County Fair registration day looms ahead

The beginning of County Fair season is less than four weeks away, starting with Registration Day — Tuesday, June 28.

“In person” registration for Swine, Goat, and Home, Arts & Science entries, will be held from noon to 7 p.m. in the Extension Auditorium (Horse registration will take place from 4 to 7 p.m.).

All fair entry forms/registration forms and fees ($2 per entry) need to be brought in on Registration Day. No fair registrations will be accepted after June 28. Only Beef, Dog and Market Poultry registration papers and fees can be dropped off at the Extension Office prior to registration day (those project records will be checked at Fair on Entry Day (see story pgs. 6-7 for listing of entry days for various projects).

Some projects also require Project Records – COMPLETED by member – for fair registration. Those projects include: Swine, Horse, and all Home, Arts & Science projects. All market animals need COOL FORM!.

Superintendents and leaders will be on hand to check project records and entry forms. Then you stop by cashier table to pay the fees and drop off entry forms, and take your records back home.

Members who cannot register in person must send all registration forms, project records and fees with leader or someone else.

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Lobster Creek Camp gears up for August events

Brochures for Camp Lobster Creek, held each year in August, will be mailed to each 4-H family with 4th-12th graders within the week.

Two camps will be held: the younger camp for 4th-7th graders will be held Aug. 8-12; the older camp for 7th-12th graders will be held Aug. 14-18. Seventh graders get to choose which camp they want to attend.

Costs of foods and transportation have increased dramatically lately, so the camp fee must also be in-

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General Information

What’s new at Fair?
A few notable changes are planned . . .

Hay Palace:
There will be a great big hay palace, built and operated by the 4-H membership, located between Krause Barn and the Lithia Concert walls (next to the smoking area). The approximately 48-ft. x 40-ft. x 9-ft. structure (exterior measurements), complete with turrets, flags and draw bridge (and maybe a moat), will feature educational information about agriculture. It will include chick incubators (hatching Japanese Quails), a children’s play area of corn, and daily rotations of presentations about agriculture, and educational displays (like wildlife pelts, alpacas, wool and sheep, beekeeping, etc.).

Horse Land:
Located by the Isola “tower/announcer booth” area and the horse arena bleachers, will be a new playground area for the young fairgoers, according to Kristy Artman, Horse Superintendent. The fenced-off site, being developed by the horse clubs, will feature hands-on equine experiences, like dress-up cowboy clothes, photo boards, and educational displays about “all things horse.”

No 4-H Food Booth:
The traditional 4-H Food Booth will not be seen at county fair this year. 4-H members have been working a number of food booths this spring in order to free up club members’ time during County Fair, yet still raise funds for summer camp and other 4-H activities. There will be a lots of new food booths this year located in “food row” and in other areas.

Family Fair Passes:
The Season Pass (strips of six) for 4-H and FFA families will sell for $26 at the same time wristbands are issued, with a maximum of two passes per person. They will be sold in the ticket booth by the fairgrounds’ flagpole.

County Fair Hours:
Hours for fair: 11 am-11 pm; Sunday: 11 am-6 pm

Technology Tent & Carnival:
The technology displays & activities (including the 4-H Lego Robotic Challenges), “will probably be in a tent on the main paved lot,” says Events Coordinator Melissa Damon. She also adds that the Carnival had been “moved west and a little north.”

Concert Admission:
All concerts will require a ticket that can be purchased on-line. These concert tickets do not include fair admission, which must be purchased separately (unless they have 4-H/FFA member or leader wristbands).

Concert Line-up:
♦ Tuesday, July 19: Big Tim Rush
♦ Wednesday, July 20: Clay Walker
♦ Thursday, July 21: Joan Jett and the Black Hearts
♦ Friday, July 22: Regional Country Western: Coyote Creek, Jason Johnston and Michael Boren and Amy Clawson.
♦ Saturday, July 23: Regional Blues: Broadway Phil and the Shouters, Rhythm Kings, and then Curtis Salgado.

Have any cell phones lying around that you don’t use anymore?

Bring those unused cell phones to the Extension Office and help your 4-H program!

DROP BOX LOCATED IN LOBBY

Cell Phone Drive is part of an on-going fundraiser for Jackson County 4-H Scholarship Fund

Note: Do not bring in phone chargers or accessories
Exhibitor news for 4-H County Fair:

Free County Fair exhibitor books no longer available; different versions online. Changes found in the following divisions (capitalized) and categories (underlined)

As announced in our last newsletter, the Expo Fairgrounds is no longer printing the county fair book. Different versions are available on websites, where you can download just what you need.

The familiar-looking 36-page 4-H exhibitors’ book is available on the Oregon State University’s Jackson County Extension website at: http://extension.oregonstate.edu/sorec/sites/default/files/2011_county_fair_4-h_book.pdf The 4-H exhibitors’ rules and classes are also available as part of the Open Class, 4-H & FFA County Fair book (in a different format) on the Expo Fairground’s website at: http://jcfairgrounds.com/Page.asp?NavID=482

We recommend that you take a look at the above websites and print your own copy or just those pages that you need. We do have copies of the 36-page 4-H book in the Extension Office at a cost of $1.25 each to cover expenses.

Changes in this year’s 4-H fair book include:

The biggest change will be found in Cake Decorating. The category is now available at State Fair and the classes are all new. The section is divided up into phases: Phase 1, Demonstrate Use of 3 Tips, and the classes include decorated cookie, flat cake design, and educational poster; Phase 2, Demonstrate Use of 4 Tips, and classes are decorated cupcake, flat cake design, and educational poster; Phase 3, Demonstrate Use of Multiple Tips, and classes are decorated single layer cake, decorated flat cake design, and educational poster. The Graham Cracker & Gingerbread Creations remain as county exhibits only.

When is “Entry Day” for County Fair?

Entry Day, or delivery of exhibits to the fairgrounds, varies depending on the projects (see story on p. 4 about “early entries”).

