

Oregon State University / Umatilla County Extension Service

# 4-H IN THE SPOTLIGHT

October 2012

**TO:** 4-H Members & Leaders  
**FROM:** Patricia Dawson, Extension Agent, 4-H & Youth Programs  
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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### -----October 2012-----

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| 1    | Re-Enrollment for the new 4-H year begins                           | County-wide                |
| 7-13 | National 4-H Week                                                   | Nation-wide                |
| 13   | Teaching Fun 4-H Workshop for Leaders and Junior Leaders 9am to 1pm | Pendleton Ext. Office      |
| 14   | Entries due for "Stop Bullying Video"                               | Information on Page 4      |
| 20   | Last day to sign up to help at 4-H Achievement Day                  | Pendleton Extension Office |
| 22   | 4-H Horse Leader Committee 7:00 p.m.                                | Pendleton Extension Office |
| 29   | 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Meeting 6:30 p.m.                        | Pendleton Extension Office |
| 31   | Applications due for National 4-H Conference                        | Pendleton Extension Office |

### -----November 2012-----

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| 3  | 4-H Achievement Day                           | Pendleton Convention Center |
| 5  | Livestock Leader Meeting 7:00 p.m.            | Pendleton Extension Office  |
| 10 | County Fair Premium Book Proposed Changes Due | Pendleton Extension Office  |
| 16 | Make it With Wool Entry Forms Due             | Information on Page 4       |

### -----December 2012-----

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| 31 | Registration due for the 2012 Western Regional Leader's Forum | Information on Page 4 |
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Welcome Back Returning 4-H Members and Leaders  
 The staff at the Umatilla County 4-H Offices in Pendleton, Hermiston and Milton Freewater,  
 would like to welcome back all returning 4-H Members and Leaders for the 2013 4-H year!

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**COUNTY FAIR THANK YOU**

We would like to express our thanks to the many, many volunteers who worked to make the 2012 Umatilla County Fair a success. We appreciate the time that Superintendents, Clerks, 4-H Board Members, and Parents gave to help the 4-H Division of County Fair run smoothly. Your assistance was greatly appreciated!

**County Fair Premium Book  
Schedule Revisions**

While County Fair is fresh in your mind, we are requesting that you submit proposed changes or concerns to Patricia Dawson at the Pendleton Extension Service Office. We will refer your suggestions to the appropriate Superintendent or Committee for their review. Please contact Patricia immediately as revisions are due by November 10, 2012.

**Record Books**

We have many record books that need to be picked up. Call your local Extension Office to find out if they have your book on hand before you drop by to pick it up during office hours. The office numbers are as follows:

- Hermiston - 541-571-8321
- Milton-Freewater - 541-938-5597
- Pendleton - 541-278-5404

**State Fair Exhibits**

State Fair exhibits have been returned to the Hermiston and Pendleton Extension Offices. Please be sure to make arrangements to pick up your items from the office by **October 30, 2012**. Due to limited storage the offices will not be able to store items after that date. Thank you!

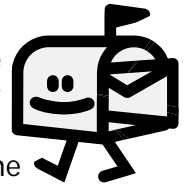
**Congratulations State Fair Exhibitors**

Umatilla County can be very proud of the outstanding representation at State Fair. 23% of the exhibits returned home with a Champion or Reserve Champion award. Great job 4-H'ers!!!



**Thank You Notes**

Did you send out a Thank You note after County Fair? The business or individual that purchased your animal, or sponsored your trophy at the Umatilla County Fair very much appreciates getting a Thank You Note. Your "thanks" keep them coming back year after year. Let them know how much you appreciate their kindness.



Here are some guidelines on writing your Thank you Notes:

Start the note by:

- Writing the buyer or award sponsor's name at the top, then move into the body of the message;
- Begin the body by telling them thank you for purchasing your market project, or sponsoring your trophy;
- Tell them a little about yourself and your project;
- If you are writing a thank you for your market project, you may also want to tell the buyer what your plans are with the profit you made on your project.

It is necessary that you send out these Thank You Notes in a timely manner and make them personable.

