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4-H Update



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*Newsletter deadline is the
third Tuesday of the month.*

National Volunteer Week: April 19 - April 25

Take an opportunity during National Volunteer Week to do something special for your 4-H Volunteer Leader.

Send them a note

Bake them some goodies

Simply say, "thanks"

TO ALL 4-H Leaders, Parents, Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, Brothers, Sisters, Extended Families, Guardians, Foster Parents, Friends, Businesses and the many, many volunteers, both official and unofficial, who help to "Make the Best Better" in Josephine County:

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

To all 4-H Volunteers: Please attend the 4-H Leaders' Association meeting on April 2nd as we have important information to share!

LAST 4-H Volunteer Training OF THE YEAR!

If you are interested in becoming a 4-H Volunteer you must obtain an application packet from the OSU Extension Office **IMMEDIATELY!** The application must be completed and submitted before attending the training.

If you have submitted your application but have not yet taking the training, contact Chris 476-6613 **IMMEDIATELY** for additional information.

Need Help with your Records???

4-H Record Book training, including Advancements
 Schedule a time for your club or several clubs by calling Chris or Sue 476-6613 in the OSU Extension Office.
 It's never too soon to be working on your record books.

ONLY 3+ months until record books are **DUE** for Fair.
 Not much time left!



My how
time flies!

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4-H County-Wide Activities

For all 4-Hers and their families
To help increase overall
4-H participation and camaraderie.

CINCO-DE-MAYO CARNIVAL

Saturday, May 2nd, 10 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Grants Pass Courier Parking Lot

If you are looking for a FUN fundraiser consider participating in this event and setting up a carnival booth. Contact Maria Flores 541-761-4316, Brittney Elmore 541-226-2610 or Carlie Myers 541-659-7997 for more details and to reserve your space.

BOATNIK PARADE FLOAT Mtg

Come to the April 2nd 4-H Leaders' Association Meeting to find out more details concerning the planning and decorating of our 4-H Float.

BOATNIK PARADE Saturday, May 23

Grab your club T-shirt
and join the parade!

We would like representation from every club!
Your participation will help to demonstrate the
diversity of 4-H opportunities available.



Beef Business



Clipping Demo & Mini Show

Hosted by Basically Beef 4-H Club
Sunday April 5th 10 a.m.
Jo. Co. Fairgrounds

Entry Fee: 2 items for the Jo. Co. Food Bank
Showmanship prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place

Bring Steers Washed

(no running water available)

Grooming equipment and chutes will be needed!

Scales will be available

Lunch will be available to purchase
hamburgers, hotdogs and sodas

4-H YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING

April 2nd @ 5:30 p.m.

OSU Extension Auditorium



ATTENTION: To every 4-H Club in
Josephine County - PLEASE send a minimum of one Jr.
Leader representative to this meeting - more is even bet-
ter! The agenda will include planning for the Boatnik
Float, Boatnik Parade and County Fair.
Call Chris 476-6613 for further details.

**Help your youth become involved in this area
of 4-H Leadership!**

4-H LEADERS' ASSOCIATION

And Division Meetings

April 2nd at 6:30 p.m. →

OSU Extension Auditorium

**NOTE NEW
START TIME**

Agenda Items for April include:

- Financial Basics for your club
- Compost fund raiser at Spring Garden Fair
- 4-H Float for Boatnik Parade

**ALL 4-H VOLUNTEERS
are requested to attend this meeting!**

IMPORTANT NOTE:

May's Mandatory Auction Meeting for
clubs with Market Animals will take place immedi-
ately following the 4-H Leaders' Association meet-
ing on May 7th. Every market animal club **MUST**
have at least one adult 4-H volunteer or parent pre-
sent from their club **FOR EACH** market project in
their club. **Clubs without representation will for-
feit fair parking passes. BE THERE** and support
the Young Farmers as they support our kids!

Beef Pre-Fair: Monday, April 13th 6:30—8:30 p.m.

The Jr. Livestock Auction Registration Form, a copy of
your e-Slip and \$5.00 per steer will be collected before pre-
-fair. Flyers, forms and instructions will be distributed to
clubs at the April 2nd 4-H Leaders' Assoc. meeting.

