

Sykes Returns To Research Team

The Oregon Employment Department's Workforce and Economic Research Division welcomes Shawna Sykes as the Workforce Analyst serving Clatsop, Columbia, and Tillamook counties. Sykes is returning to this position after having held it previously for nearly eight years.

Shawna is a graduate of Lewis & Clark College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics. She formerly served as the St. Helens-Scappoose Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, was a member of the Northwest Oregon Economic Revitalization Team and the Workforce Response Team of the Regional Workforce Investment Board. Shawna also serves as a Community Trainer for the Ford Family Foundation's leadership training program and as a member of the Oregon Community Foundation's North Coast Leadership Council.

As a Workforce Analyst,

Shawna supplies labor market and economic information to businesses, economic development organizations, government entities, and non-profit organizations to help them make informed business decisions. She can provide information about competitive wages for a variety of occupations, industry-specific and demographic data, recruitment and retention techniques, employment/unemployment trends, and other labor-related data. Shawna is also available to provide presentations about the local economy to area government officials, service clubs, and organizations.

Sykes is based out of the St. Helens office of the Employment Department but also meets with businesses in Clatsop and Tillamook counties. You can reach her weekdays from 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM at 503.396.7355 or via e-mail at Shawna.L.Sykes@state.or.us.

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Dairy Princess Adds To Count of Columbia County Royalty

Columbia County claims the most royalty reigning in the State of Oregon for 2010-2011. All these accomplished young women from Columbia County are: Miss Rodeo Oregon, McKenzie Carr; Miss Junior Rodeo Oregon, Haley Jones; Columbia County Rodeo Court, Queen, Emily Simpson; Princess Kelsey Lamphear; and Princess Emily Nodland. Add to this list, Amanda Worman, Columbia County Dairy Princess Ambassador. In May, former State Dairy Princess, Deanna Lemire, passed on her county crown to Amanda, while Heidi Larson,



Amanda Worman (center) is the Columbia County Dairy Princess Ambassador.

She is seventeen and graduated this year from home school. She is active in drama and plans to study film production at PCC. Besides working part-time at Fred Meyer, Amanda has been busy attending local parades and state events promoting dairy products. She presented awards to eight outstanding 4-H participants of the Dairy Show at the Columbia County Fair. Future Dairy Princess duties include answering questions in the Milking Parlor at State Fair, working in the Red Barn serving ice cream, and school presentations, among other appearances.

also a past County and State Dairy Princess, presided over the coronation themed "Happily Ever After," at the Scappoose Senior Center.

A m a n d a is the daughter of Jeff and Kathleen Worman of Scappoose.

Eyrrick to Compete at State Spelling Bee

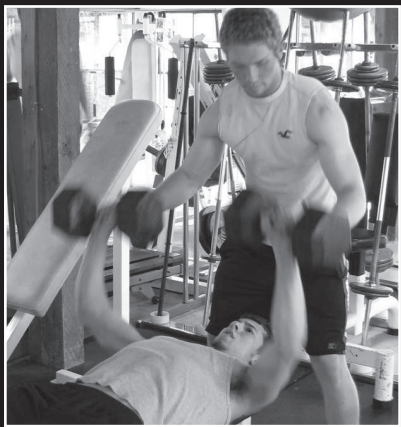
Kaitlyn Eyrrick will be competing at the state competition during the State Fair in September.

Eyrrick, who finished second at the county spelling bee for grades 1-5, will fill in for the County winner, who will be unable to attend the competition. Eyrrick will be entering fifth grade at Washington Grade school in Vernonia this fall.

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If you have questions about Columbia County Dairy Women, the Dairy Princess Program, or about scholarships, contact Diane Larson (503) 312-6130 or Pam Heimuller at (503) 369-1634.

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