September brings us to the close of another 4-H year. Honour and I have enjoyed working with all of you and hope you will join us for another great year in 4-H.

The 4-H year officially closes at the end of September. Our end of the year celebration- 4-H Recognition Dinner will be held on Sunday, October 7th. (see inside for details). Please plan to attend. Special awards, member and leader pins and other recognition items will be given throughout the evening. We will have entertainment, a slide show and door prizes too!

We kick off the new 4-H year on October 1st by recognizing National 4-H Week. Help all of 4-H celebrate by tying a green ribbon on your antenna or displaying a 4-H clover in your windows of your home or car.

Project leader meetings for Horse, Livestock and Home Economics have been scheduled for October. The main agenda items for these meetings will be to debrief the past years events (especially EOLS and Union County Fair) and make plans for schedule changes, policy discussions and judge selection. I will also be requesting input on the types of workshops you would like to have during the coming year. These meetings are open to leaders, parents and older youth. This is the place to share your ideas and be a part of the planning process. A schedule of the dates and times is on the calendar at the back of the newsletter. Please come and participate.

Carole Smith  
4-H Agent Union County

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**GENERAL NEWS**

**Enrollment**

The new 4-H year begins October 1 and all 4-H clubs, leaders and members need to re-enroll. All club leaders should bring in their completed enrollment packet. Packet will be mailed in October. Enrollment packets contain: club enrollment form, club financial summary form, leader enrollment form(s), member enrollment form(s), and appropriate project and insurance fees.

For uninterrupted mailing of your newsletter, we recommend that all enrollment is done by December 31.

**Did you know that new leaders must complete an application form, have their references checked, pass a background check and attend a “New Leader Training” before they can participate as a club leader? This is also the way new leaders are covered by our insurance policy. Please check with your new leaders to make sure they have an application form on file with our office and have completed their “New Leader Training.”

Please call the office to find out when the next new leader training is scheduled.

**Recognition Dinner**

The annual Recognition Dinner is scheduled for October 7th at 5 pm in the Ag Service Center Conference Room.

Please plan on attending to help us celebrate another great year of 4-H. All leaders, members and parents are invited to attend. Please RSVP, 963-1010.

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Spring Horse Classic
In April the Union County 4-H horse judging team traveled to the Spring Horse Classic state competition in Klamath Falls.

The judging competition consisted of classes of Belgian mares, Molly mules, driving, western equitation, showmanship and oral reasons. The team members were: intermediates, Marlee Asmussen, Audra Hoadley, Amie Hardenbrook and Emma Stockhoff, seniors, Shelby Davis, Robert Hoadley, Courtney Skeen and Kelsey Skeen.

The intermediate team placed 14th in judging and 13th in hippology. The senior team placed 3rd in judging and 5th in hippology. Courtney Skeen placed 5th in judging and 6th in hippology.

Shelby Davis and Kelsey Skeen placed 1st with their senior team presentation and will be competing at the Western National Horse Classic competition in Denver, Co in January 2008.

If you would like to help with their expenses please contact Kelsey at 562-5585 or Shelby at 568-4499.

Submitted by Kelsey Skeen

State Livestock Judging Contest
Louisville or Bust! Louisville; 1,926 miles from the Oregon border, home of the Kentucky Derby, the birthplace of the Louisville Slugger, and destination for Oregon’s 4-H Senior Livestock Judging Team. The honor of representing Oregon at the 2007 National Contest, and title of State Champions went to four girls from Union County, this being the first time ever that Union County has won the contest. Senior Katie Moore, Juniors Shelby Davis and Hannah DelCurto, and Sophomore Mariah Murchison have been practicing and competing together nearly seven years, and are coached by Tammi and Tim DelCurto of Cove.

The contest will take place on the 13th of November, and is during the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE). All donations or questions can be sent to: The Union County Leaders Association, 10507 N McAllister Rd, Room 9, La Grande, OR 97850. The team will also be hosting a fundraising banquet September 30th, 2007 at 6 p.m., at Cove High School. The asking donation is $15.00 per person, and entertainment will be provided. All questions can be directed to Tammi DelCurto at (541) 568-4401.