**Thank you Elmer's Irrigation**

Elmer's Irrigation sponsored the free rodeo tickets for Thursday's Rodeo for 4-H Livestock members who exhibited at County Fair. Please remember to send a "Thank You" note to Elmer's for their generosity and support of the 4-H Program in Umatilla County.

Thank you notes can be mailed to:

**Elmer's Irrigation  
PO Box 862  
Umatilla, OR 97882**

**4-H Clubs Needed!**

If your club has openings for new members please call Patricia Dawson at 541-278-5404 as soon as possible. We have a lot of children looking for Photography, Computer, Robotics, Home Ec. and Animal Science 4-H Clubs. Thank you!



## Re-Enrollment

### It's Annual Enrollment Time!

October 1st marks the beginning of a new 4-H year. This means it is time to re-enroll existing members and leaders as well as add new members and leaders to the 4-H rosters. To facilitate the enrollment process, a packet will be sent to the Club Contact Leader for each club. It is important that everyone realizes that **each member** and **leader** need to fill out a new enrollment form **and** health form **each year**. Please complete the forms in a timely manner and with as much accuracy as possible. Please help us by getting all of the necessary signatures on your forms and return them to the Extension Office in your area immediately following your 1st club meeting. Invite a new member to join your club today!

### Enrollment Policies

1. **All members and leaders** will enroll on the 4-H enrollment forms provided by the County Extension Office.
2. **Parents** are encouraged to review their member's enrollment forms before submitting to the leader or to the Extension Office.
3. **Forms** must be complete, and fees paid, before they will be processed. An incomplete form will be returned or you will be contacted.
4. **Changes of projects** (additions or drops) will be made by completing a "new" 4-H enrollment form.
5. **Forms** not received by **January 15, 2013**, will not receive new mailings from the Extension Office until the forms are in.
6. A **\$5.00 late fee** will be charged after **January 15, 2013**.

### 4-H Achievement Day Planned

The 2012 Umatilla County 4-H Achievement Day has been scheduled for Saturday, November 3, 2012, at the Pendleton Convention Center. County Medals and Junior Achievement Medals will be presented to outstanding 4-H'ers. Certificates of accomplishment will also be awarded. 4-H'ers are invited to assist with the program by leading pledges, handing out programs or sharing a 2-5 minute speech about "What 4-H Means to Me". If you would like to participate please notify Patricia at 541-278-5404 or 1-800-871-1313 by Friday, October 20th. Thank you!

## New Enrollment Forms Attention All Leaders



The Member and Volunteer Leader Enrollment Forms were recently revised. **Please discard** any enrollment forms you may have left over from previous years. The new forms will be sent to you in your enrollment packets. If you need additional forms please call the 4-H Office at **541-278-5404** or email: **mary.vanetta@oregonstate.edu**

### Add Additional Projects Without Adding Clubs?

You are enrolled in a Swine Club and with your new camera, took a great shot at showmanship practice. Did you know you can enter that photo in Fair, as well as your pig, without joining another club? It's called *piggy-backing*, and it is the practice of adding a related project onto an existing one to provide a broader, more challenging experience.

How do you go about adding a new project? **First**, you have to add the project to your enrollment form, and you will have to fill out a Project Record appropriate for that item. Then, closer to Fair, you have to determine what class you want to display your item, fill out the Fair entry form, and register for Fair, using the correct process for each project. Remember, just because you have chosen to add an additional project doesn't mean your club leader must cover the subject at meetings.

**Second**, there is a fee of \$3 for each additional projects to cover project materials.

If you are going to use the *piggy-backing* idea, your "add-on" projects will be "**static**" or "**non-livestock**", and will be found under the broad heading of Expressive Arts, Home Ec., Science or Horticulture.

Examples of *piggy-backing* include: With any Animal Science project you can add Leathercraft, Foods, Photography, Entomology, Computers, Woodworking or even Sewing (i.e., horse or sheep blanket, a dog bed, etc.) With Sheep you can add Fiber Arts. With Food projects you can add Horticulture, Outdoor Cookery or Food Preservation.

Consider *piggy backing* as a way to add new challenges to yourself and your club.



### Membership Fee Structure

Due to a major reduction of financial support to the County 4-H Program, we have had to increase our project fees.

