Leaders, older youth can easily attend the 2015 Western Region Leader Forum—it is all on-line!

Running from January to March, the 2015 Western Region Leader Forum will take place by three separate e-sessions. Now all 4-H leaders and older youth of seven states (Washington, Oregon, California, Colorado, Utah, New Mexico and Wisconsin) will be able to participate without incurring travel and boarding expenses, thanks to 21st-century technology!

Ten sites in those states have registered to host all three e-sessions that will comprise the forum. The theme is “Connecting for Youth” for 4-H adult and teen volunteers to learn about having great meetings, adapting activities for youth with special needs, and supporting youth to be involved in their communities.

Forum:

Join 4-H volunteers from across the western region and around the nation. Experience the opportunities technology can bring to you close to home.

Be inspired, share ideas, interact with many, diverse 4-H volunteers and staff, and receive resources from multiple states – to use in clubs now! Scheduled from 6:30 to 8 pm, the three e-sessions are:

- **Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2015**: “Youth Connect: At Great Meetings”
- **Thursday, Feb. 12, 2015**: “Widening the Circle: Special Connections”
- **Monday, Mar. 2, 2015**: “Youth Connecting: In Your Community”

Oregon now using new “on-line” 4-H enrollment program

Five years ago, the state of Oregon started a new on-line enrollment program, 4-H Access. That program is ending March 31, 2015 (National 4-H will end their financial commitment for it), so we have now started adjusting to the only other option open to us, a program called 4hOnline, which other states are using.

This year Oregon will NOT allow self-enrollment on this program, but it may in the future. We have had a small number of club leaders who had access to their club records on the old program. This will probably again be possible in Jackson County after the staff has entered many of the enrollments. Right now we are still learning this new program.

Those contact leaders who would like to later (after November) check on their club records online may do so by emailing Diane.Miller@oregonstate.edu. Details for the process will be explained after that time.

Members Recognition Night honors youth

Three of the top Meat Animal Judging Contest winners (Elijah Snyder, Abbigail Buck and Maddie Buck) talk to Anne Manlove during Members Recognition Night about their experiences. See story and award results on page 8.
General Information

General Leader Training

The next general new-leader training will be:

- **Thursday, Nov. 20, 4 - 9 pm, Extension Classroom.** Pre-register by Nov. 19.

All new leaders and assistant leaders enrolling in the traditional Jackson County 4-H program are **required** to attend a Leader Training. (Note: For evening meetings, no dinner break will be taken. Snacks will be provided. Participants may opt to bring brown bag).

Additional new leader training sessions for January through March/April will be announced in the next newsletter.

TAX TIME COMING! Clubs’ financial info needed 1/15

The Internal Revenue Service looks carefully at all non-profit financial records. This includes your Leaders’ Association and all 4-H clubs. If clubs are using the Jackson County 4-H Leaders Association tax identification number, fund activity must be included in our 990 report to the IRS. Banks and groups who donate to 4-H send our identification number and financial activity to the IRS, we must report.

So, EVERY club that has any money (be it from fundraisers, club dues, or donations) MUST give this information to the county Leaders’ Association treasurer, June Brock, by Thursday, **Jan. 15, 2015**. If there are sizable discrepancies, we could lose our non-profit status.

The information needed includes: 1) Name of club, club contact person’s name, phone number and email address; 2) the total amount of money taken in/deposited for the 2013 year, 3) total amount of expenses, and 4) current balance (as of Dec. 31, 2014).

Send this information to June Brock at 414 E. Pine St., Central Point, OR 97502, or by email to her at jbrock9092@brtax.net.

Many clubs open; enroll for 2014-15 year now!

These clubs have notified the Extension Office that they are looking for members in these projects:

- **CLOTHING/FOODS:** **Super Swine ETC** has expanded to include more than just swine; Becky Belau, Jacksonville, 541-899-1747.
- **DOGS:** **Cultured Canines** wants more members; call Brenda Mingus, 541-664-4484.
- **LEGO ROBOTICS:** **Bots of Power** has space for a few more members; call Steve Tarr, 541-840-3684.
- **RABBITS:** **Rogue Rabbit Raisers** has new leaders and needs members: Heather Maya, 541-727-2661 in Central Point; and Andrea Moreau, 541-826-6217.
- **Jackson County Critters,** in Medford, also wants more members; call Sherry Tarr, 541-601-0381.
- **RIFLE & PISTOL:** **Southern Oregon Shooters** (split off from RVSS) has room for more members; call Steve Tarr, 541-840-3684.
- **SHOTGUN:** **Jackson County Shooting Sports Club,** with Ron Manoguerra, 541-531-5288, will be signing up members on **Thursday, Nov. 13 at 6:30 pm** in the Extension Auditorium.
- **SWINE & SHEEP:** **Green Lambs & Ham** (formerly E.P. Livestock), Central Point area, is looking for more members (for meat goat members too); call Rick Davis, 541-973-9613; **Mudjestic Swine,** Gold Hill/Central Point, also wants more members, Melissa Weast, 541-890-8930.

