

4-H News & Notes



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In this month's newsletter each family is receiving a copy of the current 4-H Clover publication. This is a state publication issued each year which describes each project area, the publications that are available and highlights all the opportunities available to older youth and adults. We hope you will take time to read it. There is *lots* of good information. If you are missing any of the publications listed in your project areas, please stop by the office and pick up a copy.

Also in the newsletter is a list of all the traditional 4-H events for the coming year. You can see there is lots to be involved in outside of your project area. We also have additional workshops being planned such as Junior Leader Training, Recordbook Workshops and more. We will notify you when dates are scheduled. Good luck with your projects this year and HAVE FUN!!!

Carole Smith
Union Co 4-H Agent

GENERAL NEWS

Enrollment



The new 4-H year began October 1 and all 4-H clubs need to re-enroll their leaders and members. All club leaders should bring in their completed enrollment packet. 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, 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 that they have an application form on file with our office and they have completed their "New Leader Training."

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Stampin Up Bags & Tags Workshop

Wallowa county 4-H agent Debi Schreiber is having a Stampin Up Bags & Tags Workshop. She will have all the supplies for the Christmas bags and tags. The workshop will be **December 4, 2004 2-4 pm at the Ag Service Center Conference room**. There will be a \$5.00 charge per person at the door to help off set the cost of the supplies. There is limited space available so reserve your spot early. The deadline is December 2, 2004.

EOLS/UCF Checks



All EOLS and UCF premium checks must be picked up by December 31, 2004 or they will be returned to the the 4-H Leaders Association.

Resource Materials

When planning your 4-H meetings, remember our resource library has quality assurance kits. These have countless lessons available for use. We also have videos and other publications for you to check out.

New Cavy Materials

A new 4-H Cavy Project Leader Guide is available at the Extension Office. Even though this is a leader guide, it has many pages that may be duplicated for member materials.



Hall of Fame

This year Oregon established a 4-H Hall of Fame to recognize individuals that have had a significant impact on the 4-H Program and/or its members and leaders. One hundred people will be inducted in 2004 - one person for each year 4-H has existed in the State of Oregon. Recipients were honored on September 24th at a luncheon in Corvallis.

Five outstanding 4-H supporters from Union County were among those selected for the Hall of Fame. They include: James Huber, Union Co 4-H agent 1947-1983; Ralph Hart, Union Co Livestock agent 1969-1989; Clayton Fox, 4-H

benefactor; Roy Hamilton, 4-H agent 1983-1999; Bob & Bobbie Cornford, tireless volunteers. All of these wonderful have greatly impacted the Union County 4-H program and we can't thank them enough.

Recognition Dinner

The annual Recognition Dessert was held on Sunday, October 10th. Many members, parents and leaders were present to celebrate a great year in 4-H and to recognize individuals for their accomplishments. This year's event was organized by the Union County Ambassadors with the guidance of Georgia McKee. The room was decorated in a "Happy Birthday" theme, to celebrate 100 years of 4-H in Oregon.



Union County Leader of the Year

This year's 4-H leader of the year is Elaine La Rochelle. Elaine has accomplished a great deal in a short period of time. She jumped in as a new leader 5 years ago and hasn't slowed down yet.

Elaine has spent the last two years developing a website and database for leaders and staff to enter show entries on-line as well as providing hours of donated time in computer support and data entry.

Since her hours of donated time are too numerous to count we can only say, Thank You!

Meritorious Service Award winners

Each year the 4-H Leaders Association recognizes three outstanding individuals and/or businesses who have made significant contributions to the 4-H program. This years Meritorious Service Award winners are:

Christine Sams - Winner's Circle

Dave Billings - Action Plumbing

Ken & Jeanette Knott

Thank You for all you do!

County Medal of Merit Awards

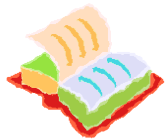
These awards were given to individual members based on their completed record books and their outstanding achievements during the year. Keeping detailed and accurate records is important if members are wanting to compete for these awards.