The annual 4-H Enrollment Fee is now \$36 for the first project (\$37 for Horse Members) and \$3 for each additional project. **SEPARATE CHECKS** should be issued to the following:

#### ■ Umatilla County 4-H Leaders

\$8

\$9 for Horse Members

#### ■ OSU Extension Service

\$28 for first project

\$ 3 for each additional project

4-H Club Leaders will not be charged for Leader Publications. 4-H members must pay the enrollment fee before receiving project materials. We do have limited scholarships available to assist with membership fees. Contact Patricia by email: [patricia.dawson@oregonstate.edu](mailto:patricia.dawson@oregonstate.edu), or call 541-278-5404 for applications.

### Upcoming Leader Meetings

There will be a Umatilla County 4-H **Horse Leader** meeting on **Monday, October 22nd starting at 7:00 p.m.**

There will be a Umatilla County 4-H **Shooting Sports Leader** meeting on **Monday October 29th starting at 6:30 p.m.**

There will be a Umatilla County 4-H **Livestock Leader** meeting on **Monday, November 5th at 7:00 p.m.**

**All meetings will be at the Pendleton Extension Conference Room**

If you have items you would like added to either meeting agenda please call Claire at 541-278-5404 or email : [claire.sponseller@oregonstate.edu](mailto:claire.sponseller@oregonstate.edu)

### 2013 Western Regional Leader's Forum

Honolulu, Hawaii is the location of the 2013 Western Regional Leaders Forum held March 21-24, 2013. The forum includes leaders, teen and staff from the 13 western states, 2 Canadian Provinces and the Pacific Territories. Registration is \$375 and must be postmarked by Dec. 31st. For more information contact Patricia at 541-278-5404 or email: [patricia.dawson@oregonstate.edu](mailto:patricia.dawson@oregonstate.edu).

### Oregon Make it With Wool Contest Entries Due November 16

Seamstresses, knitters and those who crochet are invited to enter the 65th annual Oregon Make It With Wool Contest. Garments must be made of fabrics or yarns that are at least 60% wool, mohair, cashmere, alpaca, camel, or llama fiber. Sign up now for the 2012 event set for December 8 at Salishan Resort in Gleneden Beach, OR. The competition is open to pre-teens 12 years and under, juniors 13-16 years, senior 17-24 years, and adults 25 years and older. The category "Made for Others" is open to any age. National finals will be held during the 2013 American Sheep Industry Annual Convention, January 23-26, 2012, in San Antonio, TX at the Hyatt Regency. Entry deadline is November 16, 2012. For more information and entry forms for the Oregon Make It With Wool Contest, contact Oregon Director Maureen Krebs 69956 Hwy 74, Lone OR 97843, 541-422-7548 or [eatlamb@wildblue.net](mailto:eatlamb@wildblue.net)

### Youth are invited to enter the Stop Bullying Video Challenge



The Federal Partners in Bullying Prevention, encourage youth to submit original public service announcements. The 20-60 second videos should showcase ways youth are taking action against bullying and promoting a culture of kindness and respect in their communities. They are looking for informative and entertaining videos that send a positive message to youth about the importance of being "more than a bystander: to bullying in their schools and communities. The deadline for submission is October 14, and the top prize is \$2,000. Full details about the contest, including submission guidelines and rules for eligibility are available at: [stopbullying.challenge.gov](http://stopbullying.challenge.gov).

### Teaching Fun 4-H Workshop

Claire Sponseller will be hosting a workshop for 4-H Leaders, Junior Leaders, or anyone interested is welcome to attend. The workshop will be held on Saturday, October 13 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Pendleton Extension Service Office. To register call Claire at 541-278-5404. See poster on page 7 for more information.



