

Pathways to Possibilities

OREGON 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Oregon 4-H Newsletter ~ October 2010

4-H Calendar – Upcoming Events

October 2010

October 3 – 9: National 4-H Week

October 6: [4-H National Youth Science Day](#)

October 12 – 16: [Epsilon Sigma Phi \(ESP\) National Conference](#) – Jackson Hole, WY.

October 15 - 17: Invitational Multi-State 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Forum - Spokane, WA.

October 18 – 19: [The Bridge from School to Afterschool and Back Conference](#) – Vancouver, WA.

October 24 – 28: [National Assoc. of Extension 4-H Agents Conference](#) – Phoenix, AZ.

November 2010

November 1: Application [Deadline for National 4-H Conference](#)

November 1: Application Deadline for 4-H Foundation [Grants](#)

November 1: Gold Round, Oregon 4-H Mail-in Archery Tournament

November 5 – 7: Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup – Louisville, KY.

November 5 – 16: National 4-H Livestock Judging Contest – Louisville, KY.

November 8 – 13: [American Evaluation Association National Conference](#) – San Antonio, TX.

November 17: Oregon 4-H [Hall of Fame](#) ceremony (part of OSUEA awards night)

November 18 – 19: National 4-H Poultry and Egg Conference

November 19: Deadline for Oregon 4-H Leader Forum Workshops RFP's

November 25-30: [National 4-H Congress](#) – Atlanta, GA.

(For a complete 2010-2011 State 4-H calendar visit <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/calendar>)

ANIMAL SCIENCE

World Dairy Expo Results

The Oregon Dairy Judging team recently placed 13th out of 30 teams at the National 4-H Dairy Judging Contest in Madison, Wisconsin. Selected from contestants at the State Dairy Judging Contest last May, the team members were Rebecca Thomas, Washington County and Hayden Bush, Kristen Kaste and Rachel Porter, all from Tillamook County.

Team workouts were led by Ben Krahn, OSU Dairy Center Manager and 4-H Coach, Jim Krahn of Oregon Dairy Farmers. Becky (Hogan) Heimerl provided leadership for the team in Madison. Thank you to Ben, Jim and Becky for all their leadership and congratulations to the team for their success! The next state dairy judging contest will be held on Monday, May 2, 2011 at the OSU Dairy Center. ~Vicki Avery

ATV SAFETY

Oregon 4-H Seeks Volunteer Evaluators for the Oregon ATV Safety Program

Riding an ATV is a way for many youth and adults to connect with each other and the great outdoors. The Off Highway Vehicle system in Oregon provides miles of well established and maintained trails for young and old alike. As an **Oregon ATV Safety™ team member**, you can share your enthusiasm for ATVing by giving back to the ATV community. Every year brings more riders of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities to the sport. The future of the sport and the health and well-being of young riders depend on people like you. You have the talent to make a difference in the safety and well-being of these new riders TODAY!

Oregon ATV Safety Volunteer Evaluator training gives you the skills necessary to appraise the ability of young riders to demonstrate their ability to safely operate the ATVs they normally ride. It's important to the safety of these young riders and the future of the sport that these young people understand how to ride safe, smart, and ethically.

Oregon ATV Safety team members are volunteers with the passion, enthusiasm, and drive to engage young people in a rider evaluation process. The evaluation assists young riders with their understanding and management of risks associated with ATVing. With your help, our community's youngest citizens will participate in a recreational activity that can provide a lifetime of safe, fun, exciting ATV adventures.

Take this opportunity to apply and be part of the Oregon ATV Safety™ team. Additional Information and application can be found at <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/atv>.

~ David J. White

CITIZENSHIP GRANTS and DONATIONS

- 1) The ACTIVATE OREGON Program, would like to make a donation to a 4-H group that is planning a community service (or Community Pride *[see below]*) project, that would involve a contribution of personal items to needy youth or adults. Specifically, the donation includes about 75 new shirts (sizes XL to XS) from Columbia Sportswear. The shirts are light weight, mostly short-sleeve shirts, many different colors, for males and females, children and adults.

A 4-H club, or group of independent 4-H members, may submit a proposal for use of the Columbia Sportswear shirts, by completing the three (3) statements and taking the steps listed below. (One or two proposals will be selected to receive the shirts.)

The shirts can be part of a community service or civic engagement project. By accepting and using this donation, a 4-H group can practice learning in one or more of the four essential elements of 4-H: belonging, mastery, independence, and generosity.

