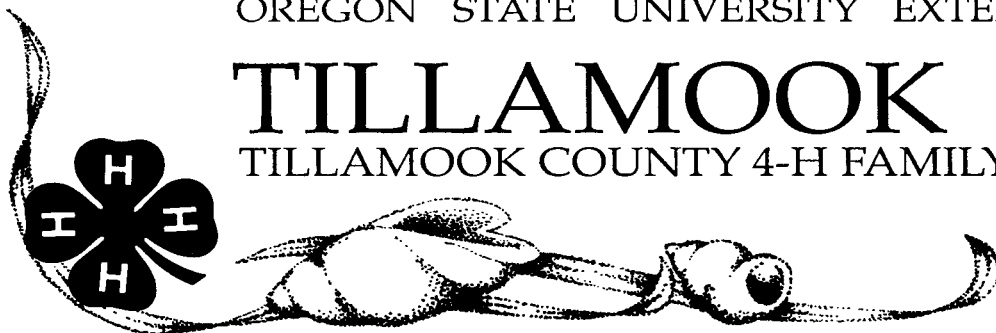


TILLAMOOK TIDES

TILLAMOOK COUNTY 4-H FAMILY NEWSLETTER



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January/February 2011

General Information

4-H Enrollment Deadline

January
28
Deadline

When & why do I need to enroll in 4-H?

- ◆ Returning 4-H members must **re-enroll by January 28, 2011** to remain on our mailing list, receive e-mail communications & receive the 4-H Tides Newsletter.
- ◆ People must be enrolled in 4-H to receive scholarships and/or discounted prices for 4-H day camps, after school programs and other special programs.
- ◆ All 4-H club and independent members must be enrolled by June 1 to be eligible to participate in the Tillamook County Fair.
- ◆ 4-H members and leaders are not covered by 4-H accident insurance until they re-enroll.
- ◆ 4-H leaders should not meet with 4-H members until they re-enroll because their liability coverage lapsed and will be reinstated upon re-enrollment.

What does it cost to join 4-H?

- ◆ Enrollment, if paid by January 28, is \$17 (\$15 mandatory state enrollment fee, and \$2 for 4-H accident insurance).
- ◆ Enrollment after January 28 is \$22 (\$20 state fee, and \$2 accident insurance).
- ◆ People may apply to the Tillamook County 4-H Leaders Association for need-based scholarships to cover part of the enrollment fee of \$17. In addition some 4-H clubs do club fund raising to pay for their members' enrollment fees.

Where can you enroll in 4-H?

- ◆ Forms and payment must be submitted to the OSU Extension Office, 2204 Fourth Street, Tillamook, OR 97141. 2010-2011 4-H enrollment forms are available at the OSU Extension Office, 2204 Fourth Street in Tillamook and on our website: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/tillamook/4h>
- ◆ You may call the OSU Extension Office for more information, 503-842-3433.

What about Day Camp & After-School Program Participation?

- ◆ Youth whose only 4-H experience is a summer day camp or after-school program can enroll in these programs throughout the spring and summer and are eligible to exhibit projects completed during these programs in the fair.



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Tillamook 4-H is now On Facebook



Tillamook 4-H is now on Facebook. Search for Tillamook County 4-H Oregon, or follow this link: <http://on.fb.me/hXEcib> . We post regular tidbits and photos of 4-H goings-on. See photos of 4-H events going back to County Fair 2006. Go take a look. We hope you enjoy! Be sure to click the “Like” button while there!



4-H Info at Your Fingertips - Use Our Website

Our goal is to provide the latest information, save you time, and even save you a trip to our office. Information includes the annual calendar, newsletters, enrollment forms, fair information, new leader and member information, events and opportunities, and record book information. We welcome feedback on our site and suggestions for improvements. Our address: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/tillamook>.



Electronic 4-H Records Available

4-H 033R *My Permanent Record* and selected other 4-H project records are posted on the state website. Many records are Microsoft Word files so members can save them on their own computer, fill in their information via computer and print out the record. Check out the 4-H records under “General Member Resources” and the “Specific Project Area” at <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/catalog/4h/>



Option to Receive Newsletters by E-mail



On the enrollment form each member and leader is asked whether they want to receive 4-H newsletters by e-mail OR regular mail. Our e-mail list has been very successful – it saves money and is more convenient for many families. If you choose the e-mail option, you receive notification when the 4-H newsletter is posted to the web. If you give us your e-mail address, but didn’t check the “e-mail only” option, you will get both the e-mail and mailed copy of the newsletter.

Throughout the year, we occasionally have announcements to share that come after our newsletter deadline. In these cases, we may send an e-mail announcement only. Just like your other contact information, **it is your responsibility to keep us up-to-date on your current e-mail address.** As always, our 4-H policy is that we do not release your contact information outside of the organization.



Budget Implications for Tillamook County 4-H Program



Image courtesy of Skip Murphy

As many of you know, the OSU Extension Service in Tillamook is funded through county service district funds, state general funds, federal funds & various grants. Current 4-H program staff include: Joy Jones (full time-4-H, master gardeners and general agriculture); Nancy Kershaw (30 hr/week-4-H and Family & Community Health) and Tanya Wehage (19 hr/week). Secretarial staff include Sherry Vick (4-H & Family & Community Health) and Pat Penney (Master Gardeners & 4-H).

