February 13, 2019

Even though I am sure all of our 4-H families have printed out our annual calendar and it is on their refrigerator in a place of honor, I felt it might be helpful to have a weekly reminder. To that end, I am trying something new with the Calendar of Events. I am hoping that helps with some of our upcoming deadlines. Let me know what you think.

There is a lot of new information this week so I will let you get on to reading.

**Calendar of Events** (all events at the Extension Office unless otherwise indicated)

**February 2019**
February 18: 4-H Dog & Livestock Skillathon, Communications, and Quiz Bowl Contests. Registration begins at 9:00 AM
February 21: 6PM Spring Classic Delegate & Coach Meeting

**March 2015**
March 1: Steer Possession Deadline for Market Steers
March 1: National 4-H Congress Applications Due
March 1: 4-H College Scholarship Applications Due by 5 PM
March 2: Steer Weigh-ins-Multiple Locations
March 2-3: Shooting Sports Training-Grants Pass
March 6: Teen Leadership Meeting 7 PM, Extension Office
March 10: Make-to-Show Acrylic Landscape Class
March 13: Show Pig Seminar, 6:30-8:30
March 14: YQCA Junior Member Training, 6:00-7:30 PM
March 26: YQCA Member Training (all ages) 6:00-7:30 PM

**NEW IN T-TIME TODAY**

**Shooting Sports Training March 2-3 in Grants Pass** I have attached a flyer for the shooting sports training in Grants Pass next month. Here is the website with information and a link to the registration page
[https://extension.oregonstate.edu/4h/outdoor-science-education-recreation#Training](https://extension.oregonstate.edu/4h/outdoor-science-education-recreation#Training)

**Dog & Livestock Contest Volunteer Help Needed, Monday, February 18**
Dog Bowl helpers needed from 9:30AM – 12PM
- Timer to run the bowl buzzers
- Board Score Keeper
- Record Scorer & Bracket Recorder
- Holding Room Runner

Livestock Bowl helpers needed from 12:30-4:30PM
- Timer to run the bowl buzzers
- Board Score Keeper
- Record Scorer & Bracket Recorder
Holding Room Runner

Communications Contest helpers needed from 1:15-3:30PM
- AV Equipment
- Timer
- Judges Attendant & Awards

Dog Judging Contest helpers needed from 9:30AM-1PM
- Group Leaders (3-4)
- 2-3 Scorers

Livestock Skillathon helpers needed from 9:30AM-12:30PM
- Group Leaders (3-4)
- 2-3 Scorers

Contact Laurie for more details at 541-236-3042 or laurie.michaels@oregonstate.edu

**Horse Superintendents Needed for the 2019 Douglas County Fair**

Matt and Lisa Smart have retired as our 4-H Horse Superintendents after serving many years in this capacity we wish them a FUN filled summer with their grand kids and family and truly appreciate their dedication, experience and joy that they have brought to our program.

The 4-H program is seeking applicants to apply to serve as part of an energetic and organized team to provide oversite for the Horse barn, show and arena at the county fair. Please review the 4-H volunteer superintendent job description and application and forward to folks who you believe would be interested or fill out an application yourself. Please contact Laurie Michaels with any questions at 541-236-3042. We would like to have all applications back by April 1st. Application is in the attachment email.

**Youth Quality Care of Animal Seminars (YQCA)** Two seminars will be offered in March. Youth will need to register at [http://yqca.org/](http://yqca.org/) and pay a $3 fee and adults can attend free. This is not a required class at this time, but may be required to remain a market auction participant in the future, MAC has not made a final ruling, but for this year, it is optional. March 14th is geared to Juniors, March 26 is for all levels. See the attached flyer (a very colorful flyer at that) for more information.

**Final Drive Showpig Sale** “It’s that time of year to start discussing show pigs for youth! OSU Swine Center will be attending the Final Drive sale hosted by McClain Farms and Willamette Showpigs on March 16th here on campus as a guest consignor with 4-8 head. Otherwise we plan to sell the rest of litters private treaty via barn sales. We had litters born Jan 6th, January 23rd and 2 litters born on the January 29th. Additionally we have 3 February born litters (2 litters born on the 7th and 1 on the 9th) with our last litter due to farrow later this week on the 14th!” See the attached flyer.