Submitted by Katie Moore

State Fair Results

Educational Display:
Callahan Anderes - Blue,
Bryan Kelley - Blue, Felicia Pierce - Blue, Dale Tovar - Blue.

Presentation:

Original Art:

Non-Original Art:
(Collage) Britney Shaw - Blue.

Photography:

Fiber Arts:
(Patchwork) Britney Shaw - Blue.

Clothing & Textiles:
(Basic, yr 1, garment with casing) Tymoteuse Chzanowski - Red, Zachary Harrison - Blue, Autumn

Fashion Revue:
Paige Aragon - Blue, Brittanie Crook - Blue, Britney Shaw - Blue, Tiffany Shaw - Red.

Home Environment:
(Decorative Item) Britney Shaw - Red, Jacey Teeter - Blue.

Crocheting:
(Phase 4-wearable item) Tiffany Shaw - Champion & Blue, (Phase 6-wearable item) Britney Shaw - Champion & Blue, (Phase 6-hands for larger service) Britney Shaw - Blue, (Beginning Felting) Tiffany Shaw - Red.

Foods & Nutrition:

Food Prep Contest:
Meghan Faulk - Blue, Amie Graves - Res Champion & Blue.

Mini-Meal Contest:
Kristy McKee - Blue, Rosie Sharrard - Blue.

Foods Judging Contest:
Rosie Sharrard - Champion & Blue

Vegetable Exhibits:
Rosie Sharrard - Blue

Rabbit:
(Dwarf Hotot) Emilee Patterson - Red, (Showmanship) Emilee Patterson - Blue.

Dog:
(Showmanship) Crystal Horst - Blue.

Horse:

LEADER NEWS

Officer Election
It’s time to vote for new officers for the 4-H Leaders Association. All current leaders should vote. Ballots will be available at the quarterly meeting on October 18th and may be turned in until November 30th.

Leaders Association
The next 4-H Leaders Association meeting is Thursday, October 18, 2007 from 5:30 - 7:00 pm in the Ag Service Center Conference room. RSVP 963-1010.

State Development Committees
Members are needed on the state committees. See the interest form and brief committee description on pages 7 & 8.

Leader Survey
A statewide survey of 4-H leaders was mailed to a random sample of 534 4-H volunteers across Oregon. The survey’s were mailed in late August and should be returned to the state office by early September. Because the 4-H program in Oregon is delivered by over 5,000 trained adult volunteers who work directly with youth, the role of the 4-H leader is very important! As the world changes, so do the needs of the 4-H
leader. The purpose of this survey is twofold: 1) to conduct a needs assessment of volunteers related to access to computer technology and professional development needs; and 2) to gather information about 4-H volunteer satisfaction.

If you receive a survey in the mail we would greatly appreciate having your responses included in our results. Just complete the survey and return it in the envelope provided by September 7, 2007. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Arnold in the state 4-H office at (541) 737-1315 or by e-mail at mary.arnold@oregonstate.edu

Western Regional Leaders’ Forum
Prepare to be rejuvenated, gain new ideas, gather resources, and meet new friends. Participate in “Stampede to Idaho” at the 2008 Western Regional Leaders Forum, March 6-9, 2008 in Boise, ID. For more details check out their website: http://www.4h.uidaho.edu/index.htm or pick up a packet from the Extension Office.

Oregon Leaders Forum
Mark your calendars now for the 2008 Oregon Leaders’ Forum. The forum will be April 11-12 in Independence. The Leaders Association has scholarships to help with travel and registration fees. Contact the Extension Office for more details.

Parents Can Help
4-H parents can be a great asset and resource in your 4-H club. Here are some ideas that may encourage you and the parent to partner together.

