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PLEASE READ: *Mandatory Work Day August 8th! 4-H'ers showing horses on August 8th may do their work hours on Friday, August 7th from 5 – 8 PM.*

~Posters and Record Books to be judged and eligible for State Fair ARE DUE at the Extension Office July 30th~

IMPORTANT!!!

There are changes to the premium book that affect 4-H'ers!

SEE BELOW:

2009 Premium Book Page 2

PLEASE NOTE CHANGES! ALL 4-H EXHIBIT HALL ENTRIES NEED TO BE IN BY 2:00PM ON TUESDAY, 8/11. WE HOPE THIS ALLOWS FAMILIES WITH LIVESTOCK HAUL-IN TO MINIMIZE THEIR TRIPS TO THE FAIRGROUNDS. PLEASE ALSO NOTE ALL POSTERS AND RECORD BOOKS ARE DUE IN THE FAIR OFFICE JULY 30TH.

ENTRY DATES AND TIMES 4-H DIVISION:

**WSU Extension, 4-H office
PO Box 790,
710 SW Rock Creek Dr.
Stevenson, WA 98648
(509) 427-3932**

GREEN CARDS (Animal Entry Forms) are due July 1st. Please return to the Fair Office or send to: Skamania County Fair Office, PO Box 790, Stevenson, WA 98648.

POSTER & RECORD BOOKS are due July 30th in the Fair Office

LIVE PERFORMANCES

NEW! Saturday, August 15th, 9AM in the Exhibit Hall.

Live performances Check-in 8:30AM

Live performance judging starts at 9:00AM.

1. Style Review
2. Demonstrations
2. Public Speaking
3. Performing Arts
4. Modeling

Awards Presentation at the conclusion of show.

Time will vary depending on number of entries.

FAIR EXHIBIT HALL BUILDING

Entries Accepted until Tuesday, August 11th at 2PM.

STILL LIFE ACTIVITY

1. Sewing
2. Fine Arts
3. Photography
4. Still Life Demonstrations
5. Fiber Arts
6. Knitting and Crocheting
7. Textile Arts
1. All pre-judged items
2. Applied Arts
3. Fishing
4. Canning
5. Educational Display booths
6. Table Settings
7. Mech. Sciences
8. Any items not pre-judged

1. Fresh Baked Foods

2. Agriculture

Use sign in sheet at entry desk for:

1. Hosting
2. Live Cooking
3. Demonstrations
4. Public Presentations
5. International Exchange
6. Public Information Displays

• **All Educational booths must be up and ready for judging by Tuesday, August 11th at 2:00 pm**

• **Pick-up time is Sunday, August 16th at 4:00pm.**

- **All items going on to State Fair must have paper work completed and left with Superintendent in Exhibit Hall. (Do not leave ribbons on items going to the State Fair)**

State Fair Information:

Washington State 4-H Fair

WSU Puyallup ❖ 2606 W. Pioneer ❖ Puyallup, WA 98371

Off Season (Oct 1 – Aug 15): 253-445-4630; Fax 253-445-4587
Fair Time (Aug 16-Sept 30): 253-770-5410; Fax: 253-770-5412

Email: st4hfair@wsu.edu

Website: <http://4h.wsu.edu/statefair/index.htm>



To: County 4-H Agents/Program Assistants
Volunteer County Coordinators
State 4-H Fair Board and Staff

From: Tom Gwin, Manager
Washington State 4-H Fair

Date: June 30, 2009

Subject: 2009 State 4-H Fair

The 2009 Washington State 4-H Fair will be held September 11-27 in Puyallup, in conjunction with the Western Washington Fair. Please review this information and the referenced materials. Share the information with those individuals involved with preparations for State 4-H Fair participation. We know this information will be helpful.

The State 4-H Fair fairgrounds office will open on August 18; phone 253-770-5410. The fairgrounds fax will not be available until August 21: 253-770-5412. You can continue to use the WSU Puyallup phone number; it will be programmed to forward your call. Please do not leave messages at WSU Puyallup after August 18.

I am not covering items in the 2009 State 4-H Fair Premium Book in this letter. This letter is to assist you in preparing your members for the fair.

