

The Clover Connection

August 2020

4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August

- Aug. 3 Community Club Leaders Meeting—Zoom online, 6:00 pm
- Aug. 11 4-H Association Board Meeting — Zoom online 6:00 pm
- Aug. 14 Oregon State Showmanship Contest Registration **Deadline**
- Aug. 17 Superintendent Meeting—Zoom, 6:00 pm
- Aug. 26 Lane Leadership Team—Zoom Meeting, 6:00 pm
- Aug. 26 - Sept. 3: Oregon State 4-H Showmanship Contest
- Aug. 28 - Sept. 7: ~~Oregon State Fair~~—Cancelled
- Aug. 31 Oregon State 4-H Showcase **Deadline**

September

- Sept. 2 Community Club Leaders Meeting—Zoom online, 6:00 pm
- Sept. 7 Holiday, Extension Office Closed
- Sept. 8 4-H Association Board Meeting — Zoom online, 6:00 pm
- Sept. 21 Record Book Drop-off Deadline for Record Book Contest
- Sept. 21 Superintendent Meeting—Zoom online,
- Sept. 23 Lane Leadership Team—Zoom Meeting, 6:00 pm

October

- Oct. 1 4-H Enrollment Open for 2020-2021
- Oct. 6 –12 National 4-H Week
- Oct. 7 Community Club Leaders Meeting—Zoom online, 6:00 pm
- Oct. 13 4-H Association Board Meeting — Zoom online 6:00 pm
- Oct. 19 Superintendent Meeting—Zoom, 6:00 pm
- Oct. 28 Lane Leadership Team—Zoom Meeting, 6:00 pm

*** Note: All dates and location are tentative. All in-person Lane 4-H programming, events, meetings and activities are currently on pause until further notice while we work with our volunteers to meet the requirements of OSU's resumption plan.**



A Note from Lane 4-H



Dear Lane County 4-H Community,

Congratulations and 'thank you' to all participated in "Showing at Home" Fair last month! It was a joy for us to watch the youth show all that they had learned throughout the year. It was a great learning experience for all of us and we are hopeful that we will be able hold in person fair(s) next summer.

In lieu of State Fair, there are new opportunities to show what you have learned. First, the Oregon State 4-H Showmanship Contest (see pg.5) entries are due August 14th. Second, the Oregon State 4-H Showcase will be showing Static Exhibits via Virtual Galleries (i.e. Photography Gallery, Art Gallery, Fashion Gallery, etc.) with a deadline for entries August 31th. These galleries will be available for viewing through the Oregon 4-H website (see pg.6). In addition, Oregon 4-H is offering State Fair for Presentations, a Ranch Horse Skills Invitational, and the Family and Consumer Science Classic (see pg.4). Good luck to those exhibiting in these virtual events, we will be excited to see your entries. You can find more information about these opportunities on the [In lieu of State Fair webpage](#).

We would like to thank the 4-H Supers, FFA Advisors, and Lane County Livestock Auction Committee who worked endless putting together the Cooperative fund that helped to raise funds for the 4-H and FFA Youth due to the cancellation of the Lane County Youth Livestock Auction.

What's next? We are gearing up for the new 4-H year! We will be setting up virtual trainings for leaders and protocols for the meetings for this coming year. We are looking forward to doing more outreach to the youth with virtual lessons and in person meetings as soon as we can. Please be patient as we are all learning how to work in these trying times. We are here for you.

Stay Safe and Stay Healthy,

Nicole and Patty, Your Lane County 4-H Staff

4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my **HEAD** to clearer thinking,

My **HEART** to greater loyalty,

My **HANDS** to larger service,

And my **HEALTH** to better living,

For my club, my community, my country and my world.



In lieu of State Fair 2020!

Ranch Horse Skills Invitational

What: An event to test your ranch horse savvy in lieu of this year's Ranch Horse Invitational

Why: Because traveling between counties at such a distance is still not recommended and we MUST do something that continues to promote and expand the Ranch Horse Experience

Where: Via ZOOM, Easy Test Maker, and other fun technology resources. When: During the week following Labor Day; Evenings of Sept 9 and 10; More specific dates and times to come depending on registration numbers.

[Find more details and registration](#)

State Fair for Presentations

Intermediate and Senior 4-H members may participate in a special State Fair presentation contest via Zoom. The contest will be held on Friday, August 28 and Saturday, August 29. Members must register for a time. Registration will be done via Ideal-logic and will open August 1. To participate, members must have done a presentation at the county level (not necessarily this year). The State Fair contest will NOT include Impromptu Presentations. [Click here to Sign Up.](#)

Family and Consumer Science Classic

This year, the FCS Classic is open to any intermediate or senior member involved in Family and Consumer Science project areas. Qualification at the county level is not required to participate in the state contest.

