

# Pathways to Possibilities

OREGON 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

## March 2010 Newsletter

### HORSE

#### Spring Horse Classic

Entries for Spring Horse Classic are due in the state office by **April 2, 2010**. Please make sure you read the eligibility rules for the various contests.

All forms are available on the SHC website (see "2010 Event"). All entries need to be signed by the county agent. Along with the entries for each individual event, you will need to send in the County Payment Form and a check made out to "Oregon 4-H Foundation." We also require a Code of Conduct form for every participant, and a health form for every participant, coach, and volunteer.

Shirt orders and meal orders should be sent directly to Deschutes County. Those order forms are also on the website and are due by April 2.

Please urge adults from your county to volunteer at this event. We are always in particular need of people to score Oral Reasons and to work at Horse Bowl. Volunteer applications are available on the website and should be sent in with your county's registration.

Counties can combine members to form full teams. Let Roberta Lundeberg know if you have members who would like to participate in a team event but your county doesn't have enough members to form a full team by itself.

~ Roberta Lundeberg

## 4-H INTERSTATE EXCHANGE OPPORTUNITIES

### Kansas Group Looking to Exchange with an Oregon County

Kathy Lamb, leader for Harper County 4-H Exchange Program in Anthony, KS is interested in exchanging with a county in Oregon.

Here is a little information about the group in Kansas:

The group is located in the South Central part of Kansas, about 45 miles SW of Wichita. The group of 4-Hers are very anxious to meet new people and make new friends and are interested in exchanging with a county in Oregon.

The group finished their 4th Exchange and is looking for another group to exchange with for the 2010 & 2011 year. They would like to travel in July 2010 and host in July 2011. They have a group of about 6 kids from the ages of 13 – 18, and are trying to recruit more at this time.

Some of the activities offered in Kansas on past exchanges:

**Dinner Theatre and "Talking Tombstones"** - A town full of cowboy & bank robbery history. While there we attended the "Talking Tombstones" of historical characters and a dinner theatre about the history of the town

**Lake Afton Observatory** - Astronomy, Telescopes, etc.

**Oklahoma City Bombing Memorial** - Toby Keith Restaurant, Water Taxi, Shopping

**Hutchinson Underground Salt Mine Museum, Kansas Cosmosphere** (Astronaut & Space Museum), & Dinner at an Amish Restaurant

**Salt Plains** - Dig for Salt Crystals

**Picnics, BBQ's, Chuckwagon Supper, Ice Cream Party & outside movie under the stars**

There is a web page of the past exchanges if you would like to check them out at:

<http://www.harper.ksu.edu> Go to the 4-H button on the left and then to 4-H Programs on left hand side. We will be having a meeting soon. Please contact Kathy Lamb directly if your county is interested in this opportunity:

Kathy Lamb, Harper County Extension, Kansas (620) 842-5445 or email at:

[klamb@oznet.ksu.edu](mailto:klamb@oznet.ksu.edu)

~ Lillian

## PUBLICATIONS

### Newly Revised

4-H Food Preservation Leader Guide, 4-H 9331L is now available online only at

<http://ir.library.oregonstate.edu/jspui/bitstream/1957/13858/1/4-h9331l.pdf>

~ Helen Pease

## RECOGNITION

### National 4-H Beekeeping Essay

Please join me in congratulating Sandie Shelton, of Jackson County, who was recently selected as the state winner for the National 4-H Beekeeping essay competition. All of the essays submitted this year were of very high quality and we hope to get them published in the Oregon State Beekeeping Association newsletter!

~ Helen Pease

## STAFF DEVELOPMENT

### Monthly Meet-Ups

The next monthly meet up is scheduled for Weds, March 24, 10 to 11am.

## SUMMER CONFERENCE

Class proposals are due the **first week of March**. Thank you to everyone who has already submitted one.

T-shirt designs need to be submitted by **March 19**. Send them to Sara Miller.

Registration and bus fees will remain the same as last year.

~ Roberta Lundeberg

## VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT

The Southwest Regional 4-H Leaders' Forum was held on February 6, 2010 and attended by 68 very enthusiastic volunteer leaders, teens, judges and staff. 15 workshops were presented on subjects ranging from making flower arrangements, 4-H records, résumés and scholarships, Cloverbuds, showmanship and state/national 4-H opportunities. Roseburg High School was kind enough to let us use their new Arts Center Building for the event and it was an awesome venue for the forum.

Special thanks to all the presenters for the workshops; to Tracy Martz, Douglas County 4-H agent for making all the arrangements for the building and the lunch; Sara Miller and the OSU Collegiate 4-H group for coming to present 2 workshops; Vicki Avery and Jeremy Green for presenting "Gone to the Dogs" workshop with Teresa Hall and Ann Dickerson for the large group of dog leaders and teen members; Shana Withee and Kelley Basey for driving from Burns to present the Photography workshop; staff from Douglas, Josephine, Curry, Coos, Lane,

Yamhill and Jackson Counties for helping us gather and process the registration forms and fees.

Leaders responded favorably to the regional training since it saved driving time/miles/dollars for gas; can be done in one day by most participants to save lodging costs; gives updates on subject matter, as well as networking with other leaders; groups leaders from geographic areas that have common interests and challenges.

~Mona Easley