Message from Jon:

Here we are going into September, Fair is all over and we are looking in the front door of fall. I hope that everyone had fun at the fair and have had a chance to rest and catch up. Looking into September we all have a chance to reflect on things that worked well or that need improvement for next year. If you have ideas that could make things better please either call and let me know or bring your ideas to 4-H Leader meetings.

Just a little recap—In July there was a car wash and hot dog sale fundraiser for the Million Penny Round-up. Thanks to the help of the Summer Interns, Kora Haugen and Katy Wunsch and 4-H members who volunteered, it was a success! The fund raiser was held at the Bi-mart locations in all three counties—Jefferson, Crook and Deschutes. All monies raised in Jefferson County stayed in Jefferson County. There was $336.50 raised at the carwash and hot dog sale and with the “change jug” that was placed in the store for donations there was an extra $101.07 raised. Thank you to Madras Bi-mart for their support of Jefferson County 4-H in having their parking lot available for this event. During a meeting on August 18th with the Bend Radio Group and other county representatives the event was reviewed and each location at the different counties were comparable with monies raised. With Bi-mart being a new partner this year we are hoping that next year will be much better. I appreciate the help of all who made this a successful fundraiser for our county.

This year was the first year I have been able to witness firsthand all the work that goes into putting on the 4-H Horse Fair. Though there is not as many youth in the 4-H Horse Program as there is in the 4-H Livestock program, there is still a lot of work to make the show run smoothly. I had a chance to announce during the show and I know that it was obvious that I had never announced at a horse show before, thank goodness I did not get thrown out of the announcers booth! One thing that I was impressed with was the huge amount of good sportsmanship demonstrated by the youth. The youth were there supporting each other—that is very commendable. For those of you who have not been to the 4-H Horse Fair, next year you might think of taking a swing in and say hello and I bet you too, will enjoy yourself. Good job to everyone involved, and a big thanks to everyone that helped to make it a great show!

I want to thank everyone for their efforts at the Jefferson County Fair, without all the help at the fair it would not have run as smooth as it did. Congratulations to all the youth who had an exhibit at the Fair, the Fair would not be what it is with out all of your hard work. All of the exhibitors, whether it be static, or livestock, you all deserve a pat on the back for a job well done!

Premium totals are available, call the office if you are needing that amount to finish up your record book. Record books are due on September 30th for judging. All record books need to be checked off to be able to re-enroll for the 2010-2011 4-H year.

Something to keep on your radar in the next month is Recognition Night. This yearly event is in the planning stages and will be held October 16th, at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds.

Have a great month as the new school year begins and fall gets underway!

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2010 4-H Calendar
This calendar will be updated as events are added or deleted

September
1  Premium checks available (after noon)
9  Horse Leader meeting, 6:30 pm, Extension Office
14 SA Leader meeting, 6:30 pm, Extension Office
14 Livestock Leader meeting, 7:15 pm, Extension Office
20 Exec Council meeting, 7 pm Extension Office
22 Recognition Night forms due to the office
30 Record Books due for Judging contest

October
Enrollment for 2010-2011 4-H year begins
3-9 National 4-H Week
4 4-H Horse Ride Night, Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 5:30—8:30 p.m.
7 Horse Leader meeting, 6:30 pm, Extension Office
8 4-H Booth at “Let’s talk Family Matters” Conservative Baptist Church
11 4-H Horse Ride Night, Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 5:30—8:30 p.m.
12 Livestock Leader meeting, 7:15 pm, Extension Office
16 Recognition Night, Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m.
18 Exec Council meeting, 7 pm, Extension Office

November
8 4-H Horse Ride Night, Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 5:30—8:30 p.m.
15 4-H Horse Ride Night, Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 5:30—8:30 p.m.
25 Thanksgiving holiday—Extension Office closed

December
4 FLL (First Lego League) Competition, Marshall High School, Bend
6 4-H Horse Ride Night, Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 5:30—8:30 p.m.
13 4-H Horse Ride Night, Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 5:30—8:30 p.m.
24 Christmas holiday—office closed
31 New Year’s Eve holiday—office closed

January 2011
10 4-H Horse Ride Night, Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 5:30—8:30 p.m.
14-17 High Desert Leadership Retreat and High Desert and 4-H Volunteer Retreat
17 4-H Horse Ride Night, Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 5:30—8:30 p.m.
15 Club Enrollments due to the Extension Office

Jefferson County 4-H Committee Meetings:
If you are a volunteer leader in Jefferson County, you are a member of a committee. Your ideas are important, this is where decisions are made regarding your project areas, please come to a committee meeting and help make Jefferson County 4-H “all that it can be”. Find your project area and the date of your respective meeting (meetings are held at the Extension Office unless otherwise noted, meeting times are indicated on calendar pages 2 and 3):

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Jefferson County SET (Science, Engineering, and Technology) thanks Heidi Badger

A thousand thank yous to Heidi Badger who has served as SET coordinator for Jefferson County since 2008 and has worn many hats in the Jefferson County 4-H Program as well. Heidi has been responsible for development of the Lego Robotics program, coordination of family fun events, 3rd Grade Pond Tour, afterschool programs, as well as support of new SET clubs in Jefferson County and Warm Springs. Thanks to funding from Keith Manufacturing, the Warm Springs Community Action Team, and the Commission on Children and Families, Heidi’s position has been funded for almost two years. While the grants are now finished, Heidi has left a foundation of volunteers and committed youth that we anticipate will continue meeting well into the future.