Most of the Home, Arts & Science (or static) exhibits must be delivered to Padgham Pavilion on Saturday, July 16, between 10 am and 5 pm. Delivery of animal exhibits takes place throughout the week (Monday, July 18, - Thursday, July 21) as listed on the 4-H/FFA Tentative Schedule (page 2 of 4-H fair book). Table Setting entries are to be taken to the Pavilion on Tuesday, July 19, at 1 pm.

The 4-H Flower Arranging Contest on Friday, July 22, will follow the FFA Contest this year, which begins at 1 pm. 4-H participants should be on hand no later than 2 pm.

In the EXPRESSIVE ART division, Fiber Arts has a new exhibit explanation card.

The HOME ECONOMICS division is now called FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE.

In the Food & Nutrition area, there is a new Baked Food Product at State Fair that reflects alternate dietary needs; this product choice can be found in all nine phases.

There will be four new Lego Robotic Challenges at county fair this year. In addition to the Sumo Challenge, there will be a Line Following Challenge (robots must recognize and follow a black line from start to finish in the fastest time); Clear the Road Challenge (similar to Line Following, with the addition of four soda cans, which the robot must detect and push to the right or left of the line); Off Road Racing Challenge (robot must overcome road blocks, stay on track and finish first); and Dancing Robot Challenge (robots must twist and turn and “boogie”). These challenges will be scheduled Wednesday, Thursday and Friday in the “tech” area at county fair. Details and schedule listed in fair book. Remember—if you want to compete in any of the Lego Robotic Challenges, you have to register for the entries on Registration Day, June 28, noon-7 pm.

Prepare for Lego Robotic Challenges

Attend special workshops, held in Extension Conference room, to prepare for the contests: Wednesday, July 6, 5-7 pm (Sumo, Line Following and Clear the Road); Thursday, July 7, 5-7 pm (Off Road Racing, and Dancing Robot).

Register for workshops by calling 541-776-7371, ext. 216. Leave message: your name/date.

All 4-H & FFA invited!

Whole Pork BBQ

Cooks: Leon Callahan & JD DeVette

$5 per person

Dessert Potluck

Monday, July 18, 2 pm

Beef Wash-Rack Area
Mark your calendars!

Preparing for County Fair….

Art and photography workshop scheduled

A drop-in Art and Photography matting & mounting workshop will be held **Tuesday, July 5**, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Extension Classroom. No Pre-registration required!

Bring your art and/or photos AND enough matting materials (and plastic stick-on hangers) for each exhibit. Matting requires two pieces of mat board; mounting requires just one piece of mat board.

Participants will have the use of a mat cutter, and spray adhesive. Mat board can be purchased at Central Art Supply, Designer Fabrics and Framing or any other framing store around town. If you have questions about matting or mounting your work, call Patty Bunch at 541-621-3992.

Youth Pavilion Committee looking for new members

Are you looking for community service opportunities? Are you interested in working with other older youth to take on a leadership role at this year’s county fair? If so, consider volunteering for a position on the Youth Pavilion Committee.

This group of motivated 4-H members helps take in fair entries, process judging results, display them appropriately, and helps members collect entries after fair. If this sounds like a job you would be interested in, contact Jacquelyn Brown at 541-826-9554.

Some County Fair events held long before final week

There are a number of 4-H County Fair contests that are held before final “Fair” week: The Foods Preparation Contest is held early in March, the Presentation Contest early in April, two of the three Shooting Sports contests will take place before Registration Day, the third after, as will the Fashion Revue. Even the Dog Show is held before Fair!

Public is invited to the following events:

**SHOOTING SPORTS**
- **Archery Contest** will be held **Saturday, June 18**, starting at 8 am, at the Medford Rifle & Pistol Club on East Vilas Road.
- **Shotgun Contest** will be held **Sunday, June 26**, starting at 10 am, at the Jackson County Sports Park Shooting Range on Corey Road in White City.
- **Rifle Contest** will be held **Sunday, July 10**, starting at 11 am, at the Jackson County Sports Park Shooting Range.

**FASHION REVUE**
- While the Fashion Revue judging is private, a lovely “Fashion in the Garden” show, with music, will be held **Saturday, July 9**, starting at 7 pm, in the Master Gardeners’ Rose Garden at the Extension Center (see story, p. 6). Refreshments will be served.

**DOG SHOW**
- The two-day Dog Show will be held **Friday, July 15**, 1-6 pm, and **Saturday, July 16**, 9 am-3 pm, in Olsrud Arena. There is no charge for parking or attending.

Remember, some exhibits MUST be turned in early

Attention 4-H members who want to enter exhibits in Creative Writing and/or Videography:

These two Communication Division categories have early deadlines. After the exhibits are registered on June 28, they must be turned in early at the Extension Office as follows:

**Videography** will have interview-judging (after noon) on **Tuesday, July 5**. Exhibitors will be called with their scheduled time beforehand, and will bring their entry, complete with filled-out description form and exhibitor tag, with them.

**Creative Writing** exhibits MUST be turned in to the Extension Office before 5 pm, **Friday, July 8**. Remember to include a filled out exhibitor tag.
Herdsmanship Contest

All livestock projects will continue to be judged for Herdsmanship. The objective of the Herdsmanship contest is to help teach members courtesy, responsibility, and proper care of their animals. It also ensures that we present a positive image to the public.

Judges circulate through the barns from 9 am - 8 pm each day checking the barn area, observing the members and making sure the animals are secure and comfortable.

Cash awards are presented by the Fairboard for clubs in the following divisions: ● Breeding & Market Beef, ● Goats-large clubs (more than 5 members) & clubs with less than 5 members. ● Market Swine - large clubs & clubs with less than 5 members. ● Horse.

Presentations of awards are as follows: Market Swine - prior to the Swine/Poultry auction; Beef/Goat - prior to the Beef/Goat auction; Horse - 4-H Horse Award Ceremony.

Pavilion Host/Hostesses earn Fair passes, guard exhibits

As always, we need hosts and hostesses in the Pavilion during the Fair. This is a very important task. Not only do they serve as an information source, they also “guard” the exhibits. Thousands of people wander through the building, some with food, some wanting to touch the exhibits, etc. (We are asking members NOT to handle their own exhibits either; the public will follow your example!) We have been fortunate to have few thefts, but it happens.

