

Exhibit at the Fair

Once again the Fair Superintendents will be anxiously awaiting exhibitors on Monday afternoon, August 15, from 1 to 8 p.m. to receive all the entries in the fair. Open Class fruits, vegetables and flowers will also be accepted on Tuesday morning from 8 a.m. until 10 a.m. This year all Open Class exhibits will be released on Sunday morning from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. at the same time 4-H exhibits are released.

If for some reason you can't make it on Sunday morning, the Fair Office will be open Monday through Friday the week following fair from 8 a.m. -12 noon and 1-5 p.m. for pick-up of items. After 30 days those exhibits that are left will become the property of the Morrow County Fair and may be discarded.



Enter cooking and canning contests