The following items are discussed in this letter:

2009 State 4-H Fair Premium Book	Entry Tags and Forms
2009 Exhibitor Letters	Equine Entry Forms
Animal Allocations	Equine – Equitation Over Fences
Animal Alternates	Exhibitor Information Form 1.01m
Animal Entry Forms	Passes
County Activity Reports	Public Presentation/Public Speaking Report Form
Dog Entry Forms	Robotics in Action
Dormitories	Shipping Exhibits
Dormitory Reservations	State 4-H Fair Website

2009 STATE 4-H FAIR PREMIUM BOOK

The 2009 State 4-H Fair Premium Book is available online at <http://4h.wsu.edu/statefair/index.htm> There are several sections.....introduction, schedules, contests/activities, still life, livestock/small animals, and equine. Please print out the entire book or just what is needed for your participants.

2009 EXHIBITOR LETTERS

All exhibitor letters may be found on the State 4-H Fair website. Please note the sheep letter is separate from the other livestock species. There are also letters for our new activities this year. Please print out all letters for your participants. Please note that all participants should also receive 1.10m as it gives information on passes, parking, camping, etc.

ANIMAL ALLOCATIONS

Final animal allocations will be emailed via 4-H talk in July. Please note that exhibitors may show two different species of animals, provided the species have different show times. Fair personnel will not hold classes to accommodate this as we are already on a tight show schedule.

ANIMAL ALTERNATES

Equine-Cat-Llama-Dogs: Submit animal entry cards (CO945) for alternate equine, llama, cat, and dog exhibitors, clearly marking them and sequencing the as "Alt#1, Alt#2", etc. Make sure the exhibitor phone number is included on CO945. Alternate exhibitors will be contacted directly as space is available. It is very likely that alternates will be called.

Livestock-Rabbit/Cavy: Exhibitors should list, on CO945, all animals qualified at the county level that the 4-H exhibitor plans to bring to the State 4-H Fair. If possible, we will allow the exhibitor to bring all of their qualified animals. If necessary, we will reduce the total number of animals per exhibitor, rather than to eliminate exhibitors – if the number of animals is too large for our space/pens available. We will make contact with the affected exhibitors in that event; make sure the exhibitor telephone number is included on each CO945.

ANIMAL ENTRY FORMS

Animal Entry Forms (CO945) should be ordered from WSU Bulletins. The entry form should be completed at the county level, for each animal exhibitor, in classes 400-999. Completed animal entry forms are due by August 27 to the State 4-H Fair Office. The forms must be mailed; however, you can fax them to meet the deadline and then put the originals in the mail.

Each exhibitor should list all animal classes and lots (herdsmanship, fitting/showing, type, performance) on entry forms for each species. If the exhibitor is showing two different species of animals, they the exhibitor will have two entry cards. Dog obedience and dog agility should be on the same entry form.

Substitute animas will not be allowed at the State 4-H Fair if they were not qualified by the exhibitor at the county qualifying event. **In addition, participants may only enter classes at the State 4-H Fair if they have qualified in the same class at the county level. This is not a new ruling, but one we are having to enforce more often. It is the responsibility of County Extension Staff and volunteer county coordinators to oversee their entries and make sure members are only entering classes in which they have qualified.** Any exhibitor with an unqualified animal will be immediately removed from the show and sent home.

In the area on the entry form where the animal must be identified, the following information is needed by our superintendents to set up their show classes:

- ❖ **Rabbits/Cavies** should be listed with ear tattoo, as well as breed/variety and birth date.

- ❖ **Obedience Dogs** should be listed with their breed and given name, as well as obedience class title.
- ❖ **Agility Dogs** should be listed with breed and given name, as well as agility class and jump height.
- ❖ **Cats** should be identified by their class title, given name, and birth date.
- ❖ **Horses** should not be identified by breed, sex, name, age, tattoo or grand; the class titles should be listed instead. We need the height of all horses in the harness driving classes.
- ❖ **Llamas** should be listed by birth date and sex; in addition, the class titles should be listed.
- ❖ **Livestock** should be identified by birth date, breed, and class name. If animals are branded, tattooed, or tagged, that information can be included also.

We only accept animal entry forms for the County Extension Offices. By doing this, it certifies that you have reviewed the entry forms and the exhibitors are eligible for participation in the State 4-H Fair.

COUNTY ACTIVITY REPORTS

The following items are to be mailed, emailed, or faxed to the State 4-H Fair by August 27:

- ❖ WS4HF 1.06m – State 4-H Fair Public Presentation/Public Speaking Report
- ❖ WS4HF 1.07m – State 4-H Fair Activity Report
- ❖ WS4HF 1.09m – Kitchen Activity Report

If your county fair ends later than August 27, please complete the forms and send to us as soon as you can. We really need everything prior to Labor Day so we can work on the fair over that weekend. Your assistance in completing these forms will allow us to call alternates to participate in the fair.