(Extension office assumes that all clubs are open unless we receive a call otherwise. Closed clubs so far are Pig Pals, Snowy Butte Archery and Westside Rabbiters.)

Topic for 2015 National 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest revealed

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. Essay contestants are not required to be enrolled in a 4-H beekeeping project.

The topic for the 2015 essay contest is "Planting for Bees from Backyards and Up." Learn more about the contest here: http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/4h-beekeeping-essay-contest.

Please encourage your 4-H members to submit an essay! Essays due in State office by Feb. 1, 2015.
The Achievement Program (first developed in 2005) is a multi-step program designed to motivate members to experience the broad spectrum of the 4-H program and offer recognition for their participation, achievements and dedication to 4-H.

Created for Jackson County 4th-12th graders, this program was developed to encourage our youth to experience the many opportunities available in 4-H and to develop confidence, life skills and the ability to make a positive contribution to our community.

Starting with participation in the many county events and activities, this multi-step program is designed to encourage members to expand their interests and broaden their experiences. (Example: kids who show livestock can attend an event about a totally different project...like 4-H Fashion Revue, or watch a cooking contest, or even try doing it themselves.)

As members progress through the different levels and become aware of their own potential, they will be offered opportunities to develop individual growth in the areas of knowledge and personal abilities as well as leadership and citizenship. The program will guide members toward becoming confident, self-directed individuals and responsible young adults.

Throughout the levels, recognition will be offered to members as acknowledgement and affirmation of their growth, development and contribution to the program. After completion of a “Step,” members will receive recognition and some great awards at the annual Member Recognition event to denote the level they have achieved.

**Step 1 - Explorer Level.** This year, interested members will participate in the first level of this program, which promotes participation in annual 4-H and club-sponsored events and encourages members to try new activities they might not normally attend. To pass this level, a member must participate in or attend at least 20 events or activities listed in the Achievement Packet. (it doesn’t have to be done all in one year). To receive credit for participation in an event or activity, a member must turn in quarterly “Submission Forms” to the Extension Office. These forms will ask for a description of the event, a statement of what the member learned from the activity, and a photo of the member attending the event.

Information packets will be available at the 4-H Extension office and online, beginning Nov. 15, at http://extension.oregonstate.edu/sorec/4h/

Questions may be directed to any of the Achievement Program Committee members: Kristy Artman, Deb Brown, Katy Kelley, Cari Brotherton, Kim Skomerza, or Diane Miller.

~ Deb Brown

**4-H Nat’l Conference applications from teen members now being accepted — Deadline Dec. 15; event April 11-16, 2015**

The National 4-H Conference is an annual premiere national civic engagement opportunity for 4-H members across the country. It is held at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland, and conference events take place in the greater Washington D.C. area.

Conference delegates network with teens from other states, and learn about ‘youth voices’ in civic engagement. They practice leadership skills, do problem solving, experience teamwork, and apply presentation skills at the federal level. And they will better understand US history and various government processes.

Delegates choose an important societal topic, learn to prepare a briefing, and then present their briefing to federal officials around the Washington, D.C. area. The delegates will also enjoy the Capital Mall, Smithsonian Institute museums, legislative office buildings, and federal agencies.

How can you become part of this process? You must be between ages 15 (by Jan. 1 of the conference year) and 19 years old. In order to be involved for a year following National Conference, you can NOT be in your last year of high school.

The next National 4-H Conference will be held April 11-16, 2015. Three to five Oregon 4-H applicants will be selected to attend the conference. For application and additional information, see: http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/national-conference. Sponsorship is by the Oregon 4-H Youth Development Program and the Oregon 4-H Foundation.

