Furlough Days, Office Closed
Due to state budget cuts the Wallowa County OSU Extension Office will be closed for the following furlough days:
February 19th, March 26th, April 23rd, May 14, 2010

4-H Fund Raising
Just a reminder to all clubs that they must fill out a fundraising proposal BEFORE they conduct a fundraiser in the name of 4-H. These forms can be found in your New Leader Notebook or you can pick one up at the Extension Office. Now more than ever, it is important that we know about these fundraisers so they can be added to our 4-H Fundraising Liability Insurance. Our general liability insurance does not cover fund raising events so the Leaders Association has purchased insurance that will address these events, but we must know about them at least a week ahead in order to let our insurance company know about them.

Chaperones for Overnight 4-H Programs
Who is a chaperone? Someone who is an approved volunteer over 21 and is assigned the responsibility to provide supervision during an overnight, statewide or out-of-state experience. Chaperones have equal status to supervise youth and take responsibility during an emergency.

- 1 adult chaperone to 10 participants
- It is in our strongly suggested to have at least 2 chaperones for any trip. This would protect us if there was an emergency that took one of the adults full attention. Adults who are not yet 21 can play an important, but limited chaperone role.

Please contact Debi at the Extension office if you would like to discuss chaperone policies. Risk management procedures serve to protect everyone...youth, volunteers, staff and the organization.

Interest Bearing Accounts
If you are using your own social security number on a 4-H interest bearing account, you should contact the Extension Office. The proper way to open an account is to use the 4-H tax-exempt ID number, and when the bank reports interest income, you won’t be responsible for claiming it. By using your own SSN, you must show this as your own income. All club accounts should use the Extension Office mailing address as the permanent address. When statements come, they will be forwarded to the leader.

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4-H Leaders Association

The 4-H Leaders Association is the group that gives direction to the 4-H Program in Wallowa County and supports the educational efforts. The Executive Board officers and Area Representatives are the people that vote on issues, however all members are welcome to attend and give input. The next Executive Board meeting will be: Thursday, March 11th at 6:30 pm.

Officers and Representatives:
President: Tami Wightman
Vice-President: Carl McFetridge
Secretary: Jill Arbogast
Treasurer: Cynthia Warnock

Area Representatives:
Dog: Karen Rinehart
Home Ec: Connie Jenkins
Leadership: Eileen Williams
Horse: Robin Lewis
Livestock: Randy Garnett
Beef: Perry & Donna Mae Johnston & Bobbie Baker
Sheep: Debbie Gilbert
Swine: Bud Botts
Small Animals: Kathy Vernam
Arts & Science: Gina Birkmaier
Natural Science: Dick Stangel

Youth Representatives: 4-H Court, or other interested youth.

Upcoming First Aid Classes
It is recommended that all 4-H Leaders be First Aid and CPR certified. If you attend the training and bring your receipt into the office, you will be reimbursed for the fee. Here are a list of classes being offered:
For the following times, call Joyce Himes to register @ 426-6435. Cost is $35.00
Feb 18th (Thursday)
March 18th (Thursday)
April 15th (Thursday)
May 3rd (Monday)
June 10th (Thursday)
These classes are offered through Wallowa Memorial Hospital. Call 426-3111 to register. $35 fee.
April 3rd (Saturday)
July 10th (Saturday)

Next 4-H Shooting Sports Training, April 16-18
The next Master 4-H Shooting Sports Leader training will be in Grants Pass. You must have completed the full county enrollment process, including the background check, prior to attending this state training. Shooting Sports include: Archery, Rifle, Shotgun, & Hunting. There must be a trained leader present at each meeting. If interested, please let Debi know. Registrations due March 31st.

There is also a training available in Coeur d’Alene Idaho April 24-25, 2010.

Youth Opportunities

4-H Urban Exchange
April 21-25, youth in grades 6-9 will have the opportunity to travel to Portland as a Rural to Urban Exchange Student. Participating youth will have the chance to live and attend school with urban Portland youth and learn how Oregonians in the urban areas are working to balance their social, economic and environmental needs. We would travel to Portland on Wednesday, with stops at educational sites along the way. Thursday youth would attend a 4-H Youth Sustainability Conference focused on the state and local legislative process. Friday, youth will attend the Sunnyside Environmental Middle School (grades 6-9). Saturday will include a day of touring Portland by foot, bike, canoes, trams and trains. Cost will be $49. Applications due March 1st. Contact the Extension Office for more information and applications.