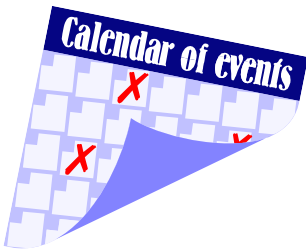
As a result of state budget reductions, staff will be on unpaid furlough days during the rest of the current biennium, so the OSU Extension Service in Tillamook will be closed as a result, on the following dates:

- Friday January 14, 2011
- Monday February 21, 2011
- Friday March 18, 2011
- Friday May 20, 2011

Additional cuts will most likely be made as the legislature develops the state budget for the next biennium.



4-H Calendar



The 2011 Tillamook County 4-H calendar listing 4-H events for the year is now available at the OSU Extension Service. Please come by and pick up your copy or check it out on the web at <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/tillamook/>.

Posting this calendar in a prominent place will help you remember the upcoming dates. You may want to fill in the times and places of the events as they are set. Remember some dates and information will change as events draw closer, so check the 4-H newsletter or our website for the most current information.



4-H Member and Leader Cards Available

4-H membership cards for both youth and leaders are available from the OSU Extension Service in Tillamook. Some businesses offer 4-H discounts when members or leaders present a 4-H membership card.



Are There Other Project Areas in 4-H That I Don't Know About?

YES! Not every project area is organized into a club. Project materials are available for about 50 projects including woodworking, entomology, forestry, electricity, photography, and more. If there is not a club available for your project interest, you have two options. 1) You may know of someone willing to be a leader—have them contact the OSU Extension Service, or 2) you can enroll as an independent project member for a specific project.



Pick up Youth On Time



It is important for parents to bring children and pick them up on time for 4-H meetings and events. Please double check with the person in charge what time the event will end. 4-H volunteer leaders and staff have busy schedules as does everyone.



Donations and Awards

Make a Matching Donation to 4-H and Double Your Generosity

If you plan to make a monetary donation to the OSU Extension Service or 4-H programs, you may want to check with your employer to see if they'll match your contribution. Many companies do. Check this OSU website to see if your company is listed: www.matchinggifts.com/osufoundation/. If you want your donation to go to a specific program you'll need to indicate that with your donation.



Your Donations to 4-H Assist Youth

The Tillamook County 4-H Leader's Association is currently raising funds to support the 4-H program in Tillamook. Donations are requested to help fund county wide activities and educational events; for scholarships to camp, summer conference and other 4-H events; for 4-H fair awards; and to support specific 4-H project areas.



All donations are tax-deductible. Enclosed with this newsletter is a form that details the specific needs identified by the Tillamook County 4-H program. Your generous donation will stay in Tillamook County and strengthen the 4-H program in Tillamook County. If you would like to make a donation, please return the enclosed form (see last page) with your donation to the OSU Extension Service.



4-H Award Proposals Invited



Awards can be a way of encouraging participation in a project or to recognize achievements and accomplishments. Tillamook 4-H awards are reviewed and approved by the 4-H staff in cooperation with the Tillamook Co. 4-H Leaders Association. The purpose of County Fair Awards is to recognize outstanding participation. Awards where participation in the class or contest is low may not be approved.

Blue ribbons are required for most County Fair awards because these awards recognize outstanding achievements. Showmanship and awards that recognize the 4-H members' effort take precedence over breed specific awards because 4-H is about developing youth and not promoting specific breeds. **Written proposals for new county fair awards or any other applicable awards need to be turned in to the OSU Extension Service by 5:00 p.m. January 18th.** Only approved awards will be listed in the Tillamook County Fair premium book to be awarded at County Fair.

If you are interested in sponsoring an award at the County Fair, please contact the OSU Extension Service 503-842-3433 with your interest. Sponsors are currently needed for the following awards:

- ◆ High Scoring Senior Foods Exhibitor Trophy (\$20 cost)
- ◆ Intermediate Dairy Goat Showmanship Medallion (\$15 cost)
- ◆ Senior Rabbit Showmanship Medallion (\$15 cost)
- ◆ Best of Show—Pigeon Trophy (\$20 cost)



Upcoming Programs and Events

Closure Policy



Wondering if an OSU Extension program will be held during inclement weather? The OSU Extension Service 4-H program will follow the Tillamook School District 9 closure policy for 4-H programs held in central county or the appropriate school district for north and south county 4-H programs.



4-H Super Saturday



Super Saturday will be **March 5** at Tillamook Junior High School at 9 am, with registration beginning at 8:30 am. Classes end at noon. There will be three sessions, each with different classes and something for everyone, including leaders & parents. Cloverbuds must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Mark your calendars and plan on being there. Flyers with complete information will be mailed in February.



Trail Blazers Basketball 4-H Night



The Portland Trail Blazers are pleased to offer 4-H members, their friends and families the opportunity to come to the Rose Garden to see them play the San Antonio Spurs, **March 25**, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.. Tickets cost \$32 each. Registration forms are available at the OSU Extension Service in Tillamook county. Or you may printout the forms from online at <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/portland-trailblazers-4h-night> . The ticket order deadline is **March 4**, 2011.

Teens wishing to go to the game and sit as a group need to have money to Tanya Wehage by **March 3rd**. A minimum of 5 teens are needed to go as a group. Of course, you are welcome to attend as a family or individual on your own.



