

Deschutes County 4-H
Weekly Update

Dates to Remember:

- Sat, Feb 16; All Day
Idea Fair
- Tue, Feb 19; 6 pm
Auction Committee
- Wed, Feb 20; 7-9 pm
SHC Practice
- Fri, Feb 22; 5 pm
State Scholarship
Apps DUE!
- Sat, Feb 23; 8:30 am
Tech Game Challenge
Training
- Sat, Feb 23;
C.O. Symphony
- Tue, Feb 26; 6: pm
New Leader Training
- Wed, Feb 27; 7-9 pm
SHC Practice
- Tue, Mar 5; 6 pm
Advisory Meetings
- Wed, Mar 6; 9 am
Science Day at Tom
McCall
- Wed, Mar 13; 7-9 pm
SHC Practice



Don't Forget
these
Major Events!



Idea Fair
Sat, Feb 16
9 am - 4 pm



Advisory Meetings

Horse, Livestock, Small
Animal, Dog, and Home Ec

Tue, Mar 5; 6 pm

Clover Companion

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Advisory Meeting Schedule Suffering Major Change

Please review!

March meeting moved because of Spring Conference—Candi is expected in attendance. May meeting moved because of when weigh-in was going to be, now moved back because weigh-in moved again. July meeting moved because Candi was committed to a horse show a couple years ago. So, the correct/current schedule is:

- Tue, March 5
- Tue, May 14
- Tue, July 2
- Tue, September 10
- Tue, November 12

I am very sorry for the continuing change. A little too much craziness.



Idea Fair

This Saturday, Feb 16!
Just show up and register at the event.

Presentations Contest

It looks like we had a bit of a misprint in our last newsletter. Presentations are **Saturday, May 11, 2013** at Comfort Suites in Redmond. Remember, any topic can potentially help you out with high point. There is no better life skill than public speaking—sign up and enjoy the fun!



Happy Valentines Day!



Weigh In Date

Re-Scheduled Again ~ Final-Final Answer

The swine, sheep and goat weigh-in has been re-scheduled in response to leaders' and FFA advisors' request. It is now **Thursday, May 30, 2013. 4-7 pm.**

On a Similar Note...

Just because weigh-in isn't until May 30, doesn't mean the possession date has changed. You should still have ownership and **possession of your animal by May 15!**

Community Service Project Needs Your Help! (Soon)



Could I get 5-8 people (members/adults) to help put LEGOs in kits and prepare for a school enrichment project that's coming up. Should be easy and fun; probably take 3 hours in an evening and we're pretty flexible with the date. Give Candi a call if your group can help out—we'll use the conference room at the office in Redmond. 541-548-6088 x 7954 or candi.bothum@oregonstate.edu



CHARACTER

Personality can open doors, but only character can keep them open.
— Elmer G. Letterman

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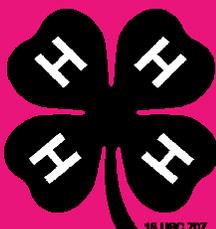
Also, check out these websites:

Oregon 4-H

oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/

Deschutes County Extension

Extension.oregonstate.edu/deschutes



Need Servers for C.O. Symphony

Saturday, Feb 23 at 7 pm ~ Sunday, Feb 24 at 1:30 pm ~ Monday, Feb 25 at 7 pm
Another very fun and important event for a good cause. It just takes 8 or so club members and/or parents to help serve cookies and drinks at the symphony. Doesn't take a lot of time, it's fun, and the kids get to dress up and meet an audience we don't often get to interact with. Give Kelly Conklin a call to get signed up! 541-322-0493

Perspective from Cousin Katy

Recently, while trolling Facebook, I had the pleasure of reading a post written by one of my cousins. Katy is a bit younger than I am, did most of her growing up days in Joseph, OR in Wallowa County, graduated from New Mexico State, for several years was the Executive Director of Texas Hill Wineries and now works for one of the Vineyards near where she lives in Johnson, TX, as a marketing genius. I asked her if I could share her comments with you and she agreed—she's quite a gal and her comments are worth the read...

Today begins the stock show in my Texas hometown. The event among others never fails to remind me of how thankful I am that my family was a "show" family with horses, sheep and pigs. It provided an early understanding of birth and death, desirable traits, disposition, conformation and character. It instilled some common sense that pays off in other areas of life - never feed in the dark and you don't eat until your animals do. Animals, children, friends and family are all a gift from God and while your care for them on earth is temporary it should be exemplary. Ribbons aren't handed out to the whole team just for showing up. Blues go to the kids that worked the hardest setting their work ethic for a life time. It takes more savvy to ride a push button pony than a plow broke one and always, always keep showing no matter how you think the judge might of just placed you. In my life now, that often involves fine dining with white linens and black ties - I can always seek and spot the other Agrarian souls in the room and an instant fondness almost always ensues. What I wouldn't give to have one more lesson in the arena with my Grandfather, a morning at the car wash with my sisters and mom washing horses and water scraping like madmen. To see my Dad in the stands videoing 20 years before the world became obsessed with getting life on film. Or that moment in life when your heart of hearts is broken and your thoughts are cloudy, but you can bury your face in the neck of your horse and his love for you back is unending. These are the things I'll be eternally grateful for. KJB



Conviction is worthless unless it is converted into conduct. — *Thomas Carlyle, Scottish historian and author (1795-1881)*

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