We reward our hosts/hostesses with a free entry to Fair. A two-hour shift in the Pavilion is a great way to “work off” your entry into the Fair. Sign up June 28 at Registration Day, 12-7 pm in the Extension Auditorium, or July 16 on Fair Entry Day; look for the Host/ Hostess signs.

Armbands and parking passes available

Armbands and parking passes will be distributed to members and leaders (in person) at the Fairground’s 4-H Office starting on Saturday, July 16. 4-H members and registered leaders who are involved at Fair, showing, doing barn duty, judging, receive an armband to get in free to the Fair. Each 4-H family also receives ONE free Exhibitor Parking pass.

Entry forms are available at the Extension Office; they will also be available at fair registration on June 28. Deadline for entries is July 11.

Buyer Brochures available in office

The auction brochures are available for members to send to potential buyers. Members typically enclose them with a handwritten letter to new buyers. Pick-up your copies now.

Buyer BBQ/Entry tickets available

A Buyers Barbecue is held prior to each auction and is designed to reward individuals and businesses who purchased animals at the auction the previous year. We do have a limited number of BBQ tickets and entry passes to entice potential buyers.

How do you get some of those tickets? • In your buyer letters… ask that they contact you if they want to come to Fair and bid on an animal. • We don’t simply send an invitation and tickets to every person to whom you have sent a buyer letter. • If they express an interest, we will send an invitation and tickets from the Extension Office. • You must get the name and complete mailing address to us at least 3-4 days prior to the auction. • Members are limited to 5 names. • Letters with 2 tickets are automatically sent to every buyer who purchased last year.

Thank You Letters are required

If you sell an animal at the auction, you must write a thank you note prior to getting your check. Bring your letter to the 4-H Fair office in an UNSEALED addressed, stamped envelope. It will be checked for content, grammar & spelling.

Extended Market Swine Show

The Jackson County Extended Market Swine Show will be held Friday, July 22, at Expo. Entries arrive Thursday, July 21, with the swine breed stock.

Entry forms are available at the Extension Office; they will also be available at fair registration on June 28. Deadline for entries is July 11.
More County Fair news . . .

“Fashion in the Garden” set for July 9

Public invited to view 7 pm show in Extension Center rose garden

The Jackson County 2011 4-H Fashion Revue will take place Saturday, July 9, at the OSU Extension Center. This is the “showmanship” of the Clothing and Textiles project. Members sew a garment they can model, wear it for the private interview judging (held between 9:30 am and 2:30 pm in the auditorium), and then model the garment again for the public show, starting at 7 pm outside in the Master Gardeners’ Rose Garden. Refreshments will be served and Fashion Revue winners announced.

The public show is a perfect opportunity for other 4-H members to see what Fashion Revue is all about. Bring your family and friends.

New and returning 4-H members who are interested in learning more about Fashion Revue are encouraged to call Kim Wallan at 541-776-2058 to schedule a practice session. If any members of your club would like to help with refreshments, decorations, music, choreography, clerking, or any other aspect of Fashion Revue, please call Kim (number above) or Anne Manlove (541-776-7371). Such help is good for community service on your 4-H records.

Recycling continues at County Fair

Jackson County Fair is now in its fifth year of recycling, and each year 4-H members help to keep mountains of materials out of the landfill.

The Fairgrounds makes it easy for everyone to pitch in. Recycling equipment in the stalls, camping and barn areas collect plastic bottles and aluminum cans, and paper products, such as cereal boxes, soda boxes, fliers, posters and pamphlets. There are receptacles for plastic shavings bags, and manure disposal sites as well.

Behind the scenes, food vendors set aside compostable food scraps, like the lemon rinds from lemon-ade, potato peels from French fries, and onion peels from onion rings. Grease from fried foods is collected and turned into biodiesel fuel. Glass, scrap metals and wood are also kept out of the wastestream.

Spread the word to your club members, and do your part to make the program a success. Other ideas to reduce waste (and save money) at Fair are:

● Bring refillable drink containers for water and other beverages,
● Pack gallon jugs or igloos of water from home,
● Use reusable plates and utensils instead of disposables,
● Use cloth towels and napkins instead of paper products,
● Make use of the recycling receptacles available throughout the Fairgrounds.

Auction Barbecue Servers needed for county fair

Darlene Rambo will be assisting Phyllis Caldwell with the Buyer Barbecues this year. She is looking for older youth or adults who might be interested in helping serve at one or all of the events. The schedule for County Fair is as follows: Pork – Wednesday, July 20, from 5:30 – 7 pm; Beef – Saturday, July 23, from 5:30 – 7:30 pm.

Interested? Call Darlene at 541-621-0376.

Please remember — Pick up your exhibits at the end of Fair (July 24, 6 pm, Pavilion building). Do NOT leave them for someone else to haul back to 4-H office for you.

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New this year: Swine registrations must include member order forms for bales of shavings ($5 each bale, two recommended for each pig; maybe more for breed stock). See your leader for the forms, or contact Barbara Niedermeyer at (541) 659-3984.

Returning: Scheduled Interview Judging continues to be possible for Home, Arts & Sciences. Look for the “Interview Scheduling” table in the auditorium during Registration Day. Interviews will be scheduled from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 16, in Expo Pavilion (first come, first served).
STATE FAIR news
Registrations will be needed soon — mark your calendars!

The Oregon State Fair will be held on August 26-Sept. 5 at the Fairgrounds in Salem. The Horse Show will precede Fair, Aug. 19-23. Eligible County 4-H members are invited to participate.

Pre-Registration
All members wishing to show at State Fair in Salem must pre-register by Friday, Aug. 5 (remember, this is just before summer camp). This includes all exhibitors of Home, Arts, & Science entries who receive a “Selected for State Fair” sticker at County Fair, as well as intermediates and seniors who receive a blue or better for exhibited animals, or at contests.