CPR/First Aid Training for Babysitters



Youth who are in 5th grade or higher and who have completed Beginning Babysitter Training previously are eligible to register for First Aid/CPR for Babysitters. The class will be held **Januray 17**, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at the OSU Extension Service. Cost is \$25 for 4-H members (\$40 for youth not currently enrolled in 4-H). Successful participants receive American Heart Association First Aid/CPR cards.

Pre-registration is required. Class is limited to the first 10 participants who have registered and paid the registration fee. Contact the OSU Extension Service for more information or to pre-register.



Host an International Student This Summer



Is your family looking to learn more about other countries, then consider hosting a 4-H exchange student for a month this summer from Japan, Norway, or possibly Costa Rica. Complete details are on the 4-H website at: <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/4h-world-citizenship-project-international-exchange-programs>. Look in the section titled Inbound Ambassador Program Hosting Opportunities. Interested host families need to have all of the application materials completed and sent to the State 4-H Office by **February 15**, 2011. Contact Nancy at the OSU Extension Service, 503-842-3433, for more information.



4-H Shooting Sports Club Looking for Members



The Tillamook Air Rifle 4-H club is open to new members, 4th grade and up. Club meetings will be held on the 2nd Saturday monthly, with the first meeting on **January 8**, 9:00 a.m. at the Netarts Water District Building, 4970 Crab Avenue in Netarts. The primary discipline will be air rifle and 4-H programs emphasize shooting safety. For more information contact one of the leaders—Steven Kershaw (stevendit@oregoncoast.com, 503-801-4875) and Steve Fladstol, who have completed the mandatory state 4-H shooting sports leader training. Interested youth should complete a 4-H enrollment through the OSU Extension Office in Tillamook to participate in the club.



4-H Sport Fishing Club Getting Started



The Tillamook 4-H Sport Fishing Club is hosting an organizational meeting on **January 13**, 2011 from 5:30 –6:30 p.m. at the OSU Extension Service Meeting Room at 2204 Fourth Street in Tillamook. The club is for youth in the 4th grade and up. Club leader John Putman will be sharing his knowledge of sport fishing. Interested youth should complete a 4-H enrollment through the OSU Extension Office in Tillamook to participate in the club.



North County 4-H Sewing Club Starting



Following the retirement of Doris Bash, leader of the Just Sew 4-H club, Cynthia LeBrun and Karen Lorenz are exploring the possibility of starting a 4-H sewing club in north county. They would like to work with youth (4th grade and up) that are eager to learn – serious sew & sews. Please contact Cynthia LeBrun, 503-368-7233, cynthia.lebrun@mac.com or Karen Lorenz, 503-368-4420, karen_lorenz@live.com for more information.



OMSI Spring Break Science Program

4-H members in grades 4 through 6 should mark their calendar and plan to attend one or both of the OMSI/4-H science programs that will be held **March 24** (during spring break). Complete details to be announced at a later date. Here's a brief description of the programs.

Crime Lab

So many clues, so little time! Put your science skills to the test in this exciting, interactive forensics class. As you piece together the evidence of a crime scene, you will see firsthand how fingerprints, footprints, and fibers can help catch a criminal. Class includes DNA extraction and individual dusting and lifting of fingerprints.



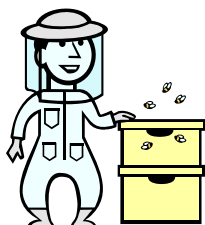
Animal Innards

If you have the guts, so do we--squid guts that is, and plenty of 'em! Young biologists use proper dissection techniques to explore the insides of a squid and discover firsthand where the beak and ink sac are. This class features the dissection of a shark by the instructor.



4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest

The 4-H Beekeeping Essay is a great opportunity for 4-H members to research and write about honey bees. Cash prizes of \$750, \$500 and \$250 will be awarded to the three top National winners.



The essay theme for 2011 is "U.S. Honey: A Taste for Every Preference" Contest details are located at <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/4h-beekeeping-essay-contest>

4-H members can also use the information they gather to make an educational display for the fair. Essay contestants are not required to be enrolled in a 4-H beekeeping project. Essays are due in the State 4-H office by **February 1, 2011**.



Side By Side Family Nutrition & Cooking Classes Offered

Kids in grades 4 and up and a parent or other responsible adult are invited to participate in a cooking and nutrition program at Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School in February and March. The program is for kids to work with their parent/guardian cooking in the kitchen and eating dinner around the table to learn about healthy eating.



The series consists of six, 2-hour lessons, offered once a week for six weeks. There is no charge for the program, but pre-registration is required and participation is limited to 10 families. The program will be led by Susie Johnson, OSU Extension Family Nutrition Program Assistant and is offered in cooperation with Neah-Kah-Nie School District. Guest Chef is Cristal Graves, graduate of Neah-kah-nie High School and Western Culinary Institute.

Pre-registration is required by **February 1**. Contact Susie at the OSU Extension Office, 503-842-5708, ext. 215 or susie.johnson@oregonstate.edu to pre-register.



Community Service Opportunities

February is 4-H Food Drive Month



4-H clubs and individual members are encouraged to plan a food drive or raise money to benefit the Tillamook County Regional Food Bank or their local food bank during the months of January & February. The OSU Extension Service in Tillamook is participating in the Oregon State Employees Food Drive during February.

Clubs can participate by collecting packaged foods or money for donation to the food bank. Clubs can bring their donations of food or money to the OSU Extension Service any time during the months of January and February. If you prefer to donate food locally (north or south), please get a receipt from your local food bank that gives the pounds of food or amount of money donated and bring that to the OSU Extension Service in Tillamook so that we can get an accurate tally of donations.