Eastern Oregon Leadership Retreat
April 16-18, 2010
On the road...Stay in Arlington and at the Portland Zoo
Registration Due March 19th
4-H Camp Counselors Needed

The 4-H Summer Camp in Summerville will be July 6-9 for youth in grades 4-7.

4-Hers in grades 8-12 are needed to serve as Camp Counselors. The training dates for counselors will be:
   April 19, 7-9 pm
   May 15-16, 4 pm – 11 am
   June 21, 7-9 pm.
If you are interested in being a counselor next summer, please let Debi know.

4-H Summer Conference at OSU, June 23-26, 2010
Each summer, Oregon State University hosts a summer conference for members through 7—12th grade. The camp consists of many exciting and informative classes and workshops taught by OSU faculty and community volunteers.
These workshops will cover everything from leadership, to projects such as livestock or technology, to activities that are offered through 4-H. The 4-H Summer Conference will be held June 23-26, 2010. Registration begins May 3rd. The registration fee is $200. Half of this fee will be reimbursed following the conference. Contact the office for registration materials.

Other Opportunities Available.
We are lucky to have so many opportunities for youth to be a part of that we seem to have run out of space to print all the exciting details. Following are a list of what is currently available. If one of these sound like something you would be interested in attending please call the Extension Office for more information.

4-H Performing Arts Camp, March 22-25
There will be a Performing Arts Camp on March 22-25 at the Oregon 4-H Center in Salem. This camp is for 7th-12th graders. Cost is $200 per camper if registration received by Feb. 15. $225 per camper if registration received between Feb. 16-Mar. 1. Cost is $250 per camper if registration received after Mar. 1.

Activate Oregon – Youth Summit 2010, March 28-30
The Activate Oregon Youth Summit will be held in Portland for youth ages 13-19. Register by March 19th.

Pickle Canning Workshop, June 16
Held in Wallowa County this workshop is open to youth and adults. Register by June 9th.

Natural Resource 4-H Science Camp June 15-18, 2010. The camp is located in Logan Valley at the base of the Strawberry Mountains in Grant County. Northwest youth who have completed the 6th grade through the 12th grade may attend.

Outdoors Skills Rendezvous, July 20-24
at the 4-H Center in Salem for youth in grades 8-12. Register by May 1st.

ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp, August 2-13, 2010
The State 4-H Office is inviting Oregon middle school students entering grades 6, 7, and 8 to apply to attend. The application deadline is Friday, April 16.
Horse

4-H Gaming Clinic, March 14th
There will be a 4-H Gaming Clinic, March 14th in the indoor arena at the fairgrounds, taught by 4-H Leader, Kit Makin. We will learn the patterns and techniques for Poles, Figure 8, Barrels, NSCA Flags, and Key Race. (Intermediates and seniors can qualify for state fair in all of these games) Intermediates & Seniors from 9:00 am - Noon and First Year Jr. and Juniors from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm. We will be working at a walk or trot while indoors. Registration fee will be $15, scholarships available. Please sign up by March 5th.

Trail Clinic with Vixen Radford
April 10, cost $15

Vixen will teach a trail clinic on April 10th at the indoor arena. She will work with Juniors from 9 a.m. -- noon, and Intermediates and Seniors from 1-- 4 p.m. Please register and pay the $15 fee by April 2nd.

Horse Classics,
April 23-25 in Redmond
Horse Classics is an opportunity for the Intermediate and Senior Wallowa County 4-H horse members to compete with their horse knowledge. Some contest have selection processes and some you can volunteer for. Members that have qualified for Presentation and Judging will be getting a letter. The following contests take place at Horse Classics
- **Presentation** (selection by 2009 Spring Fair Judge)
- **Public Speaking** (contact Debi if interested)
- **Horse Judging** (selection by 2009 Contest results: Spring Judging, EOLS, and Wallowa County Fair Horse Judging contests.)

Wallowa Mt. Open Horse Show

Save these dates: June 26 & July 17. Look for more information in future newsletters. To volunteer to help with one or both of these shows, please call Debi @ 426-3143.

June 27th Clinic, Julie Singer, cost $15
Julie Singer will be a judge at fair this year so this is your chance to work with her before fair.

9 a.m.—noon Juniors—Showmanship and Equitation of choice.
1 p.m.—4 p.m. Intermediates & Seniors—Equitation and Dad Potter.