To Gain Parent’s Cooperation:
• Visit the parents of your members
• Ask parents to help
• Praise and give thanks freely
• Help members to entertain parents
• Talk with parents about 4-H work

Parents Can Receive Satisfaction When They:
• See children grow from 4-H experiences
• Learn new skills and knowledge
• Meet new friends and families
• Contribute to the growth of others

Using Parent’s Skills:
• Supplements your abilities
• Provides varied and enriched activities
• Gives parents an opportunity to help in all phases of the program
• Gives parents an opportunity to learn about 4-H

What Parents Can Do:
• Hold meetings in their homes
• Help with project work
• Serve on Committees to help plan and conduct events
• Share special talents and skills
• Encourage record keeping
• Help members get to meetings

Methods To Recognize Parents:
• Give praise and say thank you
• Provide a public recognition of parent’s efforts
• Have a special event for parents
• Encourage members to recognize parent’s efforts

Leaders Need To Know:
• Physical and mental limitations and capabilities
• Social or religious habits which might influence programs
• Special abilities and interests
• Family situation
• Other demands on the member’s time

Older Youth News
Youth Needed on State Committees
Youth members are needed on the state committees. See the interest form and brief committee description on pages 7 & 8.

National Congress
Congratulations to Robert Hoadley for being selected to attend 4-H National Congress in Atlanta, GA in November.

EOLR-Governing Board
Eastern Oregon Leadership Retreat–Governing Board. Union County needs two GB members to represent us in planning the 2008 EOLR. If you are in the 10th - 12th grade and would like to be considered for the team, contact our office for an application or download it from our website http://extension.oregonstate.edu/union/4-H/forms. The deadline for applications is December 1st by 5:00 pm. This year’s Governing Board retreat is scheduled for January 20-21, 2008 in John Day. Also make plans to attend the EOLR 2008 which will be held March 15-16.

National 4-H Conference
Four older youth in the 10th - 12th grade from Ore-
Oregon will be selected to represent Oregon at the National 4-H Conference held in Washington D.C., March 29th - April 3rd, 2008. *(This is after spring break)* The cost to attend is $200. Applications are due to the state 4-H office by November 1st. This is an excellent opportunity for building a higher level of leadership skills. For more information or an application contact our office or go to the 4-H forms website at [http://extension.oregonstate.edu/union/4-H/forms](http://extension.oregonstate.edu/union/4-H/forms).

**Livestock News**

**Beef Weigh-In**

January 5th is the official date for weighing your market steer if you want to compete in the Fastest Gaining Steer Contest and for the Allied Beef Industry Award at EOLS. Bring your animals to the Intermountain Livestock Yard at 10:00 am and they will be weighed and ear tagged for the contests.

**Horse News**

**Horse Leaders Meeting**

The next horse leaders meeting will be October 18th at 7 pm in the Ag Service Center conference room, immediately following the quarterly Leaders Association meeting. Remember to RSVP, 963-1010.

**PNW 4-H Horse Leaders Forum**

This will be a comprehensive training focusing on the 4-H Horse Project. To be held at the Deschutes County Fair & Expo Center in Redmond on October 27-28, 2007.

The forum is designed for current and perspective 4-H Horse leaders, but parents, agents, and teen leaders will also find the sessions informative and helpful.

The registration fee of $35 includes lunch and dinner on Saturday, plus a resource notebook sponsored in part by a grant from Monsanto.

Registrations are **due in the State 4-H Office by October 15, 2007**. The registration form, schedule and maps are available on the website [http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/programs/events/HorseLeaderForum/horseLeaderForum.htm](http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/programs/events/HorseLeaderForum/horseLeaderForum.htm).

**Home Ec News**

**Clothing on the Road**

Leaders plan on attending the “Clothing on the Road” workshop on Saturday, October 6th from 9 am - 3 pm in the Ag Service Center Conf Rm.

Elaine Schrumpf and Mona Easley, from the state office, will be presenting the changes made to the clothing project.

Lunch is available for $5 a person and will be provided by the Collage Closet 4-H club. Please RSVP by September 28th. *(see flyer on page 6)*

**Home Ec Leaders Meeting**

The next Home Ec leaders meeting is scheduled for October 16th at 5:30 pm in the Ag Service Ctr Conf Rm. Please RSVP, 963-1010.

**Make It Yourself with Wool**

It is time to start planning for the 2007 Make it Yourself with Wool Contest. Oregon’s contest will be held on Saturday, December 8, 2007 in Cottage Grove, OR. All contest winners, (Junior-age 13-16; and Senior-age 17-24), will receive an all expense paid trip to compete in the National Make it Yourself with Wool Finals sponsored by the American Sheep Industry Women in January 2008. Please contact the Extension Office for official entry forms and more information. Entry deadline November 16th.