We've Got Shoes, How About You?



The 4-H "Kids Helping Kids" Project provided 35 shoe vouchers (\$25 each - these vouchers are redeemable for children's shoes at Fred Meyer) that were placed in Holiday Baskets and distributed around Tillamook County for Christmas 2010. 4-H clothing members also sewed approximately 100 polar fleece hats for the Tillamook County Head Start programs in Beaver, Tillamook and Nehalem. Way to go!!!

The 4H Leader's Association is challenging 4-H clubs to begin raising funds for the 2011 year. We are asking each Club to commit to earning enough money to fund two shoe vouchers (total \$50) to be placed in Christmas baskets for 2011. SO, start now ... turn in your funds in October at the Annual 4H Recognition Dinner and the Club with the most shoe vouchers will receive special recognition and ????. Start your engines ... ready, set, go!!!



Donations Needed for Homeless Event

The upcoming Homeless Connect is January 27th in conjunction with the annual homeless count. Commission staff is collecting items to distribute at the event. Needed items are: tarps, tents, sleeping bags, outerwear, clothing (men and women's), new socks, underwear, hats & gloves, pet food and pet accessories, and hygiene items. If you have any that you would like to donate, it is tax deductible through CARE.

Donations of items can be dropped off at the Tillamook Commission on Children and Families office in the NW Regional ESD building, 2410 5th St, across from the Catholic Church in Tillamook. Commission staff will take them over to the courthouse for storage.



4-H Tree Plant 2011



You are invited to the annual 4-H Tree Plant this year on **February 26th**. We will meet at the OSU Extension Office at 9:00 AM and will be traveling to the site from there. The unit will be located within 15 minutes of Tillamook. This is a fun community service event for all 4-H clubs and an opportunity to enjoy a morning in the forest! Please plan on the event running through noon. Sturdy footwear and a coat should be worn. If you have any questions please contact Brian Dally at 503-815-7053. Event sponsored by the Oregon Department of Forestry-Tillamook District, South Fork Forest Camp, the BLM-Tillamook District, and the Tillamook County 4-H Leaders' Association.



Teen Opportunities

County and State Fair Staff

It's not too early to start thinking about your summer schedule and reserving time to assist at county or state fair. Teens are needed in a variety of roles. At state fair responsibilities can be for one or more days with lodging available in the 4-H dorm. Contact Joy or Nancy for more information. 503-842-3433.



Becoming an Oregon 4-H Ambassador



It's time for 4-H members in grades 9 through 11 to think about applying to become an Oregon 4-H Ambassador. To become an Ambassador you must participate in 4-H Ambassador Training at OSU 4-H Summer Conference, **June 22-25**. Applications will be due at the Oregon 4-H Office in May. Check the State 4-H Website for more information, <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/ambassador-program>



4-H Summer Camp Positions Available



The Benton-Lincoln-Linn-Tillamook 4-H Camp has openings for *Junior Staff* and *Camp Counselors*. Counselors are expected to be at camp from June 19 to 25. Camp is held at the 4-H Center near west Salem. Staff and counselors must attend Camp Counselor Selection Day, **March 12**, in Rickreall and Camp Counselor Training Weekend, **May 14-15**, at the Oregon 4-H Center. Tillamook deadline for junior staff and camp counselor applications is **February 1**. Call the OSU Extension Service in Tillamook 503-842-3343 for applications.



State Recognition for Leadership, Citizenship and/or Communication

Intermediate 4-H members (7th-9th grades) are eligible to apply for state awards in leadership, citizenship, or communications. The application includes a one-page narrative and one page of photos. Applications are due at the OSU Extension Service, Tillamook County 4-H office by **February 15**. Check out the State 4-H Website at <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/state-4h-recognition-awards>



State Resume Due for National 4-H Congress

A State 4-H resume is required to compete for selection as a delegate to National 4-H Congress. Your state resume is due at the Tillamook County 4-H office by **February 15**. The state resume includes a detailed history of your achievements, leadership, citizenship and communication. Check out the State 4-H Website for more information, <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/national-4h-congress>



Oregon State University Scholarships



Agricultural Honors – Several \$1000 scholarships for incoming and continuing students majoring in the College of Agriculture. Applications due to the OSU College of Agriculture **February 1**.

Judith K. Hofer 4-H Scholarship – One \$1,500 scholarship to a female with 5 years of 4-H experience majoring in Merchandising Management in the dept. of Design & Human Environment in the College of Health and Human Sciences. Applications available on the 4-H website and due at the State 4-H Office **March 1**.



Oregon 4-H College Scholarships



Oregon 4-H scholarships are administered through the Oregon 4-H Foundation. Some are for any college/university and others are OSU specific. The scholarship application requires completion of a 2-page essay describing your growth in 4-H with an emphasis on how 4-H has contributed to your sense of competence, confidence, connection, character and compassion and a single page highlighting your activities in your 4-H career. SAT scores must be submitted with the application.

Applicants must be currently enrolled in 4-H and have completed a minimum of three years in 4-H; be high school seniors; plan to attend an accredited college or university; and have a minimum 3.0 GPA or 2.75 GPA and 850 or above on the SAT. Applications must be submitted to the Tillamook County office of OSU Extension Service by **February 15**. Check out the state 4-H website for complete information, <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/state-4h-scholarships>.