Farewell to Shawn Morford

At the end of September, Shawn Morford, is leaving her position as staff chair/4-H faculty at Warm Springs and Jefferson County to re-establish her contracting/consulting firm in the Forest Grove area west of Portland and to accept a part-time position with Rural Development Initiatives, Inc. She served as staff chair/4-H faculty at Warm Springs since 2007; responsibilities for oversight of Jefferson County 4-H was added to her plate in October 2009. Shawn initiated one of the newest 4-H programs in the county, the Jefferson Co. 4-H Family Hoedown Music Club that involved 15 youth and three adult leaders and several resource leaders in learning folk instruments such as fiddle, guitar, and penny whistle and performed at the Jefferson County Fair. As staff chair at Warm Springs, she supervised the nutrition education program, 4-H and Agriculture. Under her leadership, a new MOU between Oregon State University and the Confederated Tribes was signed, and a new coalition of youth serving organizations in Warm Springs was launched. She co-led a family-based culture camp on the Reservation and increased partnerships with the tribal Culture and Heritage Dept. Good luck Shawn!

The following is a community event that you may want to participate in:

“Let’s Talk Family Matters” Community Education Seminar on October 8th, 2010

This is an all day event from 7:30 am until 5:00 pm at the Madras Conservative Baptist Church located at 751 NE 10th Street. It is so important to let our community know what resources are available to youth and their families here in Jefferson County.

Jefferson County 4-H SET Club News

The 4-H SET Club will be meeting at the Extension Office on Wednesday’s after-school 3:45 to 5:30—beginning September 15th, 2010.

4-H Horse Member News

4-H Horse Ride Nights to begin starting October 4th. 4-H Horse members need to be enrolled for the current year to be able to participate in ride nights and need to be accompanied by a leader or parent.
**Summer Activities**

By the end of this summer, some of you may be wondering the outcome of the 4-H fun we put on over the past three months. We’re happy to report that the summer activities were very successful. The once weekly activities certainly added a little fun to the summer’s of existing 4-H members as well as brought new faces to the Jefferson County 4-H program.

The fun started on July 1st when we organized a soldier box activity where the kids were invited to help put together care packages and write letters to Oregon soldiers serving overseas in Afghanistan. The response was great and the kids were able to put together and ship off three packages of morale lifting items for the soldiers. Since then, some of the kids, as well as us, have received letters of thanks from the soldiers. They were so grateful for the items and really appreciated the time we took to not only share these gifts, but to think of them and what they are all doing for us.

The next big event we organized was the Million Penny Radio Round-up at the Madras Bi-Mart on July 9th. With the much appreciated help of volunteers from a few clubs, the kids were able to raise $336.50 in car wash and hot dog sales, and an extra $101.07 from a donations jug left at the Bi-Mart through the weeks before.

The next week we were able to organize a tour of the crop dusting airplanes flown by Chris Tatro of Cat-Ag Aviation in Madras. Being that it was held the week before Fair, the turnout was a little poor, but those who attended learned that there are a lot more positive components to crop dusting than that yellow airplane that wakes us all up in the early hours of the morning.

During fair week, we had so much fun putting together an Old Fashioned Fair Games event for the Friday of fair. The kids enjoyed various games including gunny sack races, peanut toss, balloon darts, tin can pyramids, and a cake walk.
On July 29th, Madras High School girls Varsity soccer players, as well as Coach Debbie Taylor, volunteered their time to teach a mini soccer day camp at Friendship Park. Many new faces showed up for this activity and the program is now looking into starting a 4-H Soccer Club in Jefferson County.

During week following our soccer activity, we invited the community to a star party hosted by us with the help of Portland area astronomer Roy Woo. The activity had an incredible turnout with 43 people who came to roast s’mores around the fire, learn more about the constellations we see in the night sky, and look through the three telescopes provided by Mr. Woo and his friends. Despite the smoke looming over the town from the Sisters fire, those who came were able to see many constellations, star clusters, and even planets through the telescopes. For those interested, we will see if we can start an astronomy club in the near future.

With the abundance of hot dogs that did not sell at the Radio Round-up, we set up at Erickson’s Thriftway on the 5th of August to see if we could raise more money for the Jefferson County 4-H Program. With the much appreciated help of 4-H Member Madison Fontaine, we were able to sell almost all of the remaining hot dogs, and raise over $100 to support the remainder of our summer activities and for the 4-H program.

August 11th left the us hosting NASA Educational Specialist Tony Leavitt at Sahalee Park where he showed a group of 15 kids how to design, build, and finally launch their very own rockets. Everyone had such a great time and Tony beat his launch record of 140 yards, reaching 142 yards, launching clear from the pavilion to the road in front of the Madras Christian Church.

Our very last thing on this summer’s agenda was to dig up the time capsule out in front of the Extension Office. The capsule was buried on July 29th, 1997 by the 4-H Summer Fun group coordinated by Liz Blann. It took us about 40 minutes of digging in the flower bed to find the actual capsule, which was filled with treasures from 13 years ago. The kids had left little trinkets like toy cars, baseball cards, and even thunder eggs. We reburied the capsule with some of our own items, and left the old ones that held up well in the time capsule. We hope to dig this capsule up again the summer of 2020.

Thank you for everyone who helped us with our fundraisers and for those who participated in our activities! We had a great summer!

-Kora Haugen and Katy Wunsch
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Just for fun Trivia, whoever calls the office with the correct answer first will win the prize of the month.

Question:
What do the Green and White 4-H Colors symbolize?

Record Books

Record Books are due for Judging by September 30th, 2010, for the Record Book Contest. They must be completed through State Fair. Your project record must be signed by the 4-H leader.

Mark your calendars for:

Recognition Night
October 16th, 2010
at the
Jefferson County Fairgrounds

More information to follow at a later date...

Good Job at the Jefferson County Fair Hay, Horses and Hats!