

Awards program planned Aug. 17

Do you ever feel there is too much focus on what is wrong with youth today? Here is your chance to see what is great about Morrow County youth-attend the Morrow County Fair Awards Program, Saturday, Aug. 17, at 4:30 p.m. in the Livestock Pavilion. The Awards Program is a must for 4-H and FFA youth, parents, leaders and anyone who enjoys young people.

At the Awards Program, the 4-H and FFA awards are given, as well as Open Class Creative Hand Award. It is always fun to see older youth receive the traditional "Grand Champion" and "Outstanding..." awards. But it is also fun to see younger members receive the "Champion Junior Cookie Maker" or

"Most Enthusiastic Beginner Livestock Member" awards. Most awards are purchased by the Morrow County 4-H Leaders Council, with funds raised by volunteers through the donor campaign or snack shack operation. These awards are separate from fair premium awards.

"Every youth who completes project requirements, registers for fair on time and competes is a winner from my viewpoint," says OSU Extension youth and family agent Carol Michael-Bennett. "I encourage family, neighbors and friends of 4-H members to attend the awards program and congratulate youth for their participation in the 1996 Morrow County Fair."

Be a part of the Morrow County Fair

You go to the Morrow County Fair to look at the flowers, or watch the 4-H members compete, but what makes fair really fun is being part of it! The Morrow County Fair will be open to the public Wednesday, Aug. 14. Will you be involved? You still have time-get a fair Premium Book and see where you can be part of the fun.

When you turn through the 1996 Morrow County Fair Premium Book, you can see all sorts of exhibit potential: Pumpkin Cake Baking Contest,

sponsored by the Oregon Wheat Growers League; Oregon's Best Home Baked Bread; Oregon Fruit Turnovers, Best Pickle in the County, and even Beer Bread! Non-cooks can participate in Creative Writing; Photography; Crafts; and Collections.

You can also enter home-grown vegetables, fruits, and flowers; adult and children's clothing that you have constructed; wearable art garments that you have decorated; needlework, and quilts. Don't

overlook the canned food exhibits-just be sure to use up-to-date recommendations for processing. USDA recommendations for canning are available at the Morrow County Extension office, Pettyjohn Office Building, Heppner, or by calling (541) 676-9642 or 1-800-342-3664.

There is a special Creative Hands Award for the Outstanding exhibitor in Home Economics classes, based on points earned in Clothing, Needlework, Canning, Foods, Open Class Art and Crafts Divisions. There is one Creative Hand Award for exhibitors 39 and under, and another award for exhibitors age 40 and over. The Creative Hands Awards are sponsored by Morrow County Family & Community Education Council.

Pick up a '96 fair Premium Book (available at the extension office, fair office and post-offices). Decide what you plan to exhibit. Being involved is what makes fair fun. Don't miss this opportunity to have more fun at fair!



Don't be shy! Be a part of the M.C. Fair

New sewing machines to use

The 4-H Leaders Council has recently purchased two new White sewing machines and two new White sergers to be used by sewing clubs. They may be in great demand so if you want to use them, call the Morrow County Extension office at 676-9642 or 1-800-342-3664 to check them out, said Bill Broderick, OSU Extension agent. They ask that people allow four or five days so the machine can be available for you when you want it. Glaya and Mildred Baker worked on this project.

Another really exciting project has been to get three new ranges for the 4-H annex, said Broderick. These stoves will be used for contests during fair and other community activities the rest of the year. This was a joint project between the Morrow County Fair Board and the Morrow County 4-H Leaders Council.



Looking at the different entries

4-H Fashion Revue provides great fun



1995 Fashion Revue

The Thursday evening 4-H Public Fashion Revue at the outdoor stage is always a pleasure to attend. In Morrow County, 4-H members can compete in two modeling contests and display their modeling skills at the free style show.

"My Favorite Outfit" is a contest that promotes consumer skills-clothing selection and coordination, as well as

poise and self-confidence. Members may construct or purchase their garments for this contest, which is open to all 4-H members, regardless of project area.

The "Fashion Revue" modeling contest is open to all clothing, knitting and crocheting project members. These contestants model garments that they have constructed. Modeling in Fashion Revue is a component of the "Outstanding Clothing Member" award.

Participants in both contests prepare their own narrative to be read during the public show. The winning models are selected during the contest judging on Monday, Aug. 12.

Be sure to attend to 4-H Fashion Revue on Aug. 15, at 7 p.m. at the outdoor stage behind the Snack Shack. A special attraction will be the appearance of the 1996 Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Court, modeling their royal wardrobes.

In case of rain, the event will be moved to the Parish Hall of St. Patrick's Church in Heppner.



Marlene Gray (L) of the Morrow County Fair Board presents Marlene Currin with a gift certificate. Currin, who is the Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo Committee secretary, suggested the theme for the 1996 fair, "Let 'Er Grow In Morrow County".

Museum open longer hours for rodeo

The Morrow County Museum will be open extra hours on rodeo Saturday to accommodate visitors. The museum will open at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 17, and will stay open to the normal 5 p.m. closing. Sunday hours will be the usual 1-5 p.m.

Current exhibits of special interest are "A Wedding Celebration," featuring clothing and memorabilia of a century of Morrow County weddings, and "Morrow County Schools Remembered..." including lone 1930s football helmets, Heppner bank uniforms from the 1940s, dozens of annuals, photographs, and much more.

A salute to the history of the Morrow County Rodeo Courts is also on display.

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