**The applications are due Dec. 15, 2014 to marilyn.lesmeister@oregonstate.edu.** Finalists will be contacted for a 15-minute telephone interview. **Delegates selected for this national award experience will be asked to contribute a $200 deposit by Feb. 15, 2015.**
Photography tips from State training shared

Patty Bunch, leader of Dare 2 Draw and Click Club, attended a statewide 4-H Expressive Arts training on Oct. 17-18 in Redmond. She learned much and would like to share the following tips on photography and photo mounting.

Photography tips for exhibiting at fair:
1. Photos should be processed commercially. No home printed photos. And do not accept a photo from whatever company you choose if it isn’t printed accurately. For example: you take a photo of a pink rose and when you get the print back it is blue! Not acceptable!
2. Matte finish is better for not showing fingerprints. If you get a fingerprint on a glossy photo, you have about ONE minute to buff it out with a microfiber cloth before it becomes permanently etched into the photo!
3. Beware of pixilation! Don’t enlarge a 72 DPI image and expect it to look good! Don’t go beyond the limits of what you can get from a photo. If it starts to have ragged edges from pixels showing up, you have gone too far!
4. Photos can be “flush mounted,” in other words, the mat board you mount it on can be exactly the same size as the photo so no mat board shows. DO NOT use poster board anywhere, or any time!
5. Photos need to be backed with something sturdy. Use mat board to mount photos on, and, if using a window mat “frame,” you can use foam core or even cardboard as long as it doesn’t show at all on the front. This is so the photo doesn’t get damaged by a finger poking through from the back. Be aware of size requirements for each class!
6. Judges like level horizons and they don’t want them to be in the exact middle of the photo.
7. Our eyes are drawn to light. Remember this when composing. If you take a photo of your animal and there is bright sunlight behind it, it will detract from the subject. Your eye will go to the background.
8. Learn your camera. Read your manual and practice, practice, practice!
9. Learn some basic tricks – fill flash, use of reflectors, etc.
10. Learn the “rule of thirds.” Make a viewfinder from a precut window mat and florist wire or use the grid on some cameras and photo editing software.
11. Fill out your explanation cards! These are so very important to the judges. They help them know what you were thinking or trying to accomplish. Remember, you don’t go up to State Fair to be interviewed. This card IS your interview judging!
12. Make sure the photo is entered in the right class! Otherwise it may be disqualified at State Fair!

Classes that get confusing:
- **Architecture**: refers to manmade structures like buildings and bridges but NOT to garden art, statues and things like that. A doorknob is part of architecture, but the judges are looking for lines, perspective and symmetry.
- **Texture**: would you feel bumpiness if you could reach out and touch the object in your photo? Yes? Then it is texture. No. Then it is NOT texture. Water can look like texture but doesn’t have a texture if you touch it. So it doesn’t go here.
- **Still life**: The key word is “still.” If it is not capable of moving, it is okay. Also, the objects should be gathered and arranged by YOU, the photographer. If there are hands in the photo, don’t put it in still life because those hands are capable of moving.
- **Panoramic**: the finished photo has to be twice as long as it is wide or twice as wide as it is tall. 5”x10” or 10”x5,” etc.
- **Other interesting subject**: This is not a place to add a photo of just anything because you want to have another exhibit. You cannot put a photo of your cat in this class just because you already have a photo of your cat entered under “animal.” If the photo just doesn’t fit in any of the other classes, then it could go here.
- **Any class**: The exact same photo cannot be entered in two different classes. A similar photo is okay but not the exact same one.

~ Patty Bunch
WRLF e-sessions  Continued from page 1

To register for the WRLF e-sessions, contact Diane.Miller@oregonstate.edu at the county Extension Office and mention which e-sessions you will attend. Then go to http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/wrlf2015 for more information, and print marketing items to distribute to adults and teens in your club. You can even track the number of sites participating.

WRLF e-SESSION #1:
“Youth Connect: At Great Meetings”

Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2015: 6:30-8 pm  “That was a GREAT 4-H MEETING!” Join Oregon 4-H volunteers and staff for the 2015 WRLF. Be inspired by adults who help youth have fun at club meetings while learning, conducting business and practicing leadership. See ways that 4-H club meetings are the right environment for volunteers to provide the essential elements: belonging, mastery, generosity and independence. See a video to learn fundamental Parliamentary Procedure (New Mexico). What other ways can members use to make decisions during club meetings? How should committees work? Chris Clover will share answers to these questions and more. Receive videos, lesson plans, activities and print materials to use in clubs. 4-H youth-adult partnerships can create many effective, educational experiences! Every 4-H meeting can be GREAT!

