Pathways to Possibilities

OREGON 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Oregon 4-H Newsletter ~ August 2011

Calendar

August 2011

August 4: Delegates arrive home from Japan
August 19: Japan delegates leave their host counties
August 19-23: State Horse Fair
August 20: Japan delegates return to their home country
August 21: Finnish delegate returns to her home country
August 26 – September 5: State Fair

September 2011

September 17: Horse Leaders Forum, Lake County
September 24: Horse Leaders Forum, Clackamas County

October 2011

October 2 – 8: National 4-H Week
October 5: 4-H National Youth Science Day
October 22: Horse Leaders Forum, Wheeler County
October 29: Horse Leaders Forum, Umatilla County

For more 2010-2011 calendar events go to http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/calendar

HORSE

State Horse Fair Updates and Information

Important information about updates to State Horse fair, deadlines for entries, reservations for stalls, camping and dorms can be found in the attached pdf file.

MARKETING

New Promotional Pamphlet Available

You will soon be receiving the new promotional pamphlet that you ordered from EESC. We hope you will use it in conjunction with the National 4-H week marketing materials that are offered below. Start *Your Revolution* today!

~ Helen Pease

National 4-H Week - October 2-8, 2011 - is a great time to promote 4-H in your community and encourage others to *Join the Revolution of Responsibility!*

You can find promotional collateral in the 2011 National 4-H Week toolkit on 4-H.org.

Use these materials to celebrate 4-H'ers by sharing their stories and recognizing their commitment to making positive impact in their communities. This year the focus for National 4-H Week is on the new brand campaign *Join the Revolution of Responsibility*.

The Revolution of Responsibility is a movement for positive change in every community in America. The campaign illustrates how 4-H youth are breaking through obstacles and pushing our country forward by making a measurable difference right where they live.

4-H Week provides an opportunity to celebrate the impact 4-H'ers make and draw more attention to 4-H in your community. During 4-H Week, encourage new youth, volunteers, and supporters to get involved with 4-H and to *Join the Revolution of Responsibility* by giving their time, energy, or dollars to help 4-H youth make positive change in your community.

There's so much to be excited about during this year's National 4-H Week! Use these materials now to plan ahead, share or inspire Revolution of Responsibility stories, engage in the National Science Experiment, and spark enthusiasm about 4-H.

Questions? Contact 4hmarketing@4-H.org.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Monthly Meet-Ups

The next monthly meet up is scheduled for Weds, August 17th, from 10 to 11am. This meeting will be held via webinar; instructions on how to attend will be emailed to counties.

RECOGNITION

New State 4-H Ambassadors Selected

Please join in congratulating the following individuals who were selected to represent the Oregon 4-H program for 2011-2012:

- Raquel Albee, Marion County
- Makai Bradley, Benton County
- Joshua Edwards, Benton County
- Tessa Gourley, Benton County
- Sam Greydanus, Benton County
- Logan Justice, Linn County
- Shannon Leigh, Benton County
- Caleb Lennon, Josephine County
- Emilee Patterson, Union County
- Juli Peters, Polk County
- Lauren Riback, Clackamas County
- Katie Waldo, Benton County

Returning ambassadors are:

- Sarah Gordon, Douglas County
- Andrea Hunter, Yamhill County
- Carly Lowe, Wasco County
- Donielle Miller, Linn County
- Marisa Owens, Benton County

STATE FAIR

Contest Scheduling

Don't forget that Mini Meal, Food Prep, Iron Chef, and all Presentations contests need to be scheduled in advance. Specific instructions for scheduling are here. Contest scheduling will be available starting on August 1.

State Fair Help

We still need help in the exhibit building at the Oregon State Fair. Full information can be found at http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/volunteer-state-fair Clerking or helping with setup is actually a lot of fun and is a great way to get to know the ins and outs of a project area.

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Teen Staff at State Fair

There are many opportunities for 4-H members to help at State Fair. Application forms are available on the website http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/volunteer-state-fair and they are due in the state office by August 10. Jobs range from working a few hours in the Exhibit Building, to a day at Horse Fair, to six days in the Livestock office. Please encourage your responsible members to apply and help us make this a great fair!

STATE 4-H DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEES

State Committee Openings Available

Please let your members and leaders know about the State 4-H committee interest form available on the web. http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/staff-advisory-councils-and-committees

Interest forms can be submitted at anytime, although there are priority deadlines listed. The information from these forms is used to populate a database that we reference when filling vacant positions.

~ Roberta Lundeberg

SCIENCE

New Science Inquiry Video Series

A series of 10 new Science Inquiry videos is now available. These videos can also be accessed through our website Congratulations to the Science Inquiry Team (Pat Willis, Jon Mayer, Lynette Black and Jeremy Green) for an outstanding job on the videos. Please share these video resources with your volunteers, to help them learn how to introduce science into their various project areas. Accompanying handouts will be available in the near future.

~ Helen Pease

National 4-H Science Experiment

The 2011 National 4-H Science Experiment is *Wired for Wind*, an in-depth look at renewable energy technologies in the form of wind-power. This three-tiered experiment will help 4-H young people to enhance their science, engineering, technology and applied math skills by allowing them to:

- Design, build and test two different wind turbine models,
- Experiment with variables by examining three different blade pitch angles to determine the effect of pitch on rotor speed,
- Relate their scientific experiences back to their own lives by determining how their communities can harness the power of wind and create a more sustainable and clean energy system, and
- Determine the best location for a potential wind farm in their state or local area by calculating wind power and studying wind data and maps.

This year, *4-H National Youth Science Day* will take place on October 5, 2011.

Participation in *4-H National Youth Science Day* is meant to help spark an early passion for science, engineering and math and to encourage young people to consider these paths of study and future careers.

To learn more about *4-H National Youth Science Day,* how you can participate locally or to download program materials, go to www.4-H.org/NYSD

~ National 4-H Council

STATE 4-H OFFICE

Items for Fair and Other Events

Do you need photo hangers or wool tags? Contact sherri.sarver@oregonstate.edu to place your order. You will be invoiced by the 4-H Foundation for hangers at $7 per 100. Wool tags are available at no charge.

4-H pencils are no longer available. Pathways to Possibilities pocket folders are 50 cents each. Plastic pins with Oregon outline and clover in the middle are 25 cents each.

~Sherri Sarver

VIDEOS

New Video series on Dog Obedience and Showmanship Available

Thanks to an innovative grant from the Oregon 4-H Foundation, we were able to develop some educational videos for 4-H youth and volunteers. The first series of videos is on 4-H Dog Obedience and Showmanship, and is listed under “Video Resources”. Please share these with your youth and volunteers. Any feedback would be very welcome!

~ Helen Pease