The State Fair Exhibitor Book is available online at the 4-H State site: http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/state-fair. We will have one hard copy at the Extension Office. Some of the State rules are different from our Jackson County rules. Exhibitors must read their section(s) carefully. Things change.

Home, Arts & Science exhibits
State Fair registration materials are distributed in member packets at County Fair exhibit-release time (July 24, after 6 pm) to eligible members when they pick up their exhibits, ribbons and score sheets. Packets will be available (from Diane Miller) Saturday (7/23) afternoon for those who don’t have exhibits to pick up Sunday.

Be sure to open your packet and complete the registration form right away. Registration forms and exhibits (with required forms) can be turned in to the Extension Office between July 25 and Aug. 5.

Delivery: Non-food exhibits must be brought to the Extension Office before 5 pm, Friday, Aug. 19. Baked goods & horticulture exhibits may be delivered on Monday morning, Aug. 22, 8:30 - 9:00 am.

Pick-up: Exhibitors must pick up their exhibits at the Extension Office after Sept. 7.

Animal exhibits—extra forms
If you are an Intermediate or a Senior 4-H member interested in showing an animal at the State Fair, contact the Extension Office immediately after County Fair. We don’t send out the information unless it is requested.

Like last year, there are additional FORMS that need to be filled out in order to show an animal at State Fair. There is a State Fair Animal Science Exhibitor Agreement that is posted on the State 4-H website under the State Fair page (under Animal Science rules) at http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/sites/default/files/Oregon_Animal_Science_Exhibitor_Agreement.pdf All participants must have a signed copy of this Exhibitor Agreement on file at the county office to participate at State Fair. Animal health forms (available in the Extension Office) must accompany all beef, sheep, swine and goats to State Fair.

Usually the members who compete at State Fair do very well. It is a great experience to see how we stack up to other competitors and to meet members from across Oregon who share similar interests.

“Exhibit Building” contest news...
Changes have been made to the 2011 State Fair Contests, due to budget constraints. A group of 4-H volunteers and 4-H staff members from several counties will coordinate the contests. The goal is to keep the contest process running as close to normal as possible, but there will be a few modifications. Foods, Presentation and Fashion Revue contests will be held ONLY on the first weekend of State Fair:

Mark your calendar now!
Aug. 26-29: Foods of the Pacific Northwest, Mini Meal and Presentations Contests. (Our own 4-H agent Anne Manlove is heading up the Foods contests.)
Aug. 26-27: Fashion Revue. There will just be one Fashion Revue this year. Note: There are new commentary guidelines for 2011.

The online scheduling system introduced last year will be used again. Selected contestants of the Presentation Contest, Foods Contests, and Fashion Revue can either have the county Extension Office set up their schedule (as in past years), or members (or their parents) can do it themselves.

Contestants will be given the information for either option in their State Fair packet, which is handed out during exhibit release in Padgham Pavilion on July 24, after 6 pm. Members who cannot pick up their packet on Sunday, July 24, can email Diane.Miller@oregonstate.edu or leave a message at 541-776-7371, ext. 229. The State Fair packets will be available July 22, in the County Fair 4-H office.

There will be a smaller window for scheduling this year, with the hopes that this will make for fewer cancellations and no shows – which has been around 50% the last few years! Contest scheduling will take place by email from Aug. 1 to Aug. 17. County staff and contestants will receive emails to confirm scheduled contest times, and schedules will be posted on the state fair contest website.

For the contests, one Champion and one Reserve Champion will be selected for Aug. 26-27. A second set of winners will be selected for Aug. 28-29.
Horse owners need to learn about the EHV-1 virus

Oregon stays on alert for Equine Herpes Virus

As of the end of May, there were only four known cases of equine herpes in Oregon, according to Horse Superintendent Kristy Artman. She had not heard of any additional cases since then, she added.

Although many horse shows have been shut down because of the recent outbreak of a new strain of EHV-1 that is potentially lethal, at this time there are no plans to suspend the horse shows at County or State Fair.

Meanwhile, horse owners need to stay alert for symptoms of the disease. This strain, a variant of the horse virus commonly known as "rhino," has been seen in several horses in Western states and was first confirmed in horses that attended an interstate competition in Utah.

EHV-1 is not transmissible to people, but it is a serious disease of horses that can cause respiratory, neurologic disease and death. The most common way for EHV-1 to spread is by direct horse-to-horse contact. The virus can also spread through the air, contaminated equipment, clothing, and hands.

Symptoms include fever, decreased coordination, nasal discharge, urine dribbling, loss of tail tone, hind limb weakness, leaning against a wall or fence to maintain balance, lethargy, and the inability to rise. While there is no cure, the symptoms of the disease may be treatable.

The State Veterinarian has a website with more information about this disease, including symptoms and confirmed cases: http://www.oregon.gov/ODA/AHID/equine_herpes_virus.shtml#EHV_1_informational_links

If your horse shows any symptoms of the disease, you are asked to contact your local veterinarian immediately.

Honors won at Spring Horse Classic competitions

Congratulations to the Jackson County horse representatives who attended the Spring Horse Classic, held April 29-May 1 in Roseburg.

Jackson County had an Intermediate Team of Kinsey Ayres, Ellie Puttman, Anna Wheeler, and Callie Mosttler took sixth place in the Intermediate Judging Team competition, ninth place in the Horse Bowl competition, and eleventh place in the Hippology competition.

Individual competitors were: Kinsey Ayres and Ellie Puttman, tied for 14th place in Individual Judging. Ellie Puttman, 13th place in Hippology.

Jackson County’s Senior representative, Shae Rogers, took fifth place in Senior Public Speaking.
Three-day statewide 4-H Horse Camp

A 3-day horse camp for 4-H members will be held **July 5-9** at the 4-H Conference and Education Center in Salem. All currently enrolled 4-H horse project members may bring their horses to camp, trail ride and enjoy nature. 4-H rules apply and all riders must wear a helmet and boots.

Come and experience four nights and five days of fun with your horse. Main meals are provided for people - bring snacks and extra drinks, if wanted. Bring all hay and grain for the horse.