States providing education and resources during this e-session include: New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, and Wisconsin

At the end of this session participants will be able to identify: the four essential elements of 4-H and how to incorporate them into club meetings; three parts of a club meeting and how to incorporate them all, consistently; various decision-making methods and when each is most effective; and, opportunities for members to develop and practice leadership skills.

WRLF e-SESSION #2
“ Widening the Circle: Special Connections”

Thursday, Feb. 12, 2015: 6:30-8 pm Many youth meet the age requirements to learn and grow in 4-H. Every school, in every state, includes youth who have special needs. Join us on Feb. 12 to widen the circle and ‘to see’ youth with special needs in 4-H. Be inspired by 4-H alum, Temple Grandin (Colorado State University) who is nationally renowned in the livestock industry. Temple will talk about her experience learning with autism, and why caring volunteers in 4-H are so important in the lives of young people. With the help of an instructor from Kids Included To-gether (KIT), we will practice skills and gain confidence in working beside 4-H youth who have special needs, including physical, social, or learning disabilities. Explore opportunities for working with a child’s family and school support systems. Understand strategies to recruit and engage youth with various levels of ability. See how to adapt 4-H activities and make accommodation.

After this e-session, states will have access to many on-line learning modules (30-60 min each) on specific topics of their choice and individual consultations with KIT staff to address unique county and state needs. You will have access to great resources for the future!

States providing education and resources during this e-session include: Colorado, Oregon and Washington

At the end of this session, participants will be able to identify ideas and strategies to be successful in recruiting youth with various levels of abilities; model inclusive behavior; identify techniques and resources for accommodating youth with special needs; and, include young people not currently served effectively by the 4-H program.

WRLF e-SESSION #3
“Youth Connecting in Your Community”

Monday, Mar. 2, 2015: 6:30-8: pm. Do you have a story about 4-H youth being good neighbors, creating strong communities, and doing the right things? 4-H youth are leaders, advocates, and philanthropists. These are just a few ways 4-H members can be involved in their communities.

Join Oregon 4-H volunteers and staff for the third and final 2015 WR Forum e-session. Be inspired by 4-H members in many states who have been successfully creating a ‘revolution of responsibility.’ Volunteers will gain ideas about how to consistently include citizenship and community service in every 4-H club and county meeting. Review curriculum. See templates for planning. Hear suggestions from other volunteers and Chris Clover! Understand opportunities for youth to plan and share their passion through opportunities in local, state and global civic engagement projects. Consider ways to use social media to celebrate ways that 4-H members are involved and responsible. As one area of national focus, 4-H citizenship programs teach important life skills.

States providing education and resources for this e-session include: California and Oregon

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New Ultrasound and Carcass Seminar coming

Don’t miss out; get on email list for more information

Jackson County 4-H/FFA Heritage Club is planning an Ultrasound and Carcass Seminar! All 4-H members are welcome. An ultrasound technician will demonstrate on live animals and then participants will tour a butcher facility and look at carcasses.

Tentative date is Saturday, Nov. 22. Details will be sent out by email, so if you are interested, make sure you are on the email list by contacting Kathy White at whiteranch1@qq.com.

2015 Rancher’s Choice handbook coming out soon with changes

We are currently finishing the revisions to last year’s Rancher’s Choice Market Beef Contest Handbook and will be posted to the Extension Office website in the first part of November. Changes that are being made are in an expansion of awards, breeder’s affidavit and feed records.

Thank you to everyone who participated this past year and provided feedback. We were thrilled at the large number of members who completed this contest and all of the elements involved in it. We think next year will be even better, so if you purchased your calf from a Jackson County breeder this year, make sure to have the breeder complete an affidavit which is the first step in your eligibility. Keep the affidavit and turn it in at beef field day. All essay questions will be handed out at beef field day and shortly thereafter we will provide a record keeping workshop to help you understand the record keeping aspect of this contest.

If you have any questions feel free to call Kim Skomerza, 541-621-2091, or Nicole Leonardo, 541-261-1819.

~ Kim Skomerza

USDA has handy information “toolkit” now available

If you are interested in new opportunities for smaller-scale producers and businesses, this handy guide from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) is for you. ● Explore USDA programs

For more information about the Jackson County 4-H horse program, forms, etc, be sure to visit: http://jc4hhorse.pbworks.com/w/page/12294434/FrontPage

Spring Horse Classic news

Spring Horse Classic will be held in McMinnville on April 24-26, 2015.