The State contest will be held August 30 and 31st (except presentations). The Oregon FCS Classic will consist of four contests presentations, fashion revue, skill-a-thon, and consumer decision making.

[More details can be found here.](#)

Please feel free to contact Lynette Black, lynette.black@oregonstate.edu with any questions.

In lieu of State Fair 2020!

Oregon State 4-H Showmanship Contest

All Species | Intermediates and Seniors

This will be showmanship different than you have done before.

We (myself and another judge or two) will be evaluating you through an interview of you and your animal. In order to participate, you will need a device that can connect to ZOOM and travel with you to your animal.

There are only a few **RULES**:

1. You must be enrolled for the 2019-2020 4-H year as an intermediate or senior in the species you choose.
2. You must make all arrangements (appointment) and related communication yourself – ask parents, guardian, leader for advice, but YOU make the phone call, YOU set the schedule, etc.
3. Animals should be cleaned and prepared for show.
4. You should be clean, dressed and pressed for an interview – appropriate for your species.



What to Expect:

- Large animals expect to lead, drive, move your animal as if in a showmanship class. Horses, llamas/alpacas, dogs you may be asked to do a short pattern.
- Poultry, including turkeys, expect to walk your animals per your showmanship guide
- Other small animals, expect to demonstrate certain skills with your animal, for example, showing your animal's paws, teeth, feet, etc.
- Be prepared to answer questions about what and how much you feed, what kind of environment your animal resides in, how and what your 4-H participation looks like, what is most memorable about this year, etc.
- Practice your interview skills: speak clearly, look at your interviewers, respond thoughtfully, etc.
- **If you only have a market animal and it will be gone before the interview...** Then you may submit a short (60 seconds or less) video of you leading, driving, showing your animal and a single photograph of you and your animal. Then all other processes will be the same – be sure and note this on the registration materials.

How to Participate:

- You must pre-register by end of day on Friday, August 14.
- There will be a \$20 charge per scheduled interview to help cover judge(s), technology, awards and postage
- There is **NO pre-qualification** requirement.
- In the week following August 14, a link to schedule your interview time will go out (SignUp.com); you will sign up by species for 10-15 minute spots – this will depend a bit on numbers; our goal will be to group interviews by species for the most part, but also try to be a bit flexible.
- Tentatively, I expect to split things up as follows: Horse, 8/26 & 27; Livestock, 8/28 & 29; Small Animal, Sept 1 & 2 and Dog, Cat, Pet/ Exotic on Sept 3

[Find Registration Flyer Here](#)

In lieu of State Fair 2020!

Oregon State 4-H Showcase

In lieu of a 4-H State Fair, the Oregon 4-H program is planning to showcase our members' work via Virtual Galleries (i.e. Photography Gallery, Art Gallery, Fashion Gallery, etc.)

These galleries will be available for viewing through the Oregon 4-H website.

No judging is involved, simply submit your entry for inclusion in the gallery by **August 31, 2020**.



Details:

- Members will complete an entry form for each exhibit entered. The entry form will be located on the State website under the State Fair tab. Each entry requires its own entry form.
- Members may enter one exhibit per project area: 1 photograph, 1 art piece, 1 sewing project, 1 flower arrangement or cut flower, etc. We encourage members to evaluate their projects and choose what they feel is their absolute best exhibit in each project area.
- Members take a photo (or two if needed to really see the project) or a 30 second video which is uploaded with the entry form.
- Members may also enter a fashion revue project via a 1 minute YouTube video.
- Members who have created computer generated art project or computer programs of other projects that are already "virtual" and can be inserted into a PowerPoint-based gallery can upload those projects rather than taking a picture or video of the project.
- Members may also create an educational display using PowerPoint.



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Questions, contact Lynette at lynette.black@oregonstate.edu or 541-298-3578

Statewide Opportunities

Did you miss Summer Conference?

Watch these five videos produced by John Beede specifically for Oregon 4-H. Mr. Beede has twice been our keynote speaker at Summer Conference and received rave reviews both times. These videos address different aspects of dealing with the coronavirus pandemic. As one of our state ambassadors said, “the videos are no replacement for his amazing presentations at Summer Conference, but I think that his infectious positivity is really important right now.”

[Watch the Videos](#)

Kids Hope Quilt

If 100 kids make quilt squares, we can cover a wall. If 1,000 kids make squares, we could have an exhibit in a museum. If 100,000 kids make squares, we could have a parade. If 1,000,000 kids make squares, we could change the world. And you can be part of it!

JOIN OTHER KIDS IN CREATING THE KIDS HOPE QUILT.

[LEARN MORE](#)

Oregon Teen Science Café

Teen Science Cares is a series of fun, free, events for teens in grades 7-12 to learn first-hand how scientists and technology experts are making discoveries and solving world's problems.