Horse Happenings



NEXT Division Meeting:

Thursday, April 2nd, Ext. Aud.,
following the Leaders' Association meeting

Agenda Items for **April** include:

- Additional Program updates - judges, dates, places, times for events
- Distribution of Horse Questions for March and April

Please have a representative from every club that offers the horse project attend these meetings!

To exhibit a horse project at the County Fair - Horse Project advancement requirements are:
First year Horse Project Members: Complete Step 1
All other Horse Project Members: Complete 7 advancement options.

IMPORTANT May 1st Deadlines!

- **Horse Possession**
- **Horse Forms**
 - 4-H Horse Registration,
 - Copy of Lease Agreement,
 - Horse Jumping Certification,
 - Ground Training Certification, and
 - Owner Trained Certification

All forms are available in the OSU Extension Office. Each horse must have a 4-H Horse Registration form on file. The other forms must also be submitted if you are pursuing those disciplines. If you are leasing a horse you must devise your own lease! A generic sample is available in the OSU Extension Office.
- **Horse Sponsorships**

Each club is responsible for a \$25 sponsorship per club member enrolled as of March 16th. These funds are used to help offset the costs of our youth exhibiting at County Fair. Please turned in these sponsorships on time so that purchases can be made in a timely manner.

All of the forms listed above as well as the sponsorships are DUE in the OSU Extension Office by May 1st -- BEFORE would be better!

Dog Doings



Show-N-Go

NO COST

Date: Saturday, April 4th and Saturday, June 13th (Rally)

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Place: Schroeder Park

Also AKC Canine Good Citizen available for \$5.00

Grooming Workshop

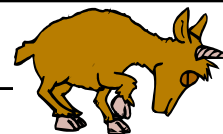
Date: Tuesday, April 21st

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Place: OSU Extension Auditorium

Question? Call Tami 476-4093 or Evelyn 479-1563

Goat Gossip



Goat Pre-Fair: Saturday, June 13th 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Woolsey's Family Home

2961 Woodland Park Rd, GP

Bring a potluck dish for lunch

This year's judge, Diane Heaney will be giving a showmanship/conformation clinic. Please bring all the goats you possibly can, both good and bad conformation, even if not part of your project. CAE testing will be provided for \$10 per animal. We will be collecting \$25 per project for division awards. This is a **MANDATORY** pre-fair!

Questions? Call Ann 479-4740

Rabbit Rumors



Annual Planning Meeting

Sunday May 17th, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

The Rabbit project annual planning meeting for County Fair will once again be held at Pizza Hut.

Saddle Bumpers Open Show

Saturday, April 11th @ 8:30 a.m.

Jo. Co. Fairgrounds

Show Sheets are available in the OSU Extension Office.



SHEEP PRE-FAIR

Date: Monday, June 1st
Time: 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Place: Junior Livestock Barn,
 Josephine County Fairgrounds

Directions for Weigh-In:

1. Enter **FAIRGOUNDS (NOT the Extension Parking Lot)** and park around the Junior Livestock Barn
2. Unload lamb
3. Pick up paperwork at the check-in table.
4. Take lamb and paperwork to scale.
5. Take lamb and paperwork to evaluator.
6. Load lamb.

What you need to bring to Sheep Pre-fair:

1. Your lamb(s)
2. Closed toed shoes

What you need to give to your Sheep Project Leader BEFORE Sheep Pre-Fair:

1. Completed and signed Junior Auction Registration Form. (Including SCRAPIE TAG#)
2. **COPY** of Bill of Sale
3. **FEE: \$4.00 for Primary Lamb AND \$4.00 for Backup Lamb**

If you cannot personally take your animal across the scale, you must request permission from the Extension Office. Your request must be submitted in writing by Wednesday, May 27th. Your request must state the reason and who will be leading your lamb across the scale.

NOTES: *If your lamb becomes ill, CALL Chris at the Extension Office IMMEDIATELY and DO NOT BRING YOUR LAMB TO PRE-FAIR! Leave a message on his voice mail if he does not answer (ext. 105). ALSO, if your lamb has diarrhea in the trailer it will be weighed last.*

SWINE PRE-FAIR



Date: Saturday, June 6th

Time: Consult the time table for your club's time to weigh.

Place: Junior Livestock Barn, Josephine County Fairgrounds

NOTE: De-worm your hog over the Memorial Day weekend. This is for your hog's protection as well as your fellow 4-Her's hog protection.