This year's recipients were:

Clothing & Textile:	Ruthie Gerber
Community Service:	Nikkita Cornford
Citizenship & Community:	Elisha Gerber
Leadership:	Kelli Jo McKee
Horse:	Tessa Johnson
Achievement:	Jenny Bartell

Record Book Contest winners



Congratulations to all record book contest participants. This years Champion and Reserve Champion awards went to:

<u>Champion</u>	<u>Reserve Champion</u>	
Jenny Bartell	Elisha Gerber	Senior
Kelli Jo McKee	Tessa Johnson	Int
Emilee Patterson	Ariana Snow	Junior

The following record books need to be picked up from the Extension Office

2004

James Dyke	Felicia Pierce
Athena Pierce	Alayna Porter
Briell Porter	Kalea Porter
Kate Stewart	Sabrina Wyllie

2003

Devon Bonney	Tami Gillies
Karena Grove	Haley Larsen
Kylie Leavitt	Shelbi Williams

4-H Materials Go On-Line

4-H records are available to download or print on your computer at
([http://esc.oregonstate.edu/agcomwebfile/EdMa](http://esc.oregonstate.edu/agcomwebfile/EdMatIndex4H.html)

t/EdmatIndex4H.html). In fact, many materials soon will be available only from the web. On-line publications are in Adobe Acrobat PDF Materials. *In order to read or print them, you need to download the free Adobe Acrobat Reader (<http://www.adobe.com>).*

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.



LEADER OPPORTUNITIES

Home Ec Leaders Meeting

Mark your calendars for the Home Ec leaders meeting November 30 at 6:00 pm. Come to the Ag Service Center Conference Room prepared to finalize the Union County Fair Home Contest protocols. Please RSVP.

New Leader Training Scheduled

If you are a new 4-H leader and have not attended a "New Leader Training," mark your calendar for Wednesday, December 1, 6pm in the Ag Service Center Conference Room.

State law requires that all new volunteers complete a 2 hour orientation prior to being approved as a 4-H leader. Please call the Extension Office to sign up for the training so that we can set up a notebook for you, 963-1010.



WANTED New Leaders for:

Dogs
Fly Tying
Photography
Outdoor Recreation
Shooting Sports
Adventures

4-H Leaders Association Meeting

The next meeting of the 4-H Leaders Association will be held on Thursday, January 13th at 11:30 am. The meeting will be held in the Conference Room at the Ag Service Center. Please RSVP.

Western Regional Leaders Forum 2005

Western Regional Leaders Forum will be held in Sacramento, California, February 23-27, 2005. Complete registration packets are available at the Extension Office. There are some exciting classes and tour opportunities. Early bird registration is \$265 (deadline is December 1, 2004 at our office). Next registration deadline is January 6, 2005 the fee is \$295.



A Beacon of Light into the Future

2005 Oregon Leaders Forum

Mark your calendars for the 2005 Oregon Leaders' Forum, April 8-9 in Lincoln City. Workshop proposals are due January 15. Be thinking of what you could share with other leaders around the state.

For more information or a workshop submission form for the leader forum activities, contact the Extension Office.

OLDER YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES

4-H Scholarship to Honor Jim Rutledge

The Oregon 4-H Foundation has announced that it will offer a \$1,000 college scholarship in 2005, 2006, and 2007 to honor and recognize Dr. Jim Rutledge who will retire as the State 4-H Program leader at the end of the year. The scholarship will be awarded to a 4-H member planning to attend Oregon State University. Application will be through the State 4-H Resume process, and counties will be allowed to nominate two seniors who meet the eligibility requirements for the scholarship. Complete

information on the scholarship requirements and application requirements are available at <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/programs/State%20Scholarships.htm>.

Youth Council

Have you ever wanted to be more involved in the 4-H program? Have you ever thought about taking a leadership role in your county and state but just didn't know how? If yes, now is your opportunity because the Oregon 4-H Youth Council is for you! The Youth Council is a group of active 4-H members from all around the state that are dedicated to organizing the annual 4-H Summer Conference as well as continually promoting the 4-H program through presentations, websites, and speeches. In organizing the Summer Conference event, members are asked to plan the entertainment and conference shirts, help speak and present at all of the 4-H sessions, and much more. This excited, great group of young adults is interested in bringing in new members to help in their endeavors and invite willing 4-H members to join the Youth Council today!

If you are interested call the Extension Office for more information.

Kaci Sintek
State Youth Council

4-H Japanese Exchange - Outbound Programs

Since 1972 more than 6,000 teenagers have participated in the 4-H Japanese Exchange Outbound Program. The outbound exchange provides Oregon teenagers with opportunity to travel to Japan as part of a fully chaperoned program. This program offers a great deal more than a trip to Japan. Participants live with a local family and experience a world that tourists never see. They share everyday life and activities and meet relatives and friends in the community.

The four-week program runs from mid-July to mid-August. Any 4-H'er, ages 12 to 18, who has an interest in learning about another country and

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experiencing a different culture is eligible to apply. More information is available at the Extension Office.

One-year Internships to Japan are available for high school graduates as well as chaperone opportunities for adults.