State Fair 4-H College Scholarship Applications Due

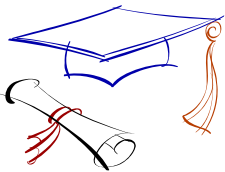


There are six college scholarships available for 4-H members who have participated at either county or state fair for a minimum of two years. In addition to the application, you must include a transcript, SAT scores, 2 reference forms, an essay explaining the benefits of fairs participation, and a fair leadership and exhibit summary.

Applications must be submitted to the OSU Extension Service in Tillamook by **February 15**. Complete information is available at the State 4-H website, <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/2009-state-fair-4h-scholarship-summary>



Tillamook County 4-H Scholarships Due

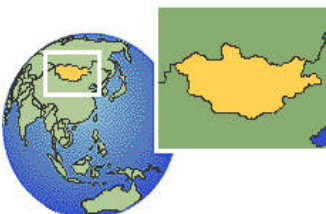


Two \$500 Tillamook County 4-H Scholarships are available for 4-H members interested in college, business or trade school. Members must have a minimum of 4 years of 4-H membership and had their 4-H record judged at the 2010 County Fair. Applications are due **February 15**.

- ◆ **Tillamook County 4-H Scholarship** - One scholarship
- ◆ **Jim Durrer Memorial 4-H Scholarship** - One scholarship to an Oregon school. Must have participated in 4-H dairy, rabbit, beef, sheep or swine. Minimum 3.0 GPA.



American Youth Leadership Program with Mongolia—Enhancing Global Perspectives



This exchange will offer 29 teens (15-17 years old as of June 1, 2011 with at least one semester of high school left following the trip) and 6 adults the opportunity to explore the vast historical and cultural traditions of Mongolia in a four week exchange program beginning mid June and ending mid July, 2011. The educational theme during the exchange will focus on environmental issues that are common to the western U.S. and Mongolia: water quality, renewable energy and land restoration/reclamation. Youth and adults will be recruited from 13 western states including Oregon!!

The US Department of state will cover most of the cost of the experience. Application deadline is **January 15, 2011**. If interested in submitting an application, please check with your county Extension office for complete details. Applications will be submitted directly to the University of Wyoming. PLEASE also send a copy of your application to Lillian Larwood, 105 Ballard Hall, Corvallis, OR 97331-3608 or Lillian.larwood@oregonstate.edu



4-H Exchange Program to Finland



Older teens and young adults, at least 18 years of age as of January 1, 2011, from around Oregon are invited to apply to travel to Finland from mid-June to early-September, 2011. This opportunity is part of the Oregon 4-H International Exchange Youth Development Program. In addition to having the opportunity to experience living with host families in other countries, participants in Youth Development Programs will work with the cooperating youth program in their host country. Depending on the host country, this work could include helping with camping programs, studying youth development issues, or working with formation of 4-H type clubs in various settings around the country.

Cost is approximately \$2,500. Some scholarships may be available. Application deadline is **February 15, 2011**. Check out the State 4-H website for complete information - . <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/4h-world-citizenship-project-international-exchange-programs>.



Interested in Traveling to Argentina?



The Oregon 4-H Program is offering a new opportunity to apply to become an exchange delegate and travel to Argentina. Additional information and complete application materials are now available on the state 4-H website at: <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/4h-world-citizenship-project-international-exchange-programs> . The application deadline is **February 7, 2011**, so start now since you need references.



Outdoor Skills Rendezvous



9th through 12th grade youth interested in more advanced understanding of safe and responsible use of firearms, sportfishing, or challenge and adventure are invited to register for the 2011 Outdoor Skills Rendezvous at the 4-H Center in Salem, Oregon, **August 10-13, 2011**.

This residential camp experience is for the outdoor enthusiast wanting a little more in depth exploration of shooting sports, angling and aquatic ecology, and leadership development through challenge and adventure.

Registration materials can be found on-line in January by visiting <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/outdoor-skills-rendezvous>. The estimated cost is \$175.



Leader Updates

Tillamook 4-H Leaders Quarterly Meeting –

The next Tillamook County 4-H Leaders' Association quarterly meeting will be **January 24**, at the OSU Extension Service meeting room. The meeting will include approval of the 2011 budget and program "Wanna Be My Friend: The Ins and Outs of Online Social Networking." The program will build awareness of the risks and rewards of online social networking and awareness of how teens use online social networking . All 4-H leaders, teen leaders and junior leaders are members of the association and are encouraged to attend. The meeting will begin at 7 pm.

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4-H Leaders' Association Executive Board



As of January 1, the 4-H Leaders' Association will have several new members on the Executive Board. These are the people who have been elected to represent you for the next year. Feel free to call them with suggestions, concerns or ideas. They are looking forward to a productive year.

President: Gina Dally
President Elect: Philip Gregg
Past-President: Ginny Therrien
Treasurer: DeeAnn Gregg
Secretary: Phyllis Holmes

Directors-At-Large: Pam Abrams, Cristina Egnew, Teri Fladstol, Roberta Grunder, Coleen Neary, Cyndie Siemsen, Gina Seufert, Tylea Sumerlin, Aline Turpen and Kevin Queen.

Youth Members: Elianna Fladstol, Wesley Neary, Monica Therrien, Jessica & Morgan Dally.