What you need to Give to your Leader:

1. **COPY** of Bill of Sale with **REQUIRED** information
2. **FEE: \$4.00 for Primary Hog AND \$4.00 for Backup Hog**
3. The completed and signed Junior Auction Registration Form

Leaders must return the required information and money in the manila envelope with members' names on the outside of the envelope to the Extension Office no later than Wednesday, May 27th.

Consult the Swine Flyer given to you with your registration form for directions.

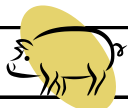
If you cannot be there with your hog, you must be officially excused by contacting the Extension Office in writing stating the reason for your not attending the pre-fair. You must also provide the name of the designated 4-Her who will lead your hog across the scale. This note must be in the Extension Office by Wednesday, May 27th.

NOTES: *If your hog becomes ill, call Chris at the Extension Office, IMMEDIATELY and DO NOT BRING YOUR HOG TO PRE-FAIR! Leave a message on his voice mail if he does not answer (ext. 105). ALSO, if your hog has diarrhea in the trailer it will be the last animal to be weighed.*

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| 7:00—8:30 a.m. | 8:30—10:00 a.m. | 10:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m. |
| Jest Kiddin Round | SSB | Hog Wild |
| Pigs N Gigs | Wild River Posse | NV Livestock |
| RV Pork Choppers | | Still Livin' Livestock |
| Three Rivers Livestock | | Williams Swinging Swine |

NOTE: Be sure to wear closed toe shoes

Swine Stuff



NEXT Division Meeting:

Thursday, April 2nd, Ext. Aud.,
following the Leaders' Association meeting

Agenda Items for April include:

- Pre-Fair details
- Fair pictures
- Other items as needed

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The 290 lb.
MAXIMUM WEIGHT for an AUCTION HOG is
now RECOMMENDED NOT RESTRICTED!

Livestock Judging

LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Sunday, May 17th

Jonni Martin's Place

16250 HWY 238

1:00 p.m.: Registration

1:15 p.m.: Judging Jamboree (fun classes)

2:00 p.m. Judging begins

There will be refreshments and prizes!

This contest could help you qualify for the Senior or Intermediate State Livestock Judging Team, so....

Come join in the fun!

'Tis the Season of Pre-Fairs

Beef: Monday, April 13th 6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Goats: Saturday, June 13th, 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Swine: Saturday, June 6th, 7 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

Sheep: Monday, June 1st, 5 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

Horse: Saturday, June 20th, (Brush Riders)
and Saturday, July 18th (Fairgrounds)
(Need to attend only one of the horse)

Rabbit: Saturday, July 25th
(after Fairgrounds cleanup)

These Pre-Fairs are MANDATORY!

Older 4-H Youth Opportunities - Int. & Sr.

4-H Summer Science Camp August 4-15 at OSU in Corvallis

Application deadline: April 15, 2009

OSU is looking for 48 exceptional future scientists, who are currently entering grades six, seven and eight, to attend the ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp this summer.

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.

The two-week residential camp, offers students 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.

Applications are available in the OSU Extension Office or on line at:

<http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/sites/default/files/StudentApp09.pdf>

4-H Summer Conference June 24-27 at OSU in Corvallis

Registration begins May 1, 2009

Summer Conference is an opportunity for over 300 4-H members, grades 7-12, to travel to Corvallis, explore campus life, make new friends, and have a lot of fun. While there, participants attend classes on a wide variety of subjects such as last year's trip to the coast to learn about marine life, rifle, knitting, greek life, and a tour of OSU.

The conference begins with an engaging speaker and after dinner fun activities begin. Thursday and Friday are full of classes, a community service project, and more fun evening activities including a pool party and a dance. The conference is capped off with a closing brunch Saturday morning.

The cost for this fun adventure is \$200.00 with Jo. Co. 4-H Leaders' Association reimbursing you up to \$100.00, after you attend.

4-H Ambassadors

Looking to take that next step in developing your leadership skills and helping our 4-H program grow? Then consider becoming a 4-H Ambassador. An application and attendance at 4-H Summer Conference Ambassador training is required. Contact Chris 476-6613 for further details and pickup your application in the OSU Extension Office. (Application deadline is Friday, May 22nd in the County Office.)