Resume Workshop for Scholarships

If you are planning on applying for scholarships in the next few years, now is the time to start preparing your resume. This resume is also required for competing for National 4-H Congress. A workshop is scheduled for January 13, 2005 at 7:00 p.m in the Ag Service Conference Room. The workshop is open to 9th - 12th grade 4-H members. Call the Extension Office to reserve your place. Supplies to bring will be an empty notebook, 4-H records, and pen or pencil.

Saturday Academy



Saturday Academy's Apprenticeships in Science and Engineering (ASE) Program has outstanding region-wide opportunities available to students. Through the ASE Program, high school students participate in apprenticeships with scientists, engineers and other technical professionals for eight weeks during the summer. Participants in the ASE Program receive a \$1,000 stipend and, depending on the high school, academic credit for the experience. The ASE Program is open to current freshmen, sophomores and juniors. Application packets are available at the Extension Office, application deadline January 20.

LIVESTOCK NEWS

State Fair adds Market Classes

Oregon State Fair will be adding a market beef, sheep and goat class to the 2005 fair. Guidelines and rules will be available in the near future. Here is a summary of state fair market classes:

Project	Gender	Min weight	Max weight	Ideal weight
Beef	Steers only	1000 lbs.	No max	1100-1300 lbs.
Sheep	Wethers or ewe lambs	100 lbs	No max	120-140 lbs
Swine	Barrows or gilts	220 lbs	280 lbs	240-260 lbs
Meat Goats	Wethers or does	60 lbs	No max	

Livestock Judging



The 2005 State Livestock Judging Contest will again be at the Linn County Fairgrounds, in conjunction with the LBCC Judging Clinic. This contest is in July which comes early in the year, so if you want to make the state judging team, start practicing now. Top scoring individuals from the 2004 EOLS, UCF, and 2005 spring judging tour combined will determine this years teams.

Beef Weigh-In

January 8, 2005 is the official date for weighing your market steer if you want to compete in the Fastest Gaining Steer contest at EOLS. Bring your animals to the Intermountain Livestock Yard at 10:00 am and they will be weighed and ear tagged for the contest. The steer that gains the most weight between this date and weigh-in at EOLS wins a trophy.

Ewephoric! Announces 1st Annual Photo Contest

Ewephoric! is looking for talented photographers for their first annual Sheep Photo Contest. There is NO entry fee and the grand prize will be a new digital camera. Second prize is a \$100 gift certificate to the Ewephoric! gifts website and third prize a \$50 gift certificate. Subject matter must depict sheep or the sheep industry in some way



The contest is open to all ages. There is a limit of two entries per person. For more information and entry form call 1-800-742-5510 or log on to the website: www.ewephoric.com. Deadline for the contest is December 15, 2004.

HORSE NEWS

Horse Committee

The State Horse Development Committee is looking for four new members to serve 3 year terms. If anyone is interested the application is on-line at <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/resources/pdf/animalsciCommitteeNominationForm.pdf> or available at Union County Extension. If you have any questions or want additional information about the committee please contact Union County Extension. Applications must be to the state 4-H office by December 1, 2004.



Jumping clinic schedule

There is still room for horse members interested in participating in the jumping clinics. Clinics are held every Saturday at 9:00 am, at Wind Whistle Arena. The charge is \$5 per participant.

HOME EC NEWS

Oregon Make It Yourself With Wool

The 57th annual Oregon, "Make It Yourself With Wool Contest," will be held at the Hood River Inn in Hood River, Oregon on Saturday, December 11, 2004. To enter the contest you had to be entered in the fashion/wool category at this past county fair. Entry deadline is November 26th, forms are available at the Extension Office.



Sewing/Knitting supplies

The Extension office received a very generous donation of sewing/knitting supplies. Members and leaders are welcome to come in and take whatever they can use. Items will be given on a first come first serve basis.



Union County Fair Gifts

Several Home Economic contest awards from the Fair still need to be picked up. The following members need to pick up their gifts from the Extension Office; Ruth Overlock and Crista Bomberger. These gifts will be available until December 31, 2004.

Food Preservation

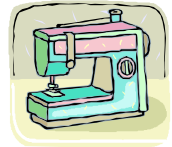


All food preservation project materials have been revised. These materials are available at the Extension Office or online at

<http://eesc.oregonstate.edu/agcomwebfile/EdMat/EdmatIndex4H.html>.