DOG ENTRY FORMS

Please complete dog entries per the final allocation. Print a copy of Form 6.84 Dog Round Up. Complete the form, being sure to list which day they will be participating in Dog Obedience at the State 4-H Fair. This is especially important for counties with multiple days of dog obedience at the fair. All dog agility classes will be on Saturday, September 18.

DORMITORIES

Temporary residency in a State 4-H Fair dormitory is often essential if a 4-H member is to participate at the State 4-H Fair. Dormitories will open on Thursday, September 10 and close on Sunday September 27. Our dormitory fees are intentionally nominal, within reach of most families. However, dormitory use remains a responsibility and a privilege, not a right. Most of the time, our guests are responsible citizens, complying with our expectations and understanding the reasons for the restrictions that may be placed on their freedoms while at the fair. There are occasions when the 4-H youth and/or their parents forget that there are reasonable expectations of both the youth as well as his/her parent or chaperone. When those misunderstanding are discovered, your office will be notified. Disciplinary measures may be initiated by the Fair Manager, independent of any action from County Extension Staff. Due to our concerns for the safety and security of all our guests, we may emphasize seemingly unimportant expectations. We hope for your cooperation and support. Only enrolled 4-H leaders and immediate family member chaperones will be allowed in the dormitories as adults. Non-enrolled family members who are serving as chaperones are subject to a background check. **Please inform your dormitory residents that no mattresses will be provided this year due to sanitary reasons. Dormitory residents may bring their own eggshell-type mattresses, foam pads, or other appropriate items.**

This year's fees for the dormitories are:

<u>only)</u>	<u>Regular Dormitories</u>	<u>Overflow Girl's Dormitory (middle weekend</u>
	Exhibitor - \$5 per night	Exhibitor - \$3 per night
	Chaperone - \$10 per night	Chaperone - \$10 per night

Non-Exhibitor -\$25 per night (if available) Non-Exhibitor - \$25 per night (if space is available)

DORMITORY RESERVATIONS

We do not accept reservations for the dormitories. You may request housing in the dormitory by completing Form 1.01m Exhibitor Information Form. We have not turned any exhibitors away from the dormitory for the past six years.

ENTRY TAGS AND FORMS

We are using the same entry tags and entry forms as last year. You may order additional forms and tags from WSU Publications:

CO673 – Still Life Exhibit Tags

CO944 – Still Life and Activity Entry Form (green print)

CO945 – Animal Entry Form (blue print)

EQUINE ENTRY FORMS

Please complete equine entries per the final allocation. For each section, print a copy of Form 5.74h Equine Round Up (available online). Complete the round up for each equine section and wrap the entry forms for that section in the Round Up Form. Please send to us sorted in this manner.

EQUINE – EQUITATION OVER FENCES

There are two heights for the Equitation Over Fences class at this year's State 4-H Fair. This is the result of a recommendation going through the State 4-H Council Meeting. Please keep in mind that participants may enter only one of those classes. They must have qualified in the same height at the county qualifying show. For safety reasons, we will not allow exhibitors to either change or add one of these classes once they arrive at the fair.

EXHIBITOR INFORMATION FORM 1.01m

This form is available online. **It is required for all exhibitors who receive passes for admittance to the fair.** This form is used at the fair to certify that the exhibitor represents your county 4-H program, the member has an identified and approved chaperone, and that those exhibitors and family members who want access to the dormitory and shower facilities have county approval. **Please note new photo release on the back of the form.** The form should be completed, signed by the parent/guardian, and mailed to the State 4-H Fair Office so it arrives prior to the exhibitor's first day of fair participation.

PASSES

Each County Extension Office will receive complimentary gate passes in early August, based on your participation in the 2008 State 4-H Fair. Each 4-H member participating in this year's fair will receive one gate pass for themselves and one for a chaperone. On their first fair participation day, they will pick up additional passes at the State 4-H Fair Office.

Passes for county staff members and those volunteers who have county-assigned responsibilities at the State 4-H Fair will be included in your packet of passes. You can best identify those individuals and thus must distribute passes to them. We will not distribute passes to these individuals from the State 4-H Fair Office.

Please remember to return all unused passes to us at the end of September. We are responsible to the Western Washington Fair to wisely and fairly distribute their gift to our 4-H participants. We must return all unused passes to the WWF and report the actual usage in our final fair participation data for the year.

