

# Welcome to the 83rd annual WOE Heritage Fair and Gene Campbell Memorial Lumberjack Show !

## W.O.E.'s MISSION

The mission of the Western Oregon Exposition Heritage Fair is to carry on the American tradition of old-fashioned fun, entertainment and education in a safe, family environment. Our objective each year is to increase interest and broaden the knowledge base of agricultural practices, homemaking skills, industry growth and projects of youth and adults through exhibits, displays, demonstrations and contests.

## Welcome!

Thank you!

On behalf of the board and myself, I would like to thank the community for coming out last year and supporting the WOE. We have put a lot of effort in to revitalizing the now 83-year old fair. It has paid off. We are still providing the community with a wonderful family event and we are sticking to our mission statement! We sincerely would like to thank all of our sponsors and contributors and a dedicated group of all-volunteer personnel. The small entrance fee at the front gate helps us pay our bills and helps maintain the fairgrounds for future events. Last year we collected about 650 pounds of food for community sharing, so, let's try to beat that record by everyone bringing a can of food to the fair. You will receive \$1 off of the adult entrance fee of \$3. Watch for \$1 off coupons to reduce fair admission even more! And kids 12 and under are still free!

This year, as you will see, we are bringing a great line-up of music, entertainment and great food for all to enjoy. Be sure to check out the **BLUE SKYS BIG BAND** on Saturday evening (complete with a new dance floor), and **COWBOY CADI-LAC** for the closing act. Don't forget about the terrific **Gene Campbell Memorial Lumberjack Show** starting Friday. Be sure to get your exhibits ready. Bring and enter your collections, textiles, canned foods, baked goodies, art projects and many more. Please see our Exhibit Information included in this special edition of the Sentinel. As they say we truly have "something for everyone." Please invite your family and friends to come out and enjoy the fun!

See you at the fair!

Judy Cash, W.O.E. Board President



## Opening Ceremonies- Friday, Aug. 14, 10 a.m.

Cottage Grove's VFW Carl Keibelbeck POST #3473 will officiate the Opening Ceremony of Flag Raising and lead the Star-Spangled Banner at 10 a.m. Friday, August 14 for the opening of the gates to the 2015 Western Oregon Exposition Heritage Fair. Cottage Grove became home to the Veteran's of Foreign Wars post in 1948. They serve all veterans. They are known

for hosting great dinners and pancake breakfasts at the post to help raise money for their many charitable works. You might see their trailer handing out free coffee to travelers at our I-5 rest stops. The ladies prepare boxes to send to service men and women overseas every Christmas. Members of the post will be greeting you at the front gate again this year.