FREE

Pam Canavan has a sewing machine, that she would like to give to a 4-H member. Contact her at 663-8826



DOG NEWS

New Dog materials

In an effort to update dog project information, the state 4-H office is working with the AKC to utilize two of their publications for resource materials. They recommend "Dog Care and Training," second edition and also the "Complete Dog Book for Kids." The following publications will be discontinued in the near future, Grooming Dogs (4-H 1207) and Care of Dogs and Puppies (4-H 1208).



The state office is also re-writing the obedience project book, Open Dog Obedience (4-H 1215) to reflect changes in the score sheet.

LOST & FOUND

If you lost anything during a 4-H event this year please come into the Extension Office to see if we have it.
All items will be donated to the Salvation Army after December 15, 2004.

2004-2005 4-H Events

Month	Event	Leaders	JR	INT	SR	Project Area
October	Halloween Party	x	x	x	x	All
October	4-H Showcase		x	x	x	All
November	National Congress				x	Select
December	County Horse Bowl		x	x	x	Horse & All
January	Beef Weigh-in Day	x	x	x	x	Beef
January	Resume Training			x	x	All
January	EOLR Governing Board				x	Select
February	Survivor Camp			x	x	All
February	Regional Horse Bowl			x	x	Horse
February	Western Regional Leaders Forum	x			x	All
March	Eastern Oregon Leadership Retreat			x	x	All
March	Annual Radio Auction	x	x	x	x	All
April	Oregon Leaders Forum	x				All
April	Horse Playday	x	x	x	x	Horse
April	Home Ec Workshops	x	x	x	x	Foods
April	Horse Classic			x	x	Horse
April	Livestock Judging	x	x	x	x	Livestock
April/May	Counselor Training			x	x	All
May	Know Your State Government			x	x	All
June	Eastern Oregon Livestock Show	x	x	x	x	Livestock/Horse
June	OSU Summer Week			x	x	All
June	State Ambassador			x	x	Select
July	Tri-County 4-H Camp		x	x		All
July	Jumping Clinics	x	x	x	x	Horse
August	Horse Camp	x	x	x	x	Horse
August	Union County Fair	x	x	x	x	All
Aug/Sept	State Fair		x	x	x	Select
August	Record Book Contest		x	x	x	All
September	Recognition Dinner	x	x	x	x	All



Calendar of Events

November 2004 - August 2005



November

25-26 Thanksgiving Holiday (Office Closed)
30 Home Ec Project Leaders Meeting 6:00 pm

December

1 New leader training 6:00 pm
4 Stampin Up Bags & Tags Workshop
6 Union County Fair Board Meeting 7:00 pm
8-9 OSUEA Board Meeting - Salem (Carole)
14 EOLS Meeting 7:00 pm
15-17 Staff Chair Leadership Conf - Corvallis (Carole)
23-24 Christmas Holiday (Office closed)
31 New Year's Holiday (Office Closed)

2005

January

6 Horse Leaders Meeting 6:00 pm
8 Beef weigh-in for EOLS 10:00 am
13 4-H Leaders' Assoc Mtg 11:30 am - 1:30 pm
4-H Resume Workshop 7:00 pm
16-17 EOLR Governing Board Retreat - John Day
17 Martin Luther King Day (Office Closed)
20 Saturday Academy application deadline

February

7 Union County Fair Board Meeting 7:00 pm
8 EOLS Meeting 7:30 pm
14 Extension Annual Reports due in Corvallis (Carole)
23-25 Western Regional Leader Forum - Sacramento
25-26 Survivor Camp

March

5-6 Annual Radio Auction
18-20 Eastern Oregon Leadership Retreat (Wallowa Co)
29 State Livestock Development Meeting

April

2-3 Shooting Sports Training - La Grande
8-9 Oregon Leaders Forum - Lincoln City
14-16 Know Your State Government
16 Spring Livestock Judging Tour - Intermountain Livestock
18 Camp Counselor Training 7:00 pm
22-23 Spring Horse Classic - Redmond
25-28 4-H Staff Development Conference (Carole)

May

7

13-14

16

State Dairy Judging Contest
Camp Counselor Training (overnight)
EOLS Entries due

June

4

6-12

20

22-25

EOLS clean up day
EOLS
4-H Camp Registration due
4-H Summer Conference - Corvallis

July

5-8

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15

4-H Camp
State Livestock Judging Contest - Albany
Union County Fair Entries due

August

1-6

25 - Sept 5

Union County Fair
State Fair

ATTENTION LEADERS!

4-H Source Book Order

Would you like to place an order from the 4-H Source Book. The Extension Office is willing to help coordinate an order so you can split the cost of shipping with other leaders. We have the 2005 book come in and take a look at it.