**Dog News**

The Muddy Paws and Elgin 4-H Dog Clubs had another good showing at the Union County Fair. Several participants were eligible for state but only one was able to attend. Crystal Horst went to state and did very well (in the Top 10) among the HUGE number of participants.

Muddy Paws finished off the summer with a Picnic and round of Putt-Putt Golf in early September. The Club will be gearing up to begin training and meetings in October. Muddy Paws is hoping to work with Elgin and any new clubs to host a Fun Match this Spring. As always we are looking for new leaders, co-leaders and members. Contact the 4-H Office.
Clothing on the Road
Coming Fall 2007 ~ to a site near you

Elaine Schrumpf
4-H Extension Specialist

Mona Easley
4-H Program Coordinator

We’ll be touring again to bring leaders the latest on changes to the 4-H Sewing/Clothing project. Choose a location and join the learning and fun!!

• Get the most from the Sewing/Clothing project
• Project and exhibit class changes – bring your copy of the leader guide
• Resource updates
• Take home project ideas for every level
• Hands for Larger Service suggestions and inspiration
• Creativity and Embellishment
• Judging Contests - building on decision making
• and more

Call the site you will attend to register, get directions and make lunch arrangements. One week prior notice needed for lunch.

LaGrande 10507 N McAlister Rd  541-963-1010
Saturday Oct 6, 2007 ~ 9 am to 3pm
Lunch available to purchase – registration needed 1 week prior to event

Salem 3180 Center St NE  503-588-5302
Saturday Oct 13, 2007 ~ 9 am to 3 pm
Lunch available to purchase – registration needed 1 week prior to event

Redmond 3893 SW Airport Way  541-548-6088
Saturday Oct 27, 2007 ~ 9 am to 4 pm
Materials and lunch at this site will be sponsored by
Monsanto and National 4-H Council
Registration for lunch needed one week prior to the event

Grants Pass 215 Ringette St  541-476-6613
Saturday Nov 3, 2007 ~ 9 am to 3 pm
Lunch available to purchase – registration needed 1 week prior to event
State 4-H Youth Development Committees

Thank you for your interest in serving the State 4-H Youth Development program. Your willingness to review programs and make recommendations that impact all 4-H youth is appreciated. To be effective, every state committee needs diverse perspectives; therefore to gain broad representation, you may be asked to serve on just one committee. The term of membership on each committee will vary. The number of meetings, length and location will vary also. See the committee descriptions for more details. If any member is unable to attend meetings or provide input regularly, another representative may be invited to fill that committee position.

Name: ____________________________________________ Date ________________________

Email: ___________________________________________ County _______________________

Phone #: ___________________ Alternate Phone #: ___________ Year in school (youth) _______

Address __________________________________________ City ___________________ Zip ___________

Role (leader, member, parent, agent, other): ___________________________ Years in this role: ______

Please rank committee(s) you are interested in serving on (eg.1, 2, 3, 4). You will be contacted after the committee selection deadlines listed below. Committees accept applications on an ongoing basis however priority deadlines are listed below.

Deadline Oct. 15

_____ Horse  _____ Livestock  _____ Dog

_____ Small Animal  _____ Leaders’ Assoc. Executive Council

_____ Know Your State Government  _____ Oregon 4-H Foundation  _____ Summer Conference

Deadline Feb. 1

_____ State Fair Board of Trustees  _____ Science, Engineering, and Technology

_____ Natural Sciences  _____ Expressive Arts  _____ Home Economics

Please write a brief response to each of these questions.

What project areas are you familiar with?

What experiences have you had that might be an asset to this/these committee(s)?

Why would you like to serve on this/these committee(s)?
State 4-H Youth Development Committees

**Expressive Arts Development Committee** (Elaine Schrumpf)
Meets once a year in the fall for 1/2 day – full day.

**Home Economics Development Committee** (Elaine Schrumpf)
Meets once a year in the fall for 1/2 day – full day

**Natural Science Development Committee** (Virginia Bourdeau)
Meets annually in September at Extension conference when possible and at Spring Staff Development Conference as needed.