Applause!!! Applause!!! Applause!!!



Congratulations Advancer

Pigs-N-Gigs

Caleb Lennon, Swine 2, Step 1,2,3

Joshua Lennon, Swine 1, Step 1,2,3

Three Rivers Livestock

Hailee Pacher, Swine 1, Step 1,2,3

Breanne Smith, Swine 1, Step 1,2,3

Hog Wild

Ally Clayton, Swine 2, Step 1,2,3

Ashley Clayton, Swine 2, Step 1,2,3

SSB, Inc.

Sasha Ferguson, Swine 2, Step 1,2,3

RV Pork Choppers

Hannah Gretz, Swine 1, Step 1,2,3

4-H Community Service Ideas

- **Help Seniors in our community:** Give time and “man” power to those Seniors needing help without accepting a donation (see this same section under “4-H Fund Raising Ideas” - below) and use it for community service. Call Bobbie Rogers 471-1197 for names of those who could really use your club’s help!
- **Would you like to help feed the hungry while practicing your vocabulary, math or geography skills?** Play www.freerice.com and help donate rice to those who are in need.

4-H Fund Raising Ideas

HELP IS NEEDED for our yearly County-wide fund raiser

- **Help with Compost Fund Raiser at the Spring Garden Fair:** We will be needing clubs to bag compost and also sell it during the Master Gardeners’ SGF, April 25th & 26th. Bagging will begin in the morning on both days before the event is open and will continue until all the compost is bagged. Clubs need to sign up for 2-hour time slots to sell the bagged compost and load it into vehicles. Call 476-6613 to reserve your preferred time slot on Saturday or Sunday or both!
- **Help Seniors in our community:** Due to the economic times some seniors cannot afford to hire help to work around their homes, but they are willing to donate some funds to groups who can give them a hand. Bobbie Rogers (471-1197) will be compiling a list of those requiring assistance. Please call her for names of those who could really use your club’s help!

THANKS



Thanks to ALL who helped with Swine Field Day, the 4-H youth, Volunteers and especially the parents! Thanks also to Celia Randolph, Larry Mason, Chris Names, Jack Beck and Amy Fogg for their excellent and informative presentations! Special thanks to all the food guys who worked the kitchen and the grill and made sure everyone was well fed!

Congratulations to:

- * Denise Ferguson of SSB, Inc., who is the recipient of the Alison Armstrong First Year Jr. Swine Member Award.
- * Caleb and Jenna Lennon of Pigs-N-Gigs, who each won \$125 donated by the Swine Div. toward the purchase of a hog
- * Megan VerMeer of SSB, Inc., who won \$100 donated by Celia and Dave Randolph toward purchase of a hog
- * Forrest and Lindsey Andres-Beck of Jest Kiddin’ Round, who won 4 bags of feed donated by Farmers Feed and Pet Supply for their high scores on the Feed ID Contest
- * Luke Valle of Wild River Posse, who won 4 bags of feed donated by Farmers Feed and Pet Supply for his high score on the Feed ID Contest
- * All the other prize winners

THANKS, ALSO

Thanks to ALL who helped with Sheep, Rabbit and Poultry Field Day and especially to: **KYM WOOLSEY**; Pam and Jocelyn Hogan; Linda, Laura and Ryan Adkins; Dennis, Sara and Dylan Wilkerson; Dawn Wiltermood; Debbie Lawrence; Lorena, Mike and Jamison Becker; Kale Woolsey; Caleb Doane; Tami and Cameron Allen; Allie Tibbits; Cards N' Combs; Wild River Posse; North Valley Livestock. This event would not have happened without all your assistance!!!

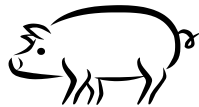
April 2009 4-H Citizen of the Month NO Submissions!

4-H Citizen of the Month Award: Written nominations and a picture are due in the OSU Extension Office the 3rd Tuesday of every month.



Sheep and Swine Breeders

The OSU Extension Office is compiling its breeders' list. If you plan to have market hogs or lambs to sell, please contact Lorena @ 476-6613. If you have animals to sell, this is one list you want to be on!



Record Book Workshops Planned:



Thursday, April 9th
Monday, April 27th

Extension Auditorium

Bring your record books!

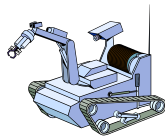
Call 476-6613 for the times and to sign up.