People sleep in bunkhouses, campers, or tents. There’s a restroom with showers and a small kitchen. Horses have corrals under cover and outside.

**New for 2011** – an overnighter in a meadow. Everyone will pack their gear and sleep out in the woods the last night. Horses will be tied on a high-line between trees. Before camp, practice packing a bedroll behind your saddle, and be sure your horse is OK with things tied onto, and flopping around the horn and cantle area.

**What is there to do at camp?**
- Relax and enjoy hanging out with horses and new friends in a safe natural environment.
- Learn low impact camping and leave-no-trace techniques.
- Practice taking your horse’s temperature, pulse, respiration and wrapping its legs for wounds.
- Ride in the fenced arena and practice on trail course obstacles (*Bring trail obstacles if you want to work with them with an instructor’s help*).
- Ride trails in the woods around the 4-H Center.
- Help with a work-party to clear trails and do some camp maintenance.
- Tell stories and eat s’mores around the campfire.

Cost is $65 for horse and camper (This is only half of the total cost. The balance is covered by a financial scholarship).

Applications accepted until **June 25**, or the camp is full (up to 23 youth).

Questions? Call Josephine County 4-H Agent Chris Names at 541-476-6613 or email him at: chris.names@oregonstate.edu

Check the Josephine County website for the latest 4-H newsletter with details and application: http://extension.oregonstate.edu/josephine/4h-news

Information packets (with lists of what to bring, application form, and directions/map to camp site) are also available in the Jackson County Extension Office.

Spring Fair Meat Animal Judging results announced

Congratulations to the 4-H members who earned the top spots at the Spring Fair Meat Animal Judging Contest.

Listed in order, from highest to 10th place, the contestants are as follows:

**Juniors**—David Gladman, Wynn Nevin, Macen Keller, Camiren Torrey, Maddie Cox, Angelica Malone, Alexi Lehman.


**Seniors**—Devin Serr, Kayla Torrey, Morgan Thompson, Kaylee Bowen, Shelbie Zelnar.

**Clubs**—Judging Co., Tall Timbers, Antelope Beef, Riverview.

Top ranking 4-H livestock judging contestants revealed

Scores have been tallied for the last three Livestock Judging Contests and participating 4-H members were ranked based upon their best percentage of points at two of the three contests. Those contests were held at last year’s County Fair, this year’s Animal Affair and Spring Fair. Invitations for the county teams will be presented to the top individuals in both the senior and intermediate age levels.

The top scorers of the 2010-11 Meat Animal Judging Contests are listed in order, from highest to 10th place, as follows:

**JUNIORS**: Wynn Nevin, Camiren Torrey, Madison Cox, David Gladman, McKuenzie McCormick, Mikayla Moss, Thomas Cox, Brandon Tolner, Brandt Downing, Ryan Tolner.

**INTERMEDIATES**: Jessica Juvinall, Claire

See TOP RANKING, continued on p. 14
Senior 4-H member Nick Morales will be leaving June 16 to join others in a four-week exchange program in Mongolia. The program, offered by the University of Wyoming, recruited 30 youths from the 13 states of the Western Region.

The first week they arrive, members of the group will be acclimatizing to the new culture, foods, and language. Each participant will be doing a home stay for two weeks with Mongolian 4-H families. Then the group will tour the Mongolian countryside for the final week, including visiting a castle of Genghis Khans, and celebrating a major Mongolian holiday called Nadaam.

During their visit the group will study land reclamation, watershed shed conservation, renewable energy and look for similarities between the current situations in the Western US and Mongolia.

The trip is being sponsored by the Fulbright Scholar program, the US State Department and the University of Wyoming. Grant funding has been provided through the US State Department. The youths were selected after a very competitive application process. They were selected for their academic achievements, extra curricular activities, community service and interview skills.

This is his first time to travel internationally, Nick says. “I think it is going to be a wonderful opportunity to be able to go to Mongolia to experience (its) sights and the sounds. I’m excited (getting the opportunity) to learn about another culture,” he says. Nick adds that in doing so, “we can not only enrich ourselves by becoming more international but we can be better communicators in the future. If you have an understanding of how other cultures operate at a younger age, you will be more effective at communicating with other individuals in the future.”

Nick traveled to Wyoming over the weekend of May 19 to meet the other participants and chaperones and get a thorough orientation about the trip.

After he returns from Mongolia, Nick plans on holding a presentation event so he can share his trip experience with all who may be interested.

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4-H members make news . . .

**Nick Morales selected for exchange trip to Mongolia**

Senior 4-H member Nick Morales will be leaving June 16 to join others in a four-week exchange program in Mongolia. The program, offered by the University of Wyoming, recruited 30 youths from the 13 states of the Western Region.

The first week they arrive, members of the group will be acclimatizing to the new culture, foods, and language. Each participant will be doing a home stay for two weeks with Mongolian 4-H families. Then the group will tour the Mongolian countryside for the final week, including visiting a castle of Genghis Khans, and celebrating a major Mongolian holiday called Nadaam.

During their visit the group will study land reclamation, watershed shed conservation, renewable energy and look for similarities between the current situations in the Western US and Mongolia.

The trip is being sponsored by the Fulbright Scholar program, the US State Department and the University of Wyoming. Grant funding has been provided through the US State Department. The youths were selected after a very competitive application process. They were selected for their academic achievements, extra curricular activities, community service and interview skills.

This is his first time to travel internationally, Nick says. “I think it is going to be a wonderful opportunity to be able to go to Mongolia to experience (its) sights and the sounds. I’m excited (getting the opportunity) to learn about another culture,” he says. Nick adds that in doing so, “we can not only enrich ourselves by becoming more international but we can be better communicators in the future. If you have an understanding of how other cultures operate at a younger age, you will be more effective at communicating with other individuals in the future."

Nick traveled to Wyoming over the weekend of May 19 to meet the other participants and chaperones and get a thorough orientation about the trip.

After he returns from Mongolia, Nick plans on holding a presentation event so he can share his trip experience with all who may be interested.