Call the Extension Office to Register by June 18th.
Archery

Oregon 4-H Archery Mail-in Tournament for November 09
Congratulations to all who participated. Archery members have the opportunity to send in their scores for a monthly state-wide tournament. The results of the Oregon 4-H Archery Mail-in Tournaments for November are in and the placing of the Whitetail Legends 4-H club is as follows:

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Livestock

Market Animal Weigh-In Dates

**BEEF:** Saturday, March 6th, 8 a.m.—noon at:
- Perry Johnston’s in Wallowa
- Larry McFetridge Ranch in Enterprise
- Imnaha & North End-make arrangements

All beef must have a state brand inspection E-slip at the time of weigh in.

**SWINE:** Saturday, May 1st, 8 a.m.—11 a.m. at fairgrounds in Enterprise.
- Potluck BBQ follows weigh-in. Judging after BBQ.

**SHEEP:** Saturday, June 5th, 8 a.m.—11 a.m. at the Fairgrounds.
- All lambs must have scrapie tags at weigh-in.

New Rules for Market Beef
All beef weighed in for the Wallowa County Fair Fat Stock sale will be required to have a state brand inspection e-slip from the producer signing over ownership of the steer to the exhibitor at the time the steer is originally weighed in. This is a requirement from the state Brand Inspection Service. E-slips will be available at the scales on March 6th. This is a requirement, you must have this to be able to sell your steer at fair time. There will be no exceptions.

EOLS Possession Dates
If you are going to take a market animal to this years’ Eastern Oregon Livestock Show June 9-12, the possession dates and weight requirement at the time of show are as follows:

- Market Steers—February 9th (1000 lb. minimum)
- Market Lambs—April 11th (100 lb. minimum)
- Market Swine—April 11th (230 lb. minimum)

Exhibitors may weigh in three animals but can only take one to EOLS.

Keep your Eyes Open

We are hiding a symbol in each newsletter. See if you can find it then call the Extension Office, 426-3143, when you do. We will draw a winner from those who found the symbol. The winner will receive a certificate for an ice cream. The winner from the October newsletter was Darby Gassett. Her certificate will be mailed to her.

Thank you to Video Buffs for donating the ice cream certificate.

In honor of Food Drive month look for this can. Call by February 22nd to let us know where you found the symbol.
**Livestock...continued**

**COOL Regulations Affect Livestock Members**

A reminder that the USDA requires COOL (Country of Origin Labeling) affidavit forms for all market animals. Each member in the meat animal project is required to complete this form. Use this form for reporting beef (and veal) pork, lambs, goats and chickens. Rabbits are exempt at this time. These records will remain on file in the county office for one year beyond the date of sale. Contact the Extension office for forms and additional information.

**Buying Out-of-State Swine & Lambs**

The ODA and OSU are reminding livestock buyers and sellers that animals coming into Oregon require a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) and an import permit, these documents are crucial to stopping the spread of disease and also aid in being able to trace outbreaks. The CVI and permit can be acquired through an accredited vet and the seller should provide the documents.

However, a CVI or permit does not ensure that an animal is free of all diseases, there are still many stressing factors that can cause an imported animal to become ill (shipping, changes in environment, etc.) Buyers should practice caution and good prevention by isolating purchased animals for at least 3 weeks. Frequent cleaning and disinfecting are also good practices.

**Scrapie Tag Reminder...**

The federal guidelines have been published on scrapie eradication in the United States. Scrapie is a fatal, degenerative disease affecting the central nervous system of sheep and goats. All sheep and goats shipped across state lines must have a scrapie ear tag or with goats be tattooed. In addition all sheep and goats being exhibited at county fair or other fairs, such as Eastern Oregon Livestock Show in Union, must have a scrapie ear tag or tattoo.

Tags and tag applicators are free of charge and can be ordered from the USDA office in Salem by calling 866-873-2824 or 503-399-5871. Additional information can be obtained from these this website: www.animalagriculture.org/scrapie.

**Inviting Club Reports**

- Clubs are invited to submit short reports about club meeting and/or activities to the Clover Patch Newsletter. We would love to see what your club has been doing. Please keep reports to 50-75 words.
- The Clover Patch is published 4-5 times a year, and club news would be printed as space allows.

**Lower Valley Livestock Club**

By: Maddi S. Tracy, Reporter

The Lower Valley Livestock Club held its first meeting of the year on November 8th, 2009, at the Wallowa Catholic Church. There were 17 members present, along with our leader Tami Wightman and assistant leader Dana Cherry. There were also 4 parent guests in attendance.

President Glen Spang called the meeting order. The club recited the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge. Next, leader Tami Wightman opened the floor for nominations of new Club officers for the upcoming 4-H year. The 2009-2010 officers are: President is Casey Marino, Vice President is Glen Spang, Secretary is Shai Allen Young, Sergeant at Arms is Macey Frei and myself, Maddi Tracy as Reporter. After the election, the 4H club worked on closing out last year’s records and our leader passed out record book pages for this year’s record books.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 20th, 2009, at the Wallowa Catholic Church in Wallowa at 7:00 p.m.