PUBLIC PRESENTATION/PUBLIC SPEAKING REPORT FORM 1.06m

This form is available online. I will be personalizing page 2 of the report form for each county, listing the times assigned to your county. This personalized page will be emailed to County Extension personnel next week. Please watch for the email and substitute your personalized page for the generic page on the report.

ROBOTICS IN ACTION

This was a late addition to the 2008 fair. We are continuing this activity in 2009 as it was quite popular and is a growing 4-H project. The Robotics in Action activity will take place on Sunday, September 19 in the Dog Benching Barn. Pre-qualification at the county level in this activity is not required. Please list your participants on the Activity Class Participation Form so we know how many participants to expect.

SHIPPING EXHIBITS

It is quite convenient, for all but the closest counties, to ship still life exhibits to the State 4-H Fair. If possible, exhibits should be sent in time to arrive prior to Labor Day. If they are coming from counties with fairs ending after Labor Day, they need to arrive on or before September 22.

Please include a completed packing list, of that box's contents, in each box. List the contents on Form 1.52b (available online). Please do not mail perishable food items. The boxes may not be opened for several days after receipt and judging will be on September 8th. Food could become quite stale before judging.

Checks or stamps to pre-pay return postage should be sent in a separate letter directly to the State 4-H Fair Manager. Please do not enclose cash, checks, or stamps in the shipping box. Include a copy of the packing list with your payment. You may ship your exhibits to us using any carrier; however, we will return your package via the US Postal Service.

Exhibits will be returned to senders in the same boxes they were delivered in. and using the same packing materials. Please pack carefully to prevent damage to your exhibits.

STATE 4-H FAIR WEBSITE

In addition to the premium book, the following forms/letters are available on the State 4-H Fair website <http://4h.wsu.edu/statefair/index.htm> :

INFORMATION NECESSARY TO COMPLETE RESPONSES

- 2009 Final Allocations – WA State 4-H Fair
- Form 1.05m 2009 Public Presentation Master Schedule
- Form 1.08m 2009 Kitchen Activity master Schedule

RESPONSES REQUESTED ON THE FOLLOWING REPORTS:

- Form 1.06m State 4-H Fair Public Presentation/Public Speaking Report
- Form 1.07m State 4-H Fair Activity Class Participation Report
- Form 1.09m State 4-H Fair Kitchen Activity Report
- Form 1.52b Postal Entry Report
- Form 5.74h County Horse Sections Round Up
- Form 6.84l County Dog Entry Round Up

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 4-H FAMILIES

- Form 1.10 General Information – Security, Parking, Passes/Tickets, Entrance Gates, Camper Space Rentals, Dormitories, Role of Parent/Leaders, Appropriate Dress
- Form 7.01 Puyallup Arena Motel List

TO BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE STATE 4-H FAIR BY OR FOR INDIVIDUALS:

Form 1.01m Exhibitor Information Form

EXHIBITOR LETTERS AVAILABLE:

Form 1.12m Exhibitor Letter – Judging Contests
Form 1.13m Exhibitor Letter – Groom Squad
Form 1.14m Exhibitor Letter – Equine
Form 1.16m Exhibitor Letter – Cats
Form 1.17m Exhibitor Letter – Obedience Dogs
Form 1.18m Exhibitor Letter – Sheep
Form 1.19m Exhibitor Letter – Rabbits/Cavies
Form 1.20m Exhibitor Letter – Livestock
Form 1.21m Exhibitor Letter – Llamas
Form 1.22m Exhibitor Letter – Kitchen Activities
Form 1.23m Exhibitor Letter – Public Presentations
Form 1.24m Exhibitor Letter – Fashion Revue/Creative Consumers of Fashion
Form 1.25m Exhibitor Letter – 4-H in Action/Performing Arts
Form 1.26m Exhibitor Letter – Agility Dogs
Form 1.27m Exhibitor Letter – Robotics in Action

Veterinary information from the State: <http://vetextension.wsu.edu/>

From the Horse Camp Photographer:

I'm trying out a new way to show a large amount of gallery pics through Smug Mug. It should make things easier than in past years.

The link is: <http://windowsonlife.smugmug.com/> and the password is **skamania** .

From Todd and Sally:

We have been working on our websites:

<http://skamania.wsu.edu/4-H.htm>

<http://skamania.wsu.edu/FYS.htm>

www.facebook.com – Skamania Extension

Cooperating agencies: Washington State University, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Skamania County. Extension programs and employment are available to all without discrimination. Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through you local Extension office. If you require special accommodation, call W.S.U. Extension Skamania County at (509) 427-3930 at least two weeks prior to the event.