### New Food curriculum available now

The Food & Nutrition Project area has a completely new curriculum! Rather than revise the many pieces that were used in the past, Oregon has decided to purchase sets of materials from other states and add our own records and advancements. The Baking Series and the Cooking Series each have four member guides that correspond to First-year, Beginning, Expanding and Advanced skill levels. There is a leader guide for each series. For nutritious recipes, we also have the Food Hero Healthy Recipe cookbook. We think you will agree that these materials do a good job of teaching needed skills, are understandable to members, and are designed so that leaders can use each section as a lesson at a meeting. Materials will be available at the Extension office in November. The Baking Series is also available online at: <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/home-economics>, or visit the State 4-H website at <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu>

### 4-H Volunteer E-Learning Course

Feel like you need to know more about 4-H? Want to test your knowledge and skills? There is an e-learning course that is now available through the internet. There are 4 modules that take 15-20 minutes each and can take place in the comfort of your own home as your schedule allows. The modules are: **1.** About 4-H; **2.** Positive Youth Development; **3.** Getting Started in 4-H; and **4.** Leadership and Teaching. <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/elearning-course> is the web address. Contact Patricia for more information.

### 2013 International Exchange Outbound Programs

Are you interested in other countries and cultures? 4-H has international program for youth, recent graduates and adult chaperones. Several outbound exchange opportunities are offered.

Argentina	4-week stay	July 8 - August 6
Australia	4-week stay	June 19 - July 18
Finland	4-week stay	July 1 - July 31
Japan	4-week stay	July 10 - August 8
Japan	8-week stay	June 12 - August 8
Tanzania	2-week stay	July 12 - July 29

Applications and deposits are due January 5, 2013. Email Patricia for more information: [patricia.dawson@oregonstate.edu](mailto:patricia.dawson@oregonstate.edu).

### Oregon 4-H Science Video Contest

Thanks to support from the Oregon 4-H Foundation, the State 4-H Science Team is holding a Science Video Contest. Youth are encouraged to showcase the science across all project areas - Animal Science, Home Environment, Foods, Natural Science and Technology. There will be extra points for innovation in the project area chosen. Videos are to be 2 - 3 minutes in length and conform to the 4-H videography exhibit requirements. All the submissions will be posted in the spring and a "Peoples Choice" award winner will be chosen. The top 3-5 videos will be posted to the State 4-H website. Videos are due March 30, 2013.

### Applications due for National 4-H Conference

Attention all youth in 10th & 11th grades! National Conference is a chance for you to represent Oregon in Washington, DC. At this conference, 4-H members from across the country to gather to learn more about our government and national issues facing youth. They attend workshops and bring what they learn back to our county and state. The conference is April 6-11, 2012. We have not received a new application or deadline, but in the past they have been due October 31. More information will be on the state 4-H website National Conference page.

### Reminder

**If your mailing address, email address or phone number changes please let us know so we can keep our records current and you don't miss any important 4-H information. Thank you!**

**Be sure to visit the 4-H website at: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/umatilla/4h> and on Facebook for upcoming 4-H events!**





# NATIONAL OCTOBER 7-13, 2012 4-H WEEK



## National 4-H Week

Join 4-H'ers across the nation in celebrating National 4-H week October 7-13. We encourage your 4-H Club to promote 4-H by wearing your club T-Shirts, passing out enrollment forms, inviting a friend to join 4-H, making posters for your school and local stores, etc.



# Teaching Fun 4-H:

A Workshop to Stimulate Creativity in  
Teaching Traditional Projects

Who: 4-H Leaders, Junior Leaders,  
anyone is welcome!

When: Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>

Where: Pendleton Extension Office

Snacks & drinks  
will be provided!

Topics include:

- ❖ team building
- ❖ goal setting
- ❖ monthly club meeting topics
- ❖ record books
- ❖ parliamentary procedure
- ❖ involving older youth

and plenty of activities that you can transform to fit your project ideas!

Please RSVP to the Umatilla County Extension Office by  
Wednesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>

(541) 278-5404 or [claire.sponseller@oregonstate.edu](mailto:claire.sponseller@oregonstate.edu)



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## 4-H Exchange Opportunity

Are you at least 12 years old? Do you like to travel and try new things? The newly formed exchange club may be a fit for you. An exchange trip is a partnership between Umatilla County 4-H and another 4-H group anywhere in the United States.

It is a two year commitment where one group travels and the other group hosts the 4-H'ers and chaperones. While in the visiting county, 4-H'ers live with host families and tour the area, participating in activities. The following year the roles are reversed.

This fall we will have a meeting for those who might be interested in this experience. We will also have youth who have participated in an exchange from Union County tell about their experiences. If you have questions, call Sharilyn Newton at 541-379-6808.