Counties that wish to participate in either Horse Bowl or Hippology at Spring Horse Classic must submit questions to the State Office by Jan. 15.

For Horse Bowl: Each county needs to submit 10 regular questions and 3 bonus questions from any of the approved sources. Submissions need to include the question, the answer, and the source (including page number).

For Hippology: Each county needs to submit 10 questions from any of the Horse Bowl sources. Five should be written, multiple-choice questions for the Examination phase. Five should be visual questions for the Station phase. (You do not need to include the actual visuals.) Each county should also submit one idea for the Team Problem.

State Horse Advisory

Applications for the State Horse Advisory will be accepted until Dec. 1. New members will begin their assignment in January and serve a three-year term (youth may serve a one-year term). The Horse Advisory meets twice a year, but also conducts business via email between meetings.

Contact Roberta.Lundeberg@oregonstate.edu

Open Riding Rates at Expo: $5 daily (if you ride less than 5 times a month), $25 monthly (September through May), $130 Season Pass, Sept. 1-May 31 (best value). A “Camp Host” is on the grounds to check for compliance. Questions? Call Lori Burk, 541-774-8271.
A 4-H heart story –
Life after two heart transplants

For those of you who are not aware, this man is a dedicated 4-H leader who is starting his 18th year with the program (three years in California starting in 1998 before transferring to Jackson County). He started the shooting sports project here in 2002, and has been the shotgun superintendent since that year.

He says he won’t close the membership in his club, although he has tried. And there are some kids in his club who will seek his advice on their private lives that they won’t necessarily ask of their family, or parents, if they have any... He says, “I will always be there for any kid that's needs support!”

Hi! My name is Ron Manoguerra Sr. I would like to tell you about my two heart transplants in the last 17 years and about Organ Donation.

In 1993 I was diagnosed with Idiopathic Cardiomyopathy, which means an undetermined reason for an enlarged heart. I was told I had only five years to live. Then in 1996 I had gotten deathly ill and couldn’t breathe. I wanted to just sleep and kept getting weaker. Between November and January of 1997, I was going to a local hospital, and then, on Feb. 1, I was flown down to Stanford University Medical center in Palo Alto, Calif.

On the night of Feb. 3, I died. I had an “out of body experience.” I lifted above the bed and saw the nurses working to get me back. Meanwhile I was floating towards the clock which then turned into a very bright and beautiful light. When I looked into the light, I saw to the right side my past relatives and to my left my ten year old son. As I was getting closer, I was floating more towards my son, which felt like forever but was only thirty seconds. When I reached him, I was actually looking up at the nurse who was saying, “We got him back!”

I was told by doctors that my only chance at life was to be put on an experimental machine called a “Left Ventricle Assist Devise” or LVAD. This was a big clunky machine that the surgeon had to cut out several ribs in order to hook up hoses to my enlarged weak heart. I had a cable sticking out my side that was hooked to a computer and battery packs.

Well at Stanford, I was known as HA33 (human adult #33). I lived on the LVAD for 3½ months until May 3, 1997, when I got the call for a heart.

Twelve years went by with minor issues. During the next four years, I was diagnosed with “Coronary Artery Disease” (blockage and shrinking of the arteries). After a total of 16 years and nine stents later, my heart was getting tired and was in failure again.

Then in 2012 I was put on the transplant list and a mobile IV pump with medication to my heart at a normal rhythm until a new heart was available. During this time I had two small episodes with death.

In December of 2012 I received a call telling me a heart was available, and I was re-transplanted on Dec.10. Everything went well until lately when I was having moderate rejection of my heart. This can be corrected by medication adjustments (I take about 15 medications twice a day), regular blood tests, and a lot of travel expenses.

I would like to say that I am very blessed to have received two hearts when, unfortunately, a lot of people never see one. God kept me on this planet for a reason and I feel that is to spread the word of transplant and to spend time with my 4-H family (and my other leaders for whom I am very thankful). I am doing well, but I know I'm having some issues—I can feel them inside—but I will beat it!

Organ Donation

There are 1000’s of people in need of Organs and you can help by signing up to be a Donor! There are different ways to sign up, but the best way is to go online to UNOS (United Network for Organ Sharing), California Transplant Donor Network (CTDN.org) which is where my heart came from, or Pacific Northwest Transplant Bank (PNTB.org). It is very simple to do! You can donate many parts of your body such as eyes, lungs, tissue, etc. to save the lives of anyone from an infant to an aged person.