- a. Our 4-H club/group will practice (*name one or more of the four Essential Elements*), by using Columbia Sportswear shirts to....
 - b. The donated shirts can make a big difference in this project because... (*No more than 1 paragraph.*)
 - c. The 4-H name & emblem will be visible during our project because we will... (*No more than 1 paragraph.*)
 - d. **AND**, List the county name, group name, and participating 4-H member names, at the end of the proposal.
 - e. THEN, e-mail the proposal to: Marilyn.lesmeister@oregonstate.edu. BY NOVEMBER 1, 2010
(In the SUBJECT LINE, note "Proposal to use Columbia Sportswear Shirts.")
- 2) Every year the Oregon 4-H Foundation offers Community Pride grants to support 4-H club involvement their community(s). These grant funds can help 4-H members learn, take action, and make important contributions in their community(s). There are three deadlines for clubs to apply for Community Pride grants: **November 1, 2010, January 1 and March 1, 2011. For more information and a application form to apply for a Community Pride grant through the OREGON 4-H FOUNDATION**
<http://www.oregon4hfoundation.org/grants.html>

Community Service is an opportunity for young people to get involved in the community for a "one-time," or short-term, project.

Civic Engagement is an opportunity for young people to make a commitment to: be involved, address a need, help make decisions, interact with adults (and diverse individuals), and contribute to a community (or issue) on an ongoing basis.

~Marilyn Lesmeister

PROMOTIONAL ITEMS

New "4-H: Powered by Orange" bumper stickers and ad slicks are now available to help counties promote their 4-H program. The bumper stickers are available for pick up in Pati Craven's office (pati.craven@oregonstate.edu), or can be picked up at the Outreach and Engagement conference in November. The promotional ad slick is attached.

RECOGNITION

Oregon 4-H Tech Wizards program has been selected as one of three National 4-H youth mentoring programs. It will be replicated in 20 states across the nation. Consequently, Oregon State University will receive funds from this \$ 5 million grant from Department of Justice's Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to support the replication process. Congratulations to **Patrick Proden, Octaviano Merceias-Cuevas, and Pat Willis** for their role in preparing the grant proposal.

Hall of Fame

Please plan to attend the OSUEA Recognition dinner on Weds, Nov 17th, during the Outreach and Engagement conference at OSU. The 2010 Oregon Hall of Fame inductees (Elaine Husted, Janet May, Stan Miles, Tammy Skubinna, and Ed and Jan Starkey) will be receiving their awards at the banquet ~ Come and show your appreciation for all they have contributed to Oregon 4-H!

Chintimini Kennel Club Scholarship winners

Congratulations to the following 4-H members who were selected for \$ 1500 college scholarships sponsored by the Chintimini Kennel Club:

Zachary Davis, Marion County
Ariana Meltvedt (Snow), Union County
Jessica Markham, Polk County

For more information about applying for 2011 Chintimini Kennel Club college scholarships, please contact Vicki Avery.

REVISED PUBLICATIONS

Owning a Dairy Cow or Goat (EM 9011) has been revised and is now online at <http://ir.library.oregonstate.edu/jspui/bitstream/1957/18401/1/em9011.pdf> This publication was originally published as FS 201.

~ Helen Pease

SHOOTING SPORTS

Mail-in Archery Tournament Set to Begin

The 2010-2011 4-H Mail-in Archery Tournament is scheduled to begin November 1 with the Gold Round. It is followed by the NFAA Indoor in December, FITA Indoor in January, NFAA Field in February, Novelty Animal in March, and NFAA Indoor in April. The rules and tournament report form (461-01, 461-02) sheets are available on-line at <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/shooting-sports>. Remember, junior level 4-H members are now allowed to use mechanical releases. However, a junior's use of a mechanical release is only permitted with permission from his or her state qualified archery club leader. Also, tournament reports are not being sent to the state 4-H office this year. They are to be sent to Brian Evans in Deschutes County. Please follow the mailing instructions found in the rules.

Enjoy the tournament season.

~David J. White

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Monthly Meet-Ups

The next monthly meet up is scheduled for Weds, October 20 from 10 to 11am. This meeting will be held via webinar...instructions on how to attend will be emailed to counties.

VOLUNTEERS

The bi-annual **National Extension Conference on Volunteerism “Recruit, Ready, Retain”** will be held April 18-21 in Coeur d’Alene, Idaho. This conference is a great opportunity for networking, learning, gathering resources and ideas. Many 4-H staff attend, but the conference welcomes any Extension staff who partner with volunteers and manage volunteer programs, such as: Master Gardeners, Wildlife Stewards, etc.

Key Dates:

- **Deadline for Submitting Proposals: October 29, 2010**
- Early Bird Registration Due: Feb 18, 2011
- Registration Deadline: March 18, 2011

Purpose:

- opportunity for sharing and learning the latest research and trends in volunteerism
- gain innovative ideas for reaching new volunteers, investigating best practices for developing and retaining current volunteers
- strengthen volunteer management efforts
- gather tools and skills through interactive sessions and networking with colleagues
- develop plans to utilize new resources

Website

- <http://www.4h.uidaho.edu/default.aspx?pid=119530>
- Includes workshop proposal forms and conference information

~ Marilyn Lesmeister