

HAPPY TRAILS: A REPORT FROM THE RODEO ROAD

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Hello again,
Since my last article, I have not had that many appearances. I attended and judged the Jefferson County Fair and Rodeo Court pageant on October 8th in Madras. The contestants did really well overall and congratulations to the 2012 Jefferson County Fair and Rodeo Court, Queen Jessica and Princess Lindsey.

On October 15th, I had my Miss Rodeo America workshop where I was put in similar scenarios that I will be in

come December. I practiced multiple interviews, answered current event questions, and rode some new horses. It was such a great experience and I received really good feedback from everyone involved. Thank you again to everyone who helped out!

On October 29th, I attended the 2012 Clackamas County Fair and Canby Rodeo pageant. My good friend Haley Marsh was fortunate enough to win the Queen title and I know she will do an amazing job with her Princesses Carlie and Courtney. Congratulations girls!

Other than these minor events, I have been very busy rhinestoneing my leather dresses, scrapbooking, and studying. I am putting the finishing touches on my 21 outfit wardrobe. I cannot believe I will be taking that much clothing to a 7 day pageant. For those of you who are wondering how it's all getting to Las Vegas, we are hauling it down in a horse trailer! ☺

My last rodeo is coming up over the weekend of November 12th. It's the Columbia River Circuit Finals in Redmond, Oregon. Also taking place that weekend is my good luck party, which is being held at Desperado Couture in Bend, Oregon from 10:30 am to noon on Saturday the 12th. I would love to see you there!

From now until November 30th when we



Above: Mackenzie and her friends Miss Rodeo Idaho, Florida, Iowa and Nebraska visit the Mist School in September.

Right: Mackenzie and Miss Rodeo Montana goofing off in Tennessee.

leave for Las Vegas, I will be keeping myself busy studying, riding lots of horses, and putting finishing touches on my wardrobe. I cannot wait to represent the great state of Oregon at the 2012 Miss Rodeo America Pageant! I have included some of my favorite pictures from this amazing year. I hope you enjoy! Until next time.



Mackenzie and best friend Sammy, Miss Rodeo Florida at the Pendleton Round Up.

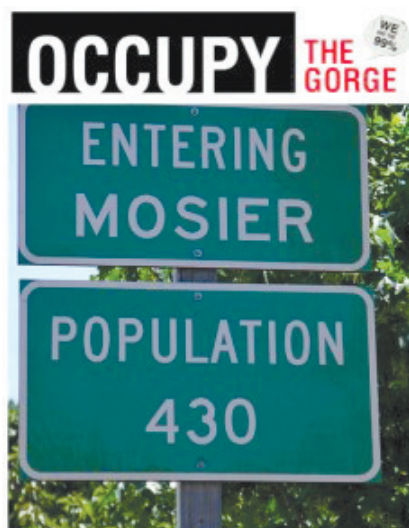
Oregon Small Town Becomes the Smallest U.S. City with Occupy Camp

There are no stoplights, the only gas station closed years ago and there is not a single multi-national corporation within five miles. But Mosier, OR, with a population of just 430, has become what is likely the smallest U.S. town to have an active Occupy camp.

Its backers from Mosier and other small communities of the Columbia Gorge are working to highlight their vision for a family friendly camp that can help counter national media coverage of the Occupy protests in recent weeks which has been dominated by images of

police and protestor clashes. While the group has stressed its solidarity with Occupy camps in urban cities across the United States, the group is adopting tactics and strategies they say reflect Wasco County's rural community values where the camp is launching.

Occupy Mosier, for example, is planned for a discrete 7-day period, starting November 4 after which time the camp may re-establish in another nearby community. A number of local camp participants presented their Occupy plans to the Mosier City Council before



the launch of the camp and have gone to significant lengths to secure a location where they can legally gather. The group has also invited local area Tea Party Activists to the camp to share tea and round-table discussion about areas where the Tea Party and Occupy movements can agree. The group expects 15 or more tents to be set up with hundreds of people visiting the camp during the week.

"Rural communities have been hit harder than anyone by the policies the Occupy movement has formed to fight and if we do this right we can attract a

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