Thank you for reading my story and hope you become an Organ Donor! My personal opinion is: Why take it with you (when you die) if you can save the life a family member, friend or even a stranger.

RAFFLE

To help with his great amount of expenses, Ron is selling raffle tickets for a 1/4 pig cut and wrapped. Cost of tickets is $5 each or 5/$20. Get your tickets now by sending your order/money to Ron Manoguerra, P.O. Box 3327, Central Point OR 97502.
Active members honored at Recognition Night

Youth were recognized for their contributions and achievements during the 2013-14 year at Member Recognition Night on Nov. 1, where everyone enjoyed an All American hotdog & hamburger meal.

Members in the following categories were acknowledged: Camp Counselors, OSU Summer Conference Attendees, Interstate Exchange Delegates, Executive Board Youth, State Fair Contestants; the top 10 Meat Animal Judging Contestants; Horse Versatility Award Winners; State Shooting Sports Contest Participants; Presentation Contest winners; Junior Livestock Committee; 12th grade 4-H members, and Record Book winners.

Each member who submitted a book received a 4-H memento, compliments of the Leaders Association, while the winners of each level won $10. The grand finale for the evening was the annual slide show featuring photos of the year’s activities and events. Many thanks go to Tanner Brotherton for creating this year’s slide show.

2014 Record Book winners were announced as follows:

**Beef:**
- J-Alexis Taylor

**Dog:**
- 1YJ-Emma Patton
- I-Samantha Shelton
- S-Sandie Shelton

**Food Preservation:**
- I-Nichole Taylor

**Horse:**
- 1YJ-Kiera McNamee
- J-Rachel Artman
- I-Emma Warr
- S-Kinsey Ayres

**Horticulture:**
- I-Blake Beck

**Photography:**
- 1YJ-Kaetriauna Bowser-Smith
- I-Clayre Shaffer

**Sheep:**
- J-Jordan Robinson

**Swine:**
- 1YJ-Emmy Allen
- J-Elyssa Allen
- I-Trevor Morgan
- S-Sara Shelton

**Technology:**
- J-Alexander Moissant

**Overall Record Book winners**

The top record books in the contest were re-judged to select the best in each of the four grade levels. Top awards of each of the four levels were increased this year, but the number of places decreased. The top individual of each level received a $100, second place was awarded $75, third place won $50, and fourth place received $25. Winners, listed first through third or fourth, respectively, were:

**First-Year Juniors:** Kaetriauna Bowser-Smith, Emmy Allen, Emma Patten.
**Juniors:** Rachel Artman, Jordan Robinson, Alexis Taylor, Alyssa Allen.
**Seniors:** Sandie Shelton, Sara Shelton, Kinsey Ayres.

Many Thanks to the Record Book judges who included: Sharon Krische, Nancy Kelsey, Patty Bunch, Sharon Williams, Anne Manlove, Kim Shelton, Vicki Noelle, Cari Brotherton, Juanita Wright, Deb Brown, Kim Skomerza, Cheri Biskeborn, Logan Krische and Diane Miller.

**Horse Versatility Trophies were awarded to:**
- First Place, Abygail Hicks, Second Place, Madison Dungey, Third Place, Alexandra Roberts.

NOTICES received:

**Sale:** 5H Hollabaugh & Lilly Family will have a Spring Lamb Sale on Mar. 7, at 688 Worthington Rd, Eagle Point; Cheryl Hollabaugh, 503-881-5925, or Julia Lilly, 541-601-3904.

**Sale:** Melissa Weast will have show pigs for sale this coming year; call 541-89-8930.

Available for 4-H families: Cages, nesting boxes, feeders, watering units and more (that are usable for small animals) are being donated by a former pigeon raiser, to any 4-H families who can use them. Call Pete Price (541-941-2774) who lives near 7-mile marker of Butte Falls Hwy on Crowfoot Road.
Local youth scored well  

Meat animal judging contest results  

The Jackson County 4-H/FFA Heritage Club in partnership with the Jackson County 4-H/FFA Junior Livestock Auction Committee held the Western Fall Classic Livestock Judging Contest in Expo’s Isola Arena last September. This contest was made possible due to the enormous contribution of Rick Klampe from Linn-Benton Community College and Jesse Warnjtes.

College, FFA, 4-H teams and individuals came from across Oregon, California, Arizona, and Idaho to compete. The contest included 12 classes of high quality livestock, generously supplied by local ranches and Bend FFA.

