Commodity groups support Fair

By BIRDINE TULLIS

Morrow County is wheat, cattle and sheep country. The commodity groups and auxiliaries of the groups offer many awards at county fair to compliment the use of their products, or promote the industries, as well as supporting their communities. Reading through the fair premium book you'll notice many events sponsored by those industries.

MARKET ANIMAL AUCTION - LIVESTOCK GROWERS

The Morrow County Livestock Growers Association sponsors the Market Animal Auction, Thursday, August 27. That's where the 4-H and FFA boys and girls sell their animals to the highest bidder. That is also the place where you can get a choice beef, swine or lamb for your locker. New this year will be the auction of small animals raised by 4-H'ers in their project. Look for rabbits, ducks, and maybe even a chicken or two coming across the floor.

PIG SCRAMBLE - LIVESTOCK GROWERS

A "sure to be popular" addition to the auction is the return of the pig scramble. The scramble for those wishing to get a start in the 4-H swine project, will held just before the auction. Come early for a good seat.

The livestock growers are there in person to see that all animals get a good sale, as well as seeing that each 4-H'er and FFA member receive their money right on the spot. The Morrow Auction is unique in this respect; it only happens because the Livestock Growers underwrite the sale. Come prepared to pay for your purchase that night, please.

CAKE BAKING CONTEST - WHEAT LEAGUE

One of the most popular contests for the women at the fair is the Wheat League Cake Baking Contest. It is sure to have lots of entries this year, for their choice of a recipe is a delicious chocolate cake. It has been tried and approved by many home bakers in the county already. The winner will wear the blue soon after 8 a.m. on Tuesday morning. The Wheat League also offers that winner the chance to compete for a one hundred dollar award at a state bake-off next winter.

BUILD A BETTER BURGER CONTEST - COWBELLES

The CowBelles booth and cookery samples are always a popular addition to the fair, as well as their support of special awards for 4-H food preparation using beef. The "Build a Better Burger" contest drew a large number of 4-H boys and girls last year. This year the CowBelles announce a prize for everyone participating, as well as supplying the "ground beef" for the contestants. Come watch this imaginative contest at 5 p.m., Wednesday, August 26 in the 4-H Annex. All 4-H'ers are welcome to get into the fun of this contest!

SHEEP GROWERS AWARDS

The Auxiliary of the Sheep Growers, as well as local sheep producers Hank and Dode Krebs offer special awards for garments made of woolen fabric, and for woolen garments in style revue. Awards for use of lamb' in food preparation are available, too.

BAKING CONTEST - WHEATHEARTS

Wheathearts, the wives of wheat growers, include a special contest for 4-H'ers at fair, which is open to all members, too. Bake a product at home using whole grain, wheat germ, bulgar, or such product. Bring it to fair to be judged. Wheathearts were on hand last year baking tasty samples of wheat muffins: another popular and much appreciated addition to fair.

SPECIAL AWARDS

Browsing through the premium book, you'll see special awards offered by other groups or producers such as the Otter Trawl Commission, encouraging 4-H'ers to use their Oregon grown products.

The support of the commodity groups helps make the fair by encouraging competition. We like to think that their support is offered because they are interested in their county, community, and especially the development of the youth!

Burgers, dogs ice cream, drinks

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Hamburgers! Hot Dogs! Ice Cream! Soft Drinks! Get them at the 4-H Snack Shack during fair! Manned by volunteers who donate their time to help 4-H, the Snack Shack is open all during the fair to offer quick food service to all the hungry workers and visitors. Proceeds from the Snack Shack support the many special events of 4-H including scholarships, camp, and summer week at Corvallis.

Nadine Bailey, Heppner, will serve as supervisor for the Snack Shack this year, with Pete Richards, Irrigon, agian working as purchasing agent and general chairman. Parents, leaders, and older 4-H members make up the crews.

Small animal projects new at Fair

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Not all 4-H animals shown at county fair are the large ones. This year there will be exhibits from Small Animal Projects. Rabbits, chickens, and ducks are also shown by members as the judge makes his determination for a blue, red or white ribbon.

Pat Wright and Phyllis Piper, Lexington, leaders for a small animal project, tell us that their members are grooming animals now for county fair. Some will be sold at the market animal auction. Look for the new exhibits in the barn where Irene Anhorn, superintendent, has the open class poultry, rabbits, and other small animals.

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