**Jacquelyn Brown represents Oregon at National Conference**

During this past April, Jacquelyn Brown and one other 4-H member from Oregon represented the state at the National 4-H Conference in Washington D.C. This week-long trip included sightseeing in the nation’s capitol, meeting 4-H members from all over the world, and learning leadership skills. Members worked in groups to discuss pressing issues concerning today’s youth. They then presented their findings to official government agencies, including the Food and Drug Administration and the Department of Education. Key note speakers included the Secretary of Education and the Secretary of Agriculture. It was a fun and educational trip.

**Shae Rogers selected as a National 4-H Congress finalist**

As one of 18 applicants from around the state to be selected as finalists for National 4-H Congress, Shae Rogers will be interviewed on June 24 during Summer Conference Winners will be announced on June 25.
Summer activities in progress . . .

Two new camps available this summer

These programs are presented by the 4-H Jackson County Outreach Program in partnership with Klamath Outdoor Science School. To register for these camps, contact 4-H Outreach Program coordinator Alex Steiner at 541-776-7371, ext. 216, Alexandra.steiner@oregonstate.edu Scholarships available! Se habla espanol.

Nature Science Investigator (NSI) Camp
June 27-30, for ages: 11-13

Camp for four days at Klamath Outdoor Science School located near Fort Klamath across from Kimball State Park. Students will be camping in yurts.

In this program, the NSI will work in teams to answer their own questions about nature, unlock the secrets that have yet to be told. Evening campfires, night hikes, teambuilding activities, photography and lots more.

Registration cost is $195 per person.

Outdoor Explorer-Day Camp
July 11-14, for kids entering 5th, 6th, 7th grades

There will be daily field trips to locations such as Mount Ashland, the Applegate, Tou Velle Park, etc. Campers will be exploring the different ecosystems of Jackson County, and have hands-on fun as we document our daily explorations with digital media (photography, video and audio recording).

Participants should prepare to “get dirty” as we explore local forests, hiking trails, streams and rivers.

Registration cost is $75 per person.

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creased also. This year we will offer an “early bird” special of $140 per person if paid by Thursday, July 7. Payments/applications received after that date will go up to $150 per person. A few scholarships will be available.

Additional information and applications will be available online by June 13.

Photos needed for year-end activities

Photographs of local 4-H events, meetings, etc. are needed for our 4-H annual slide show and calendar in the fall.

We will need donated photographs from our camera-carrying members and leaders. The slide show is shown each November at Members’ Recognition Night. Some photos will also be needed for the 14-month calendars that are printed each October for members and leaders.

If you have, or will be taking photos of any 4-H events during the year, please consider sending them to us. Bring photos (regular prints, or digital form on CD) to the Extension Office, attention: Diane Miller.

Scholarships needed for 4-H activities

Help support our youths’ so they can attend 4-H special activities!

Each year we have members traveling to Gold Beach for 4-H Camps, Corvallis for OSU Summer Conference, and other events around the country. The actual cost of many of these experiences make it difficult or impossible for some members to attend. So, each year (usually in the spring), we solicit scholarships from organizations and individuals to support summer activities.

Scholarships don't have to come from outside organizations. Clubs and individuals within our organizations can help. Consider sending a donation to the Summer Activities Fund. Donations can be in any amount! Make checks payable to 4-H Leaders Association and send to Extension Office.

County registration for Summer Conference now up to 23

Twenty 4-H members and three chaperones have registered to attend Summer Conference at Oregon State University, June 22-25, this year. Early-Bird deadline was May 28; final deadline with county and state late fees applied, is June 10.

Registrations were received from Steen Rasmussen, Lillian & Foster Thomas, Josh Jones, Elizabeth Davern, Theannah Hannon (non-4-H member), Lexi Kaiser, Rachel Cox, Kristen & Megan Hanson, Shae Rogers, Eli Geroux, Joe Pickett, Ashley Heeter, Evan Wright, Tonalli & Ameyatzin Rojas, Blaine Cloney, Shoshawna Hoeptner, and Hailey Ordal. Genivieve Rasmussen, Patty Bunch, and Kathie Ordal will be chaperones.

Again this year, bus transportation will be provided from throughout the state.

Summer Conference is a statewide 4-H program for 7th-12th graders. Participants will get to know members from across the state of Oregon during scheduled classes and fun activities, take tours of the OSU campus and live in a college dorm.
General Information

State Mail-In Archery Tournament Results

January NFAA Indoor Round

Bare Bow – Without sight or other attachment.

Class 1: Grace Monroe, 1st; James Noble, 4th; Joshua Crawford, 10th; Other competitors: Colby Anderson, Jacob Smith, Shelly Queen, Logan Callaway.

Class 2: Joshua Boyd, 3rd; Riley Wanamaker, 6th.

Class 4: Garrick Duttenhoefer, 1st; Zach Stribbling, 2nd; Emry Timmons, 4th; Other Competitor: Andrea Rios.

Class 5: Keenan Skudlarek, 1st; Jacob Armas, 2nd; Tyler Wanamaker, 4th.

Class 6: Mark Ronda, 5th; Emily Smith, 6th; Anna Ronda, 8th.

Class 7: Conner Skudlarek, 1st; Murphy Altunel, 4th; Michael Hambleton, 5th.

Freestyle – May use a sight.

Class 9: Cass Helgen, 1st; Cass Helgen, 2nd; Other competitor: Rachel Cox.

Freestyle using a Release

Class 11: Justin McKechnie, 1st; Other competitors: Tyler Crowe, David Gladman, Troy Altunel.

Class 12: Hunter Williams, 1st; Brenna Blankenship, 4th; Colton Duval, 8th; Gabrielle Redhead, 9th; Other Competitors: Blaine Cloney, Bryce Thornton, Wesley Duval, Alec Thornton, Tanner Brotherton, Taylor Mashore.

Class 5: Keenan Skudlarek, 2nd; Jacob Armas, 4th; Tyler Wanamaker, 5th.

Class 6: Competitors: Anna Ronda, Mark Ronda, Emily Smith.

Class 7: Conner Skudlarek, 4th; Other competitors: Murphy Altunel, Michael Hambleton.