High local individual winners were: **Novice Beef:** 1st, Haylee Crowe, Eagle Point FFA; 3rd, David Gladman, Crater FFA; 5th, Clayre Shaffer, Judge Tastics; **Novice Sheep:** 2nd, Tyler Gifford, Eagle Point FFA; 4th, David Gladman Crater FFA; **Novice Swine:** 1st, Haylee Crowe, Eagle Point FFA; 3rd, Rylee Goodard, Crater FFA; **Novice Goats:** 2nd, Clayre Shaffer, Judge Tastics; 5th, Morgan Curry, Judge Tastics; **Novice Questions:** 1st, Haylee Crowe, Eagle Point FFA; 3rd, David Gladman Crater FFA, 5th, Rylee Goodard, Crater FFA; **Top 10 Overall:** 2nd, Haylee Crowe, Eagle Point FFA; 4th, David Gladman, Crater FFA; 6th, Rylee Goodard, Crater FFA; 8th, Matthew Proud, Crater FFA; 9th, Clayre Shaffer, Judge Tastics.

Advanced Youth Individuals: **Beef** - 3rd, Jessica Juvinall, Jackson County; **Sheep** - 2nd, Jessica Juvinall, Jackson County; **Swine** - 5th, Jessica Juvinall, Jackson County; **Reasons** - 2nd, Jessica Juvinall, Jackson County; 5th, Ryan Gifford, Eagle Point FFA A.
State Fair Results

A good number of Jackson County members did very well at the Oregon State Fair this year. We are proud of every member who sent exhibits or traveled to Salem to participate. They are listed below. (Note: The meaning of the abbreviations (in addition to CH & RCH) are: JC = Judges Choice, M = Medallion.)

Andersen, Gabriella: Clothing, R; Foods, R
Andersen, Marissa: Clothing, B; Foods, CH
Avalos, Alexander: Art, W, R, CH
Avalos, Kianna: Art, B; Clothing, R.
Baker, Sydney: Horse—Show, R.
Beck, Blake: Presentation: JC, M; Horticulture, CH
Bonsi, Malia: Art, B; Photography, B, B.
Bowser-Smith, Kaetriauna: Photography, CH, B
Breeding, Kyle: Photography, B, B
Brotherton, Tanner: Poultry—Breeds, R, R, Show, R; Swine—Market, B; Show, B.
Clevenger, Makena: Clothing, RCH.
Courtney, Cassidy: Photography, B, B.
Deen, Taylen: Food Preservation, B.
Fincher, Ashley: Clothing, R.
Fincher, Brandon: Photography, W, R.
Folgate, Lily: Clothing, R
Fung, Madison: Videography, R; Educ. Display, B; Photography, B; Rabbits—Breeds, R, R, Show, B.
Geroux, Chloé: Educ. Display, B; Photography, B, B; Cavy—Breed, B, Show, B.
Geroux, Daniel: Educ. Display, B; Art, B; Photography, B; Rabbits—Breed, B, Show, B; Cavy—Breed, B, Show, B.
Gilworth, Kate: Photography, B, B.
Godard, Morgan: Art, R, B.
Hammond, Darby: Clothing, CH
Hanson, Kristen: Horse—Hunt Seat, R; Western, R; Ground Train, B; Trail, R; In-Hand, R; Dressage, B; Show, B.
Hanson, McKennah: Art, R.
Hanson,Sierra: Foods, B.
Harper, Selina: Art, B; Photography, R.
Harriff, Ben: Computer, B.
Henricks, Samantha: Hunt Seat, Medallion Ribbon; Western, Medallion; Trail, Medallion; Show, B.
Hughes, Kaitlyn: Photography, B, B.
Hutchinson, Kyla: Clothing, R; Fash. Revue, B.
Ingledey, Emily: Clothing, B, R.
Lands, Leeannea: Photography, B.
McAdam, Heather: Art, B.
McKechnie, Cassandra: Photography, R, R.
McKechnie, Justin: Photography, B, R.
Meek, Anna: Educ. Display, B; Photography, B, CH; Fiber Arts, RCH.
Miller, Naomi: Photography, B; Fiber Arts, R; Clothing, B, RCH.
Mitchell, Steve: Art, B, B; Woodworking, B.
Morris, Mickala: Photography, RCH, B; Clothing, R; Foods, W.
Myer, Ashley: Photography, B.
Nevin, Fiona: Art, RCH; Photography, B, R.
Nevin, Wynn: Photography, CH, RCH; Fiber Arts, RCH; Food Pres, B.
Phillips, Melissa: Art, R.
Rabjohn, Caitlyn: Educ. Display, B; Foods, B.
Rademacher, Myra: Photography, B, B
Robedead, Kennedy: Photography, R, R.
Roberts, Alexandra: Art, B, B; Horse—Hunt Seat, R; Western, R; Trail, B; Dressage, B; Show, R.
Shaffer, Clayre: Art, B; Photography, Ch, B; Food Pres, B, R, B.
Shelton, Samantha: Presentations, B; Dog—Obed, CH, Show, B, M.
Shelton, Sandra: Presentations, B, B; Art, B, RCH; Dog—Obed, CH, R, Show, B, M.
Shelton, Sara: Presentations, JC, B; Photos, R, R.
Skudlarek, Keenan: Art, R.
Smith, Alexis: Hunt Seat, R; Show, R.
Taylor, Alexis: Food Pres, R.
Taylor, Nichole: Foods, R; Food Pres, R.
Thompson, Coleen: Photography, B, B.
Thompson, Samantha: Photography, B, CH.
Thompson, Taelor: Photography, RCH
VanWormer Bale: Photography, B, R.
Wallan, Eric: Art, R
Wanamaker, Riley: Photography, R, B.
Ward, Emma: Science, R.
Wheeler, Anna: Photography, W, R.
Winter, Kyia: Photography, B, B.
Winter, Rylee: Photography, B.
Wright, Caitlin: Photography, B, RCH.
Calendar