**Dog Development Committee** (Vicki Avery)
Meets in the fall and in the spring (if needed) for a full day.

**Livestock Development Committee** (Vicki Avery)
Meets in the fall and in the spring (if needed) for a full day.

**Small Animal Development Committee** (Vicki Avery)
Meets in the fall and in the spring.

**Horse Development Committee** (Roberta Lundeberg)
The committee meets twice a year, in the spring and in the fall.

**4-H Know Your State Government Planning Committee** (Marilyn Lesmeister)
Meets approximately once a month Nov – April for about one hour by phone.

**4-H Summer Conference Planning Committee** (Roberta Lundeberg/Helen Pease)
Meets approximately once a month Dec – June for about one hour by phone, polycom, or in person.

**Oregon 4-H Leaders’ Association Executive Council** (Marilyn Lesmeister/Mona Easley)
Meets in the spring and the fall at the 4-H Center outside Salem.

**4-H State Fair Board of Trustees** (Mona Easley/Vicki Avery/Roberta Lundeberg)
Meetings are held in the spring and fall in Salem.

**Oregon 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees** (Alberta Johnston)
Meets twice a year, usually the first weekend of February and the last weekend of July.

For more information on a specific committee please contact the committee information sheet or the State 4-H staff person whose name is listed next to the c
Calendar of Events
September 2007–July 2008

September
24    Ambassador Meeting ~ 6 pm

October
1     Nominations due for State 4-H Leader of the Year
6     Clothing on the Road Workshop ~ 9 am - 3 pm
7     Recognition Dinner ~ 5 pm
7-13  National 4-H Week
15    Registration deadline for Horse Leaders Forum
16    Home Ec Leaders Meeting ~ 5:30 pm
       Livestock Leaders Meeting ~ 7 pm
18    4-H Leaders Association Quarterly Meeting ~ 5:30 pm
       Horse Leaders Meeting ~ 7 pm
22-26  Carole out of office
27-28  State Horse Leaders Forum
29    Ambassador Meeting
31    Carole Staff Chair Meeting (Corvallis)

November
1     Carole Staff Chair Meeting (Corvallis)
2-7   National Congress
22-23  Thanksgiving Holiday (office closed)
26    Ambassador Meeting

December
3-7   Extension Annual Conference (all staff at Corvallis)
24-25  Christmas Holiday (office closed)
31    Ambassador Meeting

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January
3-6   Western National 4-H Horse Classic (Denver)
5     EOLS weigh-in
11-12  Carole out (Redmond)
Applications due for Japan exchange
Quarterly 4-H Leaders Association Meeting ~ 11:30 am - 1 pm
EOLR Governing Board retreat
Ambassador Meeting

**February**
25  ambassador Meeting

**March**
6-9  Western Regional Leaders Forum (Boise)
15-16  Annual 4-H Radio Auction
        Eastern Oregon Leadership Retreat
23  Easter
24-28  Spring Break
31  Ambassador Meeting

**April**
TBA  Know Your State Government
14-18  Extension Annual Spring Training
28-30  State 4-H Staff Development

**May**
11  Mother’s Day
15  EOLS entry deadline
26  Memorial Day (office closed)

**June**
2-8  Eastern Oregon Livestock Show
25-28  Summer Conference

**July**
4  4th of July (office closed)
15  Union County Fair entry deadline
Club News

Club Financial Reports Due
The 4-H Leaders Association is required to submit to the state an account of all money earned in the name of 4-H. Even if you have not earned any money in your club, you still need to turn in the form to the Extension Office. Forms will be mailed in December to primary club leaders and are available from the 4-H forms website at http://extension.oregonstate.edu/union/4-H/forms.

New Club
Its time to start NOW no waiting for crazy crocheters Britney Shaw wants you to know that there is a new crochet club opening very soon. And its her very own!!! She will be holding meeting at her house two times a month and promises that it will be a Crazy Time!!! So put you applications as soon as possible.
Submitted by Britney Shaw