This is an exciting opportunity to explore different careers, connect with professionals around the world, and thrive in leadership roles.

[Sign Up Here](#)

Staying at Home Resources!

4-H At Home

With hands-on activities for kids, 4-H at Home inspires kids and teens to learn, grow, and charge ahead in their lives through critical learning resources accessible to all kids.

With COVID-19 disrupting learning for 55 million young people, 4-H has stepped up to bring the traditional 4-H experience inside the home.

Explore this page to receive hundreds of educational activities for kids in topics like STEM, healthy living, and crafting, including step-by-step videos, activity guides, and more.

Free Middle School Virtual Invention Camp

iINVENT is a FREE virtual summer camp for incoming 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students. Invent while meeting college students, connecting with new friends, and learning about all about OSU! iINVENT is a virtual program designed to be completed in one week, two weeks, or three weeks depending on your family schedule! Each week begins a new cohort of students, and our last cohort begins August 10.

More information and instructions to register can be found on our website:
<https://precollege.oregonstate.edu/be-inventor-iinvent>

AKC Trick Dog Titles

Looking for something fun to do at home?

AKC Trick Dog Titles are now being earned virtually! It's easy, fun, and 4-H members are encouraged to participate!

[Learn More](#)



Staying at Home Resources

The 2020 OSU Hatfield Summer Day Camps Have Gone Virtual!

Do you have an ocean lover at home looking for ways to learn more about marine science? These camps bring ocean-themed activities to your home through hands-on activities and interactions with researchers working in oceanography, marine biology, engineering and more.

Students connect *VIRTUALLY* with marine researchers and educators from the comfort of their homes for three days and engage in "Camp in a Box" activities on their own time. They then have the option to join for an extra in-person, socially distanced activity on the coast at beach or tide pool local to Newport! Additional details and logistics are provided below. [**REGISTER NOW!**](#)

4-H Central English/Spanish Weekly Activity Guide

While you're staying at home, check out our fun and educational weekly magazine. We encourage you to engage your children in these activities that entertain the whole family.

[August 2nd Edition](#)

[July 27th Edition](#) [July 20th Edition](#)

[July 12th Edition](#) [July 5th Edition](#)

Record Book Contest

We hope each member will consider submitting their record book for judging and ribbons! Books should be submitted to the Extension Office by **September 21 at 5:00 pm**. They will each be scored with comments and feedback provided. Awards for the top scoring record books will be announced in October. Before submitting, be sure to close out this year's records, review the [Record Book Guidelines](#), and self-score your book with the official [scoresheet](#). Call Nicole Wells: 541-344-0249, to schedule a time to drop off

Hands for Larger Service

A JOURNAL DEDICATED TO ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP IN YOUR COMMUNITY.

Civic Education: History and Cultural Heritage

Civic education is not just about learning the current ways of your community and government systems, but it is also about learning the history of your community and how today's systems came to be. This month, we challenge you to do some research and ask some questions to learn more about the history of your culture, community, and even your family! Learning about the past is the key to improving the future.



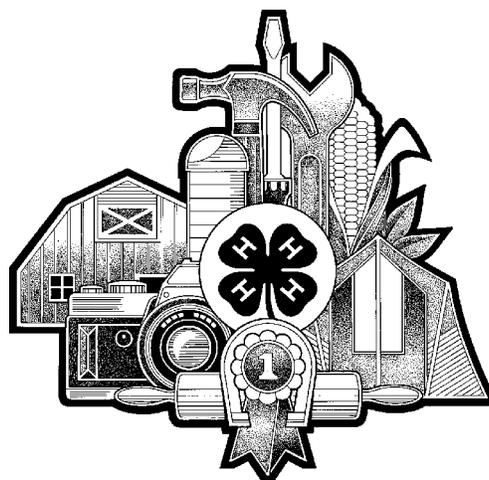
Take a Blast to the Past!



With your Community Club this month, create a cultural history board. The idea of this project is for you and your fellow club members to learn more about the history of your community. Your display board can focus on Oregon, Lane County, or even the town or location of your Community Club meetings. Bring ideas and supplies to your meeting this month, and be prepared to research some more as a club! When complete, display your board at your meeting facility, public library, or bring it to the Extension Office for display!

The Foundation of 4-H

The idea of hands-on learning and connecting youth to their community started in the late 1800's. In 1902, A.B. Graham started a youth program in Clark County, Ohio. This program is considered to be the birth of 4-H. In 1910, Jessie Field Shambaugh created the clover pin with an H on each leaf, and by 1912, clubs were called 4-H clubs. In 1914 the passage of the Smith-Lever Act developed the Cooperative Extension System, which nationalized 4-H. Check out more 4-H history [here!](#)



Contact 4-H Staff

with questions, comments, and to learn more about 4-H!

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