November
5  Executive Board, Extension Auditorium, 6:30 pm
19  Animal Science Leader Meetings, Extension Auditorium, 7 pm

December
3  Executive Board Christmas Meeting, TBA, 5:30 pm

Looking ahead…

Jan. 30  Deadline for regular-fee 4-H enrollment, Extension Office, 5 pm
Feb. 21  Beef Tagging, Expo fairgrounds
Mar.  TBA  4-H Foods Preparation Contest
Mar. 15  Deadline for 4-H enrollments to participate at county fair events
Apr. 18  Sheep/Swine/Market Goat Tagging, Expo fairgrounds
May 29-31  Spring Fair, Expo fairgrounds
July 21-26  County Fair opens to the public, Expo fairgrounds

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that can support opportunities in small and midsized livestock and poultry. ● See examples how these programs are being used. ● Explore additional research and tools. ● Find partners. ● Ask questions at your local USDA Service Center.

This “toolkit” contains information on grants and loans for producers and processors, marketing assistance resources, organic production support, and multiple phone numbers and contacts for just about every question for new farmers and businesses.

Check it out: http://www.usda.gov/documents/livestockpoultrytool.pdf and share with others!

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At the end of this session participants will be able to: recognize the value of including citizenship and community service in 4-H clubs; identify ways to get youth engaged in community issues that they are passionate about; encourage and help members get involved in short-term and long-term citizenship activities; and, promote local, state and national citizenship programs.

For more information, contact Marilyn Lesmeister, 4-H State Staff, marilyn.lesmeister@oregonstate.edu

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Top 10 Advanced Youth Overall - 1st, Jessica Juvinall, Jackson County.

Advanced Youth Teams: Beef - 3rd team, Eagle Point FFA; Sheep - 3rd, Crater FFA; Swine - 4th, Eagle Point FFA; Reasons - 3rd, Eagle Point FFA; Top Teams Overall: 1st, Bend FFA; 2nd, Clackamas; 3rd, Las Plumas FFA; 4th, Eagle Point FFA; 5th, Bend FFA B; 6th, Marion County 4-H; 7th, Yreka FFA; 8th, Crater FFA.

Overall: 8th, Sammie Beck, Linn Benton. Collegiate Team Overall: 2nd, Linn Benton, including Sammie Beck and Claire Gladman; 4th, Linn Benton, including Cali Drake.

Congratulations to our Jackson County Youth!

Premium Checks

The 4-H Premium points will be worth $1 per point this year. Checks should be ready for pick-up in November (call before coming to the Extension Office). The money to pay premiums comes from entry fees and the Jackson County Budget Committee. We divide the amount of money available after paying for judges, ribbons, etc, by the number of points distributed, to determine the value of each point. Remember—Premium checks will only be written to those exhibitors earning more than 5 points for the year.
To the 4-H family of, or current resident:

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