P.S. **ONLY** 3+ months to fair-entry day!

2009 Josephine County Fair

Theme:

**Wagon Wheels
to
Space Mobiles**



High School Senior Pictures Needed

Please bring a hard copy to the office or e-mail a digital photo to the OSU Extension Office (lorena.becker@oregonstate.edu) by Wednesday, May 6th. Pictures will be used for the office bulletin board **and** your Senior Award. Hard copy photos will be returned to you.

Announcements

FOR SALE

Horses PLUS English and Western Tack
Call Sandi Wester - 846-0471

YOUTH RABBIT RALLY

Friday, April 10th @ Jackson. Co. Fairgrounds

Begins at 6:30 p.m., concludes at 8:30 p.m.

\$5.00 for rabbits, \$5.00 for cavies or \$10.00 for both
Entry forms available at the OSU Extension Office

Call Wylie Brown 826-9554 or
Stephanie Haupt 227-1634 for more info.

For your clothing projects -
**We Have a Serger
and two sewing machines.**



4-H Sewing Project Leaders, check it out!

Check with the OSU Extension Office to use them for club projects or for those 4-H members who do not have access to a sewing machine for their 4-H projects.

In case you forgot or didn't know in the first place -

**We Have TWO Digital
Camera Kits!!!**



4-H Photography Project Leaders,
check it out!

Check with the OSU Extension

Office to use them for club projects or for those 4-H members who do not have access to a camera for their 4-H projects.

MARCH

M&M/Star Bursts/Snickers

Award Winners:

Anna Doane, Sasha Ferguson,

Tonya Doane - Great JOB!

Yes, we counted the printing error!



Remember: The first person to find and report a "My Mistake" wins the M&M award, "Sue's Blunders" wins the Star Bursts award or "Sue's Silly Slips" wins the Snickers award. Look for misspellings, dates, grammar, etc. You can call any time and simply leave a message at ext #107.

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills

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Calendar of Events

April

- 1 **DEADLINE** for possession of animal for beef auction project
- 2 4-H Youth Council Meeting, Ext. Aud., 5:30 p.m.
- 2 4-H Leaders' Association & Division Meetings, Ext. Aud., 6:30 p.m.
- 4 Dog Show-N-Go, Schroeder Park, 8:30 a.m.
- 5 Clipping Demo & Mini Beef Show, Jr. Livestock Barn, 10 a.m.
- 9 Records Workshop, Ext. Aud. 6:30 p.m.
- 10 Youth Rabbit Rally, Jackson Co. Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m.
- 11 Saddle Bumpers Open Horse Show, 8:30 a.m., Jo. Co. Fairgrounds
- 13 Beef Pre-Fair, Jr. Livestock Barn @ Josephine Co. Fairgrounds, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
- 15 **DUE:** 4-H Summer Science Camp Application @ 4-H State Office
- 17-19 Oregon 4-H Master Shooting Sports Leader Training, Redmond, OR
- 19-25 National Volunteer Week
- 24-26 Spring Horse Classic, Albany, OR
- 25-26 4-H Compost Fund Raiser, Spring Garden Fair @ Josephine Co. Fairgrounds
- 27 Records Workshop, Ext. Aud. 6:30 p.m.

Planning for May

- 1 **DEADLINE** for possession of animal for horse project
- 1 **DUE:** Horse Registrations, leases, other forms, etc. **ALSO** Horse Sponsorships
- 2 Cinco-De-Mayo 4-H Carnival
- 6 **DUE:** High School Senior Pictures
- 7 4-H Youth Council Meeting, Ext. Aud., 5:30 p.m.
- 7 4-H Leaders' Association, **MANDATORY AUCTION PROJECT MEETING** & Division Meetings, Ext. Aud., 6:30 p.m.
- 15 **DEADLINE** for possession of animal for sheep and swine project
- 17 Livestock Judging, Martin's Home, 1:00 p.m.
- 17 Rabbit Project Planning Meeting, Pizza Hut, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- 22 **DUE:** 4-H Ambassador Applications @ OSU Extension Office
- 23 Boatnik Parade - All clubs are invited to participate
- 25 Office Closed - Memorial Day
- 27 **DUE:** Sheep and Swine Pre-Fair Registrations

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