**4-H Scholarship Fundraiser** Miss Douglas County will lead two guided painting activities on March 2nd at the Douglas County 4-H Office. All ages are invited to paint with a $15 donation to 4-H! Each session will paint a different 4-H inspired picture of cute animals. Sweet treats and refreshments will be provided. Donations can be made without registering for the event. Please visit the registration link to
register for a session or make a donation! See the attachment. Registration Link: http://signup.com/go/rMwdtOU

UPCOMING EVENTS

REMINDER About Market Animal Members’ Possession and Enrollment Deadlines: Youth who are raising a market animal MUST be enrolled and have possession of their animal by the following dates:

- March 1: Market Steer
- April 1: Market Lamb
- May 1: Market Hog

Oratorical Contest Put on by the Optimist Club This local contest is put on by the local Optimist Club. Last year they only had one participant! They are hoping to increase participation. Obviously, the one person who participated won 1st place and a $250 prize (although I was told they did very well and deserved it). For more information, see the attached flyer.

Show Pig Seminar Will be Wednesday, March 13, 6:30-8:30 PM at the Extension Office in the upstairs auditorium. Jordan Baumgartner will talking about nutrition management, showing, and fitting. More information is on the attached flyer. You may register online for this (and the lamb/goat seminar mentioned above) at http://bit.ly/Douglas4H

Make 2 Show, 4-H Expressive Arts We are offering two workshops for expressive arts. Miss Amanda Clark (former 4-H member) will work with youth at each session to complete a project which will be displayed at the Extension Office to showcase their projects and then entered into the 2019 Douglas County Fair. Each workshop will be held from 1:30 to 3:30PM. Flyer is in the attachment email. Workshop dates are:
- Acrylic Landscape Class -Sunday, March 10, 2019
- Charcoal Drawing Class -Sunday, April 14, 2019

Douglas County 4-H College Scholarships Last week I sent information to 4-H members who are seniors in high school and have registered for 4-H this year. Douglas County 4-H offers up to six 4-H scholarships to graduating seniors or continuing education students who have been active in the Douglas County 4-H program. Scholarships are $500 or more depending on the scholarship and eligibility. I have attached the scholarship letter and application and they may be picked up in our office. High school seniors who are not yet enrolled in 4-H were NOT emailed the information.

Douglas County Farm Bureau Scholarship Application The DC Farm Bureau will award up to five scholarships in the amount of $1000 for local high school seniors. I have attached the application and policy statement. You may also pick up a copy in our office.

4-H Interstate Exchange Program is still accepting new members. Members must be enrolled in another 4-H project area and be in grades 7-11. It is a two-year commitment: one year hosting
and the other traveling. If you are interested contact Kristen Moyers at 541-817-6028 or Dixie Williams at 541-679-2323.

**Leggett’s YGB Livestock Camp** April 13-14. If you register by February 1st it is $50 off. See the attached flyer and here is the link for registering: https://form.jotform.com/YGBLivestockCamps/leggetts-ygb-livestock-camp-form
If you have questions contact Arica at 541-643-8508.

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**4-H OPPORTUNITIES**

**Events Around the State:**

**Youth Voices in Action (YVA)** Be where the action is! Join us for Youth Voices in Action/OLI II Conference in Salem, Oregon on March 24th – 27th. Youth Voices in Action/OLI II has something for everyone! First time attendees, returning participants AND adult chaperones. All youth in the 8th – 12th grade are welcome to attend (flyer in the attachment emails).

As a participant in the conference you will:

- Make valuable connections with government agencies
- Learn about our state government and how decisions are made
- Attend workshops to prepare you for jobs, communicating with peers & adults
- Polish your leadership skills and learn how to be involved in your community
- Build lasting friendships with youth from across the state

Registration fee is $250 (deadline March 1st) which covers all housing and meals for the conference. Participants will be staying in the elegant Grand Hotel and Salem Convention Center, 201 Liberty St. Salem, Oregon. Please contact your 4-H County Extension office for registration link and payment.

For more information contact:

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Today is Get a Different Name Day. In some cultures or religions, changing your name can reflect changes in your life. Sometimes a person just doesn’t like their birth name, so they may choose to change. You don’t even have to do it legally, just tell everyone to call you by a different name. My question to you is “what would you change your name to if you could?” From now on you can all call me ‘your majesty’….Just kidding. Have a great week everyone!

Teresa
e-classifieds:

- Looking to purchase 2 or 3 young female cavies of any breed. Please contact Kelly J. at 541-672-2093.

*e-classifieds are just information we disseminate to leaders; the Extension Office doesn’t guarantee or endorse any of the e-classifieds. We encourage you to check out things to the extent possible.

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