February NFAA Field Round

Bare Bow – Without sight or other attachment.

Class 1: Grace Monroe, 2nd; Other competitors: Joshua Crawford, Jacob Smith, Logan Callaway, Shelly Queen, James Noble, Colby Anderson.

Class 2: Competitor: Troy Altunel.

Class 3: Competitors: Riley Wanamaker, Joshua Boyd.

Class 4: Garrick Duttenhoefer, 1st; Emry Timmons, 4th; Other competitors: Andrea Rios, Zach Stribbling.

Class 5: Jacob Armas, 3rd; Keenan Skudlarek, 4th Tyler Wanamaker.

Class 6: Emily Smith, 7th; Mark Ronda, 8th; Anna Ronda, 10th.

Class 7: Michael Hambleton, 2nd; Connor Skurlarek, 3rd; Other competitor: Murphy Altunel.

Freestyle – May use a sight.

Class 9: Cass Helgen, 4th; Hanna Roseen, 5th; Other competitor: Rachel Cox.

Freestyle using a Release

Class 11: Justin McKechnie, 2nd, Other competitors: Taylor Crowe, David Gladman, Troy Altunel.

Class 12: Hunter Williams, 2nd; Brenna Blankenship, 9th; Other competitors: Bryce Thornton, Kristen Gordon, Colton Duval, Blaine Cloney, Wesley Duval, Haylee Crowe, Tanner Brotherton, Taylor Mashore.


March Animal Round

Bare Bow – Without sight or other attachment.

Class 1: Grace Monroe, 1st; Colby Anderson, 8th (tie); James Noble, 9th; Other competitors: Joshua Crawford, Jacob Smith, Shelly Queen, Logan Callaway.

Class 2: Competitors: Joshua Boyd, Riley Wanamaker.

Class 4: Garrick Duttenhoefer, 1st; Emry Timmons, 3rd (tie); Other Competitors: Andrea Rios, Zach Stribbling.

Class 5: Keenan Skudlarek, 2nd; Jacob Armas, 4th; Tyler Wanamaker, 5th.

Class 6: Competitors: Murphy Altunel, Michael Hambleton.

Class 7: Conner Skudlarek, 4th; Other competitors: Murphy Altunel, Michael Hambleton.

Freestyle – May use a sight.

Class 9: Cass Helgen, 5th; Other competitors: Hanna Roseen, Rachel Cox.

Freestyle using a Release

Class 11: Justin McKechnie, 1st; Other competitors: Tyler Crowe, David Gladman, Troy Altunel.

Class 12: Hunter Williams & Brenna Blankenship

1st (tie); Blaine Cloney, 3rd (tie); Other competitors: Bryce Thornton, Haylee Crowe, Alec Thornton, Gabrielle Redhead, Kristen Gordon, Colton Duval, Wesley Duval, Tanner Brotherton, Taylor Mashore.


April Freeman Round

Bare Bow – Without sight or other attachment.

Class 1: Grace Monroe, 1st; Colby Anderson, 8th; Other competitors: James Noble, Joshua Crawford, Logan Callaway, Jacob Smith, Shelly Queen,

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Class 3: Riley Wanamaker, 9th; Other competitor: Joshua Boyd.
Class 4: Garrik Duttenhoefer, 1st; Emry Timmons, 4th; Andrea Rios, 9th; Other competitor: Zach Stribbling.
Class 5: Keenan Skudlarek, 2nd; Tyler Wanamaker, 3rd; Other competitor: Jacob Armas.
Class 6: Emily Smith, 8th; Other competitors: Anna Ronda, Mark Ronda.
Class 7: Connor Skudlarek, 2nd; Murphy Altunel, 3rd; Michael Hambleton, 5th.
Freestyle – May use a sight.
Class 9: Hanna Roseen, 4th; Cass Helgen, 10th; Other competitor: Rachel Cox.
Freestyle using a Release
Class 11: Justin McKechine, 2nd; Other competitors: David Gladman, Troy Altunel, Tyler Crowe.
Class 12: Brenna Blankenship 9th; Other competitors: Bryce Thornton, Gabrielle Redhead, Blaine Cloney.


MOST IMPROVED – Those who made the top 10 of their class (grade level) for 2010-2011

Bare Bow – Without sight or other attachment.
Class 1: Colby Anderson, 3rd; Joshua Crawford, 5th.
Class 2: Riley Wanamaker, 2nd.
Class 4: Garrik Duttenhoefer, 1st; Emry Timmons, 3rd.
Class 5: Keenan Skudlarek, 2nd.
Class 11: David Gladman, 3rd.
Class 12: Bryce Thornton 3rd; Wesley Duval, 6th; Gabrielle Redhead, 8th.

Recent events in photos . . .

Leaders’ Association has successful dinner & auction fundraiser at winery

Over 120 tickets were sold for the May 14 event, and many great items were auctioned off — including JD DeVette’s 9-month-old beard.

Annual New-Member Orientation held for families new to 4-H

On May 4, new member families chatted with “old” members and leaders among educational posters of county activities. Dinner was enjoyed and guests learned information about the 4-H program and their projects of interest.
2011 Foods Contest results announced

The 2011 Jackson County 4-H Foods Contest was held March 5-6 at the new South Medford High School. Fourth through 11th grade members prepared 24 food entries over the two-day period. Winners were recognized at an awards ceremony on March 12. Those participating in the contests were:

Food Preparation - Foods of Pacific Northwest
First-Yr. Junior – CH: Victoria Richardson (Walnut Brownies); RCH: Kaitlyn McCuen (Sugar Cookies); Red: Maddie Fung (Zucchini Tomato Scramble).
Junior – Blue: Gabby Anderson (Red, White, & Blackberry Shortcake).
Intermediate – CH: Selina Harper (Blueberry RolyPoly with Lemon Sauce); Red: Taelor Thompson (Coconut Chicken); Kate Gilworth (Chinese Dumplings); Abigail Puttman (Cream Scones with Berry Compote).
Senior – CH: Jacquelyn Brown (Bunuelos); Blue: Arielle Bitterling (Cinnamon Cranberry Poached Pear).