Check the 4-H calendar for meeting dates and time. Leaders are welcome to attend these board meetings.



New Leader e-Learning Module



Have you been a 4-H leader for several years or maybe you are a newer 4-H leader. You may want to check out the state 4-H website for updates on volunteer opportunities and policies at: <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/volunteer>. There is a new 4-H Volunteer e-Learning course that may be of interest or provide new information or a refresher on your 4-H volunteer role. Why not spend a few minutes this winter reviewing your 4-H volunteer role in the warmth of your own home.

e-Learning is composed of four modules, about 15 - 20 minutes each, to provide basic orientation for volunteers. Each module is interactive, including appealing graphics, quizzes, and connected information. The learning is self-paced and when each module is completed the volunteer receives a completion certificate, while the local Extension staff is notified that the volunteer has completed the module. Click here to get to the e-Learning course: <http://4h.wsu.edu/volunteertraining/>, then register your name and state and use the password "volunteer."



Updated Page on Website With Leader Guidelines

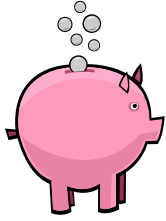


Leaders, please take a moment to check out the updated page on our Tillamook County 4-H website <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/tillamook/4h-policies>. This page has the following articles about policies and other vitally important information that all leaders need to be aware of:

- ◆ 4-H Membership Policy
- ◆ Naming 4-H Clubs
- ◆ 4-H Club Fundraiser Application
- ◆ 4-H Fundraising Reminders
- ◆ Yearly Accounting of Club Assets
- ◆ Tax Time and 4-H
- ◆ 4-H Interest Bearing Accounts
- ◆ Keeping 4-H Youth Safe - *Have at least 2 unrelated adults at every club event*
- ◆ Law for Children Riding in Cars
- ◆ Volunteer Injury Coverage
- ◆ 4-H Clover Logo Usage Policy
- ◆ Leasing or Borrowing an Animal
- ◆ Oregon Veterinary Practice Act - As it applies to 4-H Leaders
- ◆ Moving Animals Across Borders
- ◆ Horse - Helmet Use Requirement
- ◆ Oregon Social Media Guidelines



Clubs Must Account For Year's Assets



Club leaders will receive a 2010 Club Financial Report in early January. Forms for each club operating during the 2010 calendar year are due **no later than March 1, 2011**. According to IRS and Oregon Justice Department regulations, the Tillamook County 4-H Leaders Association is responsible for all assets earned and maintained by advisories, committees and clubs. If you started a club in October-December of 2010 you still need to comply with the requirement this year.



Prospective 4-Hers Need to Hear from You



Now is the time of year that prospective 4-H members call our office and ask for clubs in their area. If you indicated on your annual club re-enrollment survey that you are accepting new members, we will have these new members contact you. Remember, it is important to return these calls promptly! Even if your club has not had a meeting yet, new members deserve to hear from you. When you don't call back, the new members get discouraged and often decide that they don't want to join 4-H after all. If your club is full, please call our office 503-842-3433 and let us know so that we can take you off the list of clubs accepting new members.



What Constitutes a 4-H Club?

Just a reminder that the state policy of what constitutes a 4-H club is that a club must contain 5 youth, represent 3 families and meet a minimum of 6 times a year.



Ain't Got Nobody...



Are you a leader without a club? Maybe your members all graduated, or you are "taking a break" from club leadership. We encourage you to continue to enroll as a Resource Leader. You will continue to receive mailings and still be covered by tort liability insurance, just in case someone twists your arm into helping out!



Shooting Sports Volunteer Training



Several 4-H shooting sports trainings are being offered this winter/spring. Completion of this training is mandatory before volunteers can begin to lead a 4-H shooting sports club. Dates for 2011 include:

January 21-22 – Josephine County - muzzleloading, pistol, rifle, and shotgun

January 28-29 – Douglas County – archery

February 11 and 12 – Columbia County - archery, muzzleloading, pistol, rifle and shotgun disciplines

April 15-16 – Grant County – all disciplines

Registration is open to volunteers across the state. Training of new volunteers in the shooting sports program requires 12 hours of training. Participants attend a Friday evening session and Saturday session. Returning volunteers must have attended a training in 2009 or 2010 to qualify and must attend the 8 hour Saturday session.

To be eligible to attend, all participants must have completed the new 4-H leader application, screening and training process prior to registering – so get started on that now to allow time to complete the process prior to registration. Registration materials can be found by visiting <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/shooting-sports-projects>.



Oregon ATV Safety Seeks Volunteer Evaluators



Riding an ATV is a way for many youth and adults to connect with each other and the great outdoors. The Off Highway Vehicle system in Oregon provides miles of well established and maintained trails for young and old alike. As an **Oregon ATV Safety™** team member, you can share your enthusiasm for ATVing by giving back to the ATV community. Every year brings more riders of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities to the sport. The future of the sport and the health and well-being of young riders depend on people like you. You have the talent to make a difference in the safety and well-being of these new riders TODAY!

Oregon ATV Safety™ Volunteer Evaluator training gives you the skills necessary to appraise the ability of young riders to demonstrate their ability to safely operate the ATVs they normally ride. It's important to the safety of these young riders and the future of the sport that these young people understand how to ride safe, smart, and ethically.