**Mighty Mutts 4-H Club**

By: Zoe Sallada

The Mighty mutts Club is an exciting, fun-filled 4-H Club. Dogs and their owners get a chance to bond and practice agility, obedience and showmanship. Once a year people in the club go on a trip to see other dogs compete. Every other week is when the meetings take place. The meetings are either at the Cloverleaf Hall discussing things or at the fairgrounds working with the dogs. We encourage people to join the Mighty Mutts club and to enjoy it!
February
1-28  Food Drive
9  Beef Possession Date for Eastern Oregon Livestock Show
18  First Aid/CPR Class, contact Joyce Himes 541-426-6435
19  Wallowa County Extension Office closed for furlough day.

March
6  Beef Weigh-In Day 8am-noon
10 4-H Horse Leaders Meeting, Extension Office Conference Room 6:30 p.m.
11 4-H Executive Board Meeting, Extension Office Conference Room 6:30 p.m.
11 4-H Livestock Leaders’ Meeting, Extension Office Conference Room, 7:30 p.m.
14 4-H Gaming Clinic (Register by March 5th)
19  Eastern Oregon Leadership Retreat Registrations Due at Extension Office
22-25 4-H Performing Arts Camp, Salem
25 4-H Night with Portland Trailblazers, Portland
26  Wallowa County Extension Office closed for furlough day.
28-30 Activate Oregon-Youth Summit, Portland

April
9-13  Rural-Urban Exchange
10  Trail Clinic with Vixen Radford (Register by April 2nd)
11  Spring Horse Judging Tour, Indoor Arena, 1:30 p.m.
11  Sheep and Swine Possession Date for Eastern Oregon Livestock Show
16-18  Eastern Oregon Leadership Retreat, Arlington & Portland Zoo (Register by March 19)
16-18  Shooting Sports Leader Training, Grants Pass (Register by March 31st)
19  Camp Counselor Training, LaGrande
21-25 4-H Urban Exchange, Portland, OR
23-25  Spring Horse Classics, Redmond
23  Wallowa County Extension Office closed for furlough day.

May
1  Swine Weigh-In Day, 8-11am, Potluck BBQ to follow
1  Spring Livestock Judging, flowing swine weigh-in
13  Eastern Oregon Livestock Show Registration due at Extension Office by 5pm
14  Wallowa County Extension Office closed for furlough day.
15-16  Camp Counselor Training

June
5th  Sheep Weigh-In Day, 8-11am
7-12  Eastern Oregon Livestock Show, Union
15-18  Natural resource 4-H Science Camp, Logan Valley
16  Pickle Canning Workshop, 1-5pm (Register by June 9th)
21  Camp Counselor Training
22-23  Wallowa County Spring Fair
23-26 4-H Summer Conference at OSU (registration begins May 1st)
26  Wallowa Mountain Open Horse Show
27  Horse Clinic with Julie Singer 9-noon Juniors, 1-4pm Int. & Seniors (Register by June 18th)

July
6-9  4-H Summer Camp, Summerville
17  Wallowa Mountain Open Horse Show
20-24  Outdoor Skills Rendezvous, Salem
31st  Wallowa County Fair Dog Show

August
1-7  Wallowa County Fair
2-13  ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp
The Adventures of Flat Lucky

The Oregon State 4-H Program would love to see what 4-H Clubs are doing across the state. They are encouraging clubs and members to take Flat Lucky to interesting places and chronicle your adventures using a digital camera. You can download your flat lucky at [http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/flat-lucky](http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/flat-lucky). Share your photos of by uploading it to Facebook at [http://www.facebook.com/pages/Flat-Lucky-Oregon-4-H/293550755041](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Flat-Lucky-Oregon-4-H/293550755041) or emailing it to sara.miller@oregonstate.edu/

February is Food Drive Month

Each year during the month of February we encourage ALL 4-H Clubs to participate in the OSU Extension Service Food Drive. We will take donations February 1st - March 1st.

As always, there is an incentive that goes along with this...each club that raises 600 pounds of food for the food bank will receive a “Pizza Party” prize. This is a reachable goal for all clubs, so please encourage your club to participate.

Cash donations are gladly accepted and will be equated to a “weight” of food. (Last year $1=5 pounds of food. This is determined by the state and will be announced later.) Good Luck!