Mini-Meal
First-Yr. Junior – CH: Angelica Malone (Fruit Salad with Lemon Raspberry Cake); RCH: Elyse Crowl (Tortilla Stacks and Guacamole); Blue: Hannah Brockbank (Carne Asada Tacos with Crispas); Abbi Kimmel (Omelette Roll with Peach, Strawberry Smoothie); Red: Marissa Amsbury (Gingerale Can Chicken with Garlic Mash); Britteny Burkett (Deer Stew with Cornbread).
Junior – CH: Emily Kimmel (Broccoli Cheese Chowder with Salad); RCH: Kaitlyn Hughes (Teriyaki Chicken with Rice & Steamed Carrots); Red: Samantha Thompson (Fajita, Guacamole & Salsa).
Intermediate – RCH: Fiona Nevin (Filet Mignon with Red Velvet Cake); Blue: Joshua Case (Balti Lamb Tikka with Rice); Shoshawna Hoeptner (Chicken Fettucini Alfredo with Salad); Red: Rachel Cox (Chicken Gorgonzola with Rice).
Senior – CH: Nick Morales (Chorizo Burger with Pinata Salad); RCH: Jacquelyn Brown (Chicken Chow Main with Fortune Cookie).

State Fair Selections
Selected to represent Jackson County at the State Fair are all Intermediate and Senior Champions, Reserve Champions, and Blue ribbon winners of both Food Preparation and Mini Meal entries.

Poster Contest
Winners of the county Poster Contest are: Nick Morales, Joshua Case and Emily Kimmel.

Food Judging Contest
Introductory – CH, Marissa Amesbury; RCH, Abbi Kimmel; 3rd, Victoria Richardson; 4th, Brittney Burkett; 6th, Kaitlyn McCuen; 7th, Clayre Shaffer; 8th, Maddie Fung.
Level 2-3 – CH, Wynn Nevin; RCH, Samantha Thompson; 3rd, Gabby Anderson; 4th, Emily Kimmel; 5th, Kaitlyn Hughes.
Level 4-6 – CH, Ellie Puttman; RCH, Taelor Thompson; 3rd, Fiona Nevin; 4th, Elizabeth Richardson; 6th, Selina Harper; 7th, Eric Wallan; 8th, Abby Puttman; 9th, Alex Bitterling; 10th, Lauryn Beauchamp.

4-H alumnae has activewear fabric for sewing projects
Looking for a source of unique stretch fabrics for activewear? Talla Mitchell, former Jackson County 4-H member, has a business which specializes in unusual fabrics which might be used for equestrian, dancing or skating attire. Go to her website: www.designeralleyfabrics.com to see what is available. 4-H sewing members might be interested in remnants for projects.
Presentation results announced for 2011

A total of 26 presentations were given at this year’s Presentation Contest on April 1. Participants have been asked to perform their speeches again on Thursday in Padgham Pavilion during the County Fair. The contestants placed as follows (SF=selected for State Fair):

Junior Demonstration: Blue, **Angelica Malone**.
Junior Illustrated Talk: CH, **Samantha Shelton**; RCH, **Wynn Nevin**; Blue, **Sydney Gray**; Hannah Brockbank.
Intermediate Illustrated Talk: CH, SF, **Fiona Nevin**; RCH, SF, **Tanner Brotherton**; Blue, **Chanara Malone**; Isaac Brockbank; Ellie Puttman; Red, **Kelli Gray**; Mariah Mills.
Senior Illustrated Talk: CH, **Jade Krische**; RCH, **Madison Gierloff**.
Junior Public Speech: Blue, **Ellie Gardiner**.
Senior Public Speech: CH, SF, **Shae Rogers**; RCH, SF, **Kayla Artman**; Blue, **Chelsi Howe**.
Intermediate Impromptu: CH, SF, **Ellie Puttman**; RCH, SF, **Claire Gladman**; Blue, **Logan Krische**; Red, **Sandi Shelton**; Sara Shelton.
Senior Impromptu: Purple, SF, **Jade Krische**; Red, **Chelsi Howe**; Elzypet McKenna-Trahan.

Congratulations to the winners, and a big thank you to all contestants for participating in this contest. Awards will be presented at the end of County Fair.

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**Calendar**

**June**

11    Dog Showtime Fun Match, 9 am registration, Extension Auditorium
15    Animal Science Leader meetings, Extension Auditorium, 7 pm
18    Archery Contest for County Fair, 8 am
22-25 Summer Conference at OSU
25    Deadline for applications to 4-H Horse Camp in Salem
26    Shotgun Contest, 10 am, Jackson Co. Sports Park Shooting Range, Corey Road, W.C.
28    Registration Day for County Fair, Noon-7 pm in Extension Auditorium
28    Registration for horse entries, 4-7 pm

**July**

5     Interview judging for Videography exhibits, Time – TBA
5     Art & Photo mounting workshop, 4-7 pm, Extension Classroom
8     Entry deadline for Creative Writing, 5 pm, Extension Office
9     Fashion Revue, Extension Auditorium
10    Rifle Contest, J.C. Sports Park Shooting Range, 11 am
15-16 4-H Dog Show, Olsrud Arena, fairgrounds
16    Fair entry day for static exhibits, 10 am-5 pm, Padgham Pavilion
17    Horse Judging Contest, 8 am, Isola Arena
18    Fair entry day for swine, market poultry
19-24 County Fair open to public, Expo fairgrounds

**August**

3     Executive Board meeting, Extension Auditorium, 7 pm
5     State Fair Registration Forms due in Extension Office, 5 pm
8-12 Lobster Creek Camp for 4-7th graders
14-18 Lobster Creek Camp for 7-12th graders
19    State Fair entries due, Extension Office, 5 pm
19-23 State Fair Horse Show, Salem
22    State Fair food & horticulture entries delivered, Ext. Office, 8-9 am
26-Sep. 5 State Fair opens in Salem; Foods/Presentation/Fashion Revue Contests start

**September**

7     State Fair entries return to Extension Office
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