Oregon ATV Safety™ team members are volunteers with the passion, enthusiasm, and drive to engage young people in a rider evaluation process. The evaluation assists young riders with their understanding and management of risks associated with ATVing. With your help, our community's youngest citizens will participate in a recreational activity that can provide a lifetime of safe, fun, exciting ATV adventures. Visit <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/atv> for an application. The first OAS Volunteer Evaluator training will take place in Redmond, Oregon, **March 5 and 6, 2011**.



4-H Angler and Aquatic Education Leaders' Workshop



The Oregon 4-H Outdoor Education & Recreation Program is partnering with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) to conduct statewide training in angler and aquatic education (AAE), **January 22, 2011** in Redmond, Oregon. Participants in the Oregon 4-H AAE Program Workshop will qualify to serve as both 4-H AAE Volunteers and ODFW Angler Education Instructors.

The 8 hour workshop will cover the following topics: ODFW Angler Education Program overview, Oregon 4-H Angler and Aquatic Education Program, introduction to fishing gear and equipment, basic knot tying, terminal tackle preparation, rod set-up, casting, parts of a fish, fish identification, angler ethics and responsibilities (including how to use the Sportfishing Regulations), where to go fishing, and water safety.

ODFW provides the training, instruction curriculum, teaching materials, youth materials, loaner equipment, teaching aids, uniforms and communications support needed by 4-H volunteers to lead 4-H AAE clubs or instructors to deliver the AAE program.

To be a 4-H AAE Volunteer and ODFW Volunteer Angler Instructor, you must be at least 21 years of age, complete instructor application and background check. As well, have a desire to start a 4-H Angler and Aquatic Education club and be willing to teach or assist at least one Angler Education class or event per year.

Visit <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/sport-fishing-projects> for information and registration materials.



Animal Science

4-H Donor Will Sponsor Animal Science Project



An anonymous donor has committed to sponsoring a 4-H animal project for up to \$500 for a deserving 4-H youth in the 4th through 12th grade who could not afford to raise an animal(s) otherwise.

The donor will pay for the purchase of the animal(s) and will help with feed costs up to \$500 for dairy or livestock, and up to \$100 towards a small animal project (poultry or rabbit, which might include fencing, etc.)

The award application is available at the OSU Extension Service Office, 2204 Fourth Street, Tillamook, or online at <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/tillamook>.

Applications are due by **March 15, 2011**. Contact Joy Jones, 4-H & Agriculture Agent at 503-842-5708 to see if funds are still available & for further information



Animal Science Saturdays

It is not too late to start attending Animal Science Saturdays. We will be meeting on **Jan 8, Feb 19, March 19, April 16, May 21, and June 18**. Some of the upcoming topics are meat science, forage and feed stuff, parasites, and educational displays. Cost is free, but you must be a current 4-H member to attend.



Important Dates for Market Animal Projects

Make sure and mark the following dates on your calendar if you are planning on participating in the Junior Livestock Auction at the 2011 Tillamook County Fair:

Beef Weigh-In	Fri., April 8, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
All Animal Weigh-In	Sat., June 4, 7:00 a.m. to noon
Courtesy Weigh-In	Wed., July 20, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.
Rabbit & Poultry Weigh-In	Wed., July 20, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.



All weigh-ins are held at the Livestock Barn at the Tillamook County Fairgrounds. **Remember that attendance at these events is mandatory** for all 4-H members who want to sell an animal at the Junior Livestock Auction.



The 4-H member must be present at the weigh-in for their animal to be weighed. If a 4-H member cannot be present, they must contact the Extension Agent and provide a written note explaining why. The note must be submitted at least one week prior to the weigh-in. The Auction Committee will determine if the member may be excused.

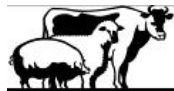


Members may only sell one animal/cage, except members may sell two animals/cages of different species if the member has an on-going breeding project and exhibits breeding stock in one of the species. Members must submit an application to the JLAC at the June weigh-in that is signed by the Extension agent and 4-H leader verifying that the member has an on-going breeding project in one species.

Contact the OSU Extension Service to get a complete copy of the 2011 JLAC rules.



Country of Origin Labeling (COOL) for 4-H Market Animal Projects



4-H participants of market steers or heifers, lambs, swine, rabbit or poultry projects are required to comply with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Country of Origin Labeling (COOL) program.

This program requires retailers to notify customers of the country of origin of beef, lamb, pork, chicken, and goat products. See the Tillamook County 4-H website <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/tillamook/4h/livestock-project-requirements> for more details.



Showing the Same Project Area in 4-H and FFA



The state 4-H and FFA offices have a Memorandum of Understanding that covers members who show in both organizations. The memorandum is posted on the 4-H Youth forms section of our county 4-H website.

If you show the same species in 4-H and FFA, you need to determine which animals are your 4-H project animals and which are for FFA by **June 1**. 4-H project animals can not show in FFA shows, and vice-versa. Be sure to check with your FFA advisor about additional restrictions.



Upcoming Shows/Clinics



Stop by the OSU Extension Service in Tillamook 503-842-3433 for more information about the following shows or clinics.

