounds, Hillsboro, OR.

Apr. 18—Crazy Ribbon 4-H and Open Horse Show, 8am, Benton County Fairgrounds, Corvallis, OR. Classes include showmanship, Western, English and games.

May 9—Gaming Show, 9 am, Hopper’s Arena, south of Corvallis, OR. Sponsored by Benton County 4-H.

Courtesy Announcements

30-40 pigeons free to a good home. For more info call Betty before 8:00 pm at 267-7727 and leave a message. She will call you back.

Male lop rabbit (mini or Holland) available to a good home. For more info call Becky at 260-4246.

Mini Rex buck and doe rabbits available to a good home. 2 years old, very tame, live together and have no babies. For more info call RC at 888-6547 and leave message.

4-H show pigs for sale, litter born Jan 21, $150 each, call 541-679-6279 for more info.

Looking for someone to lease and train a horse for a 4-H project. For more info call Barbara at 572-5197.

For sale: Paint/Thoroughbred, dressage or jumper, mild—needs soft hand, can board at coffee cup stable. For more info call Barbara at 572-5197.
Project News

Lamb Marketing Meeting Mar. 16
Coos County Livestock Association will hold their annual lamb pool marketing meeting on Mar. 16, 7:00 pm at the Extension office. The business meeting will be followed by sheep industry news by Jim Thompson, OSU Sheep Specialist. He will discuss wool and meat market updates and share info about new Country of Origin Labeling (COOL) requirements. Take advantage of this opportunity to learn about new markets, find out what's new in the industry, and visit with other producers. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

New Livestock Auction Requirements Beginning in 2009
Every 4-H and FFA member (regardless of species or prior participation) planning to participate in the livestock auction program this year will be required to attend at least one auction committee meeting during February, March or April. In addition, one parent per member and all leaders will also need to attend. This must be done prior to your species weigh-in date or you will not be allowed to weigh-in your animal. The meeting dates are: February 10, March 10 and April 14. The auction committee members will discuss feed requirements and costs, housing needs and health care. A general program overview and paperwork deadlines will also be covered. Questions will be answered about the program and suggestions taken for consideration. Please call the Extension office at 572-5263 and speak with Elissa or Rhonda if you have questions, or call Dave at 396-2836.

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Market Chicken & Rabbit Registration Form 2009
4-H and FFA members who plan to take part in the small animal meat pen project of the Coos Youth Auction Committee need to confirm by April 1.

**If you plan to take part in raising a pen of rabbits or chickens, complete the lower portion of this page and return it to the Extension office by April 1.

Name____________________________________________________Grade_______

Address________________________________________City___________________

Phone___________________ Club_____________________________________

Check the items that apply to you and your plans:
___ 1. I plan to raise a pen of market chickens for the 2009 auction program.
___ 2. I plan to raise a pen of market rabbits for the 2009 auction program.
___ 3. I have a leased doe.
___ 4. I plan to use my own doe.
   Rabbits must be born after May 11th. Breeding date is April 11th or after.
___ 5. I need to order chicks for my market chicken project, and will pick them up and pay for them on June 4.
___ 6. I will raise my own chicks and arrange to have them inspected by June 7.
   Chicks for this project must not be more than 5 days old on June 7.
___ 7. This is my first year in the small animal auction project.

Return this form to the Extension office by April 1 for rabbits and poultry
4-H HORSE LEADERS
JUMPING CLINIC with Cassie Soule
Family Four Arena
May 10, 2009

Circle one session

9:00-12:00   Ground poles and low jumps
12:30-4:00   Jumping

Charge $10.00 per member

Name:        Phone No:

Junior       Intermediate       Senior
(circle one)

Make and send checks by March 30 to:

4-H Leaders Association
Ohlsen Baxter Building
631 Alder Street
Myrtle Point OR 97458

4-H Horse Leaders
Dressage Clinic presenting Mary Spini—Instructor
May 2, 2009   Family Four Arena

Check Box(s) that work for you!

☐ Training Level 1                ☐ Training Level 2
☐ Training Level 3                ☐ Training Level 4

Charge is $10 per person, per session. Each session will last approximately one hour.
You may sign-up for as many sessions as you would like at the additional fee.
Note: This helps you prepare for the test you will do at fair.

Name: ___________________________    Phone: __________________

Make and send checks by March 30th to:

4-H Leaders Association
Ohlsen Baxter Building
631 Alder Street
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Wildwood Chapter ODS sponsored Dressage schooling show—Family Four, May 3.
Classes for 4-H & Open. Class fee is $15 per test. You can ride more than one test at the show.
Contact Adrianne Jordan (541) 751-0624 or Mary Spini (541) 247-6728

☐ Yes, I would like to ride at the Dressage show    ☐ No, I am not interested in riding at the Dressage show
☐ I would like to come and watch the Dressage show
These awards do not have sponsors paying for them. Some will not be covered by the 4-H Leaders Assoc. Contact the Extension office if you would like to help.

Each of these are Resettes at $10.00 each

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Oregon State University
Hog and Lamb Sale
Saturday, April 11, 2009

***Location Changed!***

**Benton County Fairgrounds**
Guerber Hall
53rd Street, Corvallis

11:00 a.m. Animal Viewing

12:30 p.m. OSU Club Lambs and Consignor Project Lamb Sale
(30-35 Head Expected)
Guaranteed Consigners: OSU Club Lambs, Hawkins Club Lambs,
Weber Club Lambs

1:15 p.m. OSU Swine Unit Project Pig Sale
(30-40 Head Expected – PayLean-Free)

*Lambs will sell first, pig sale will start following the completion of the lambs*

For Questions, Please Contact:
Brianna Panter at (541) 737-3292
Brianna.panter@oregonstate.edu
Dear 4-H Families,

Spring is almost here and it’s time for all kinds of 4-H educational programs! You’ll find information for these events in this edition of the Monitor. Please be sure to mark event dates and paperwork deadlines on your calendar, so you don’t miss anything. If you have questions, please call us at the Extension office.

I also look forward to seeing you all at the Annual 4-H Spaghetti Feed and Auction on Apr. 11, 2009.

Take care,
Elissa Wells, 4-H Agent