- ◆ *Market steer official weigh-in date for Eastern Oregon Livestock Show contestants, **January 9**, 2011 (the show itself is June 8–11)*
- ◆ *Dog I.D. Contest & Dog Bowl*, Saturday, **January 29**, 2011, Douglas County Fairgrounds, Roseburg.
- ◆ *27th Annual Silver Dollar Open Schooling Show (Horse)*, **January 14-16**, Linn County Fair & Expo Center, Albany.
- ◆ *4-H Critter Campus*, rabbit and cavy workshop, **January 22**, Polk County Fairgrounds, Rickreall.
- ◆ *Rickreall Roundup*, (cat, rabbit, cavy, poultry) Saturday, **February 12**, Polk County Fairgrounds, Rickreall.
- ◆ *Critter Romp (rabbit, cavy, poultry, cat, dog show)*, **March 5**, Yamhill Co. Fairgrounds, McMinnville.
- ◆ *Scuttlebuns Small Animal Show*, **March 5**, Washington Co. Fairgrounds, Hillsboro.
- ◆ *Clackamas County Rabbit and Cavy Show*, Saturday, **March 12**, Clackamas County Fairgrounds, Canby
- ◆ *Spring Horse Classic* - (Judging, Hippology, Horse Bowl, Presentations, Public Speaking) **April 29 - May 1**, Roseburg Oregon
- ◆ *Stars N' Paws Dog Fun Match*, Saturday, **May 14**, Tillamook County Fairgrounds



Horse Members and Leaders Take Note: Helmets are Required!



Everyone involved in the Horse project area is reminded of the helmet requirement. All 4-H members and others under 18 years of age are required to use a helmet while riding a horse or riding in a horse drawn vehicle at **any 4-H associated event**.

This means *club practices, clinics, shows sponsored by 4-H or any other activity related to 4-H*. The 4-H club **leader(s) are responsible** for making sure each 4-H member or guest is wearing a helmet.



“Cloverbud” 4-H Members (K-3rd grades) are NOT Allowed to Work With Animals



Leaders and parents, please remember that Oregon State 4-H Policy prohibits members younger than 4th grade from working with horses, dogs and livestock (dairy and beef cattle, swine, sheep, and goats) for safety reasons.

Leaders who allow younger members to work with horses, dogs or livestock are violating Oregon State 4-H Policy and can face severe consequences should a child get hurt. If you have questions regarding this policy, please call 503-842-3433.



Barn Basics - Livestock Reminders



It’s been a long time since fair, but don’t forget your 4-H animals in the barn. Do you remember to do your health management chores? When was the last time you trimmed and checked hooves, or gave booster vaccinations? Here’s a checklist:

- ✓ Clean water trough and pen.
- ✓ Check hooves for damage – trim & treat if needed.
- ✓ Vaccinate animals & give annual boosters – booster shots are more effective if they are given several weeks before your female animal gives birth, so mother and baby both benefit. Mom gets her annual booster and baby gets better quality colostrum from the increased levels of antibodies.
- ✓ Monitor for parasites and treat as needed. (worms, lice, mites, flukes, coccidiosis, etc.) Take a fecal sample to the vet if you suspect a problem.
- ✓ Monitor the weight and condition of your animals. Adjust rations as needed. Is your animal too fat or too thin? Now is the time to start correcting it before show season.
- ✓ Keep a close eye on expectant mothers. Make sure that she is in good condition and has a clean safe place to have her baby. As her due date approaches monitor as needed. Make sure you know what to do if it is necessary to help.
- ✓ Take proper care of newborns. Remember that the baby’s initial immunity to diseases, that it gets from its mother’s colostrum, wears off and you need to vaccinate them for diseases common in your area/state.
- ✓ Dehorn, castrate, and dock tails earlier rather than later. Struggling with older, larger animals makes the job harder and is stressful to the animal.

If you need additional livestock management information contact Joy at 842-3433.



4-H Calendar
For Jan/Feb 2011
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2011 4-H DONATIONS FORM

Name

Date

Mailing Address

Phone #

City, State, Zip

DONATIONS OF ANY AMOUNT ARE APPRECIATED AND TAX DEDUCTIBLE

County-wide Programs - County-wide is our most flexible fund. It is used to support leader/member training, seminars, workshops, field days, and other programs.

Donation: \$ _____

4-H Scholarships - This fund supports scholarships for Tillamook County youth to attend programs such as 4-H Camp, Know Your Government Conference, 4-H Teen Summer Conference, and more. These programs each cost approximately \$120.00 to 200.00 per participant depending on length of program. Scholarship assistance is also provided to low-income families to assist with payment of the mandatory state 4-H enrollment fee.

Donation: \$ _____

4-H After School and Day Camp Programs – This fund helps support after school and summer 4-H programs for youth. Programs provide positive, educational activities for youth during non-school hours when many youth are unsupervised. The after school and day camp programs reach youth who do not have the opportunity to be involved in the traditional 4-H program.

Donation: \$ _____

4-H Project Training & Activity – This fund supports project specific trainings, activities, and educational materials. Please indicate the project area that you wish to contribute to:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Dog | <input type="checkbox"/> Natural Resources |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dairy | <input type="checkbox"/> Science, Engineering & Technology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Home Economics (Clothing/Foods) | <input type="checkbox"/> Shooting Sports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Horse | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Animal (rabbit, cavy, poultry) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Livestock (beef, sheep, swine, goats) | |

Donation: \$ _____

Total Enclosed: \$

Please make checks payable to: Tillamook Co. 4-H Leaders Association and Return by February 15, 2011 (or as soon as possible) to: 4-H Leaders Association, 2204 Fourth Street, Tillamook, OR 97141

For more information please contact the OSU Extension Service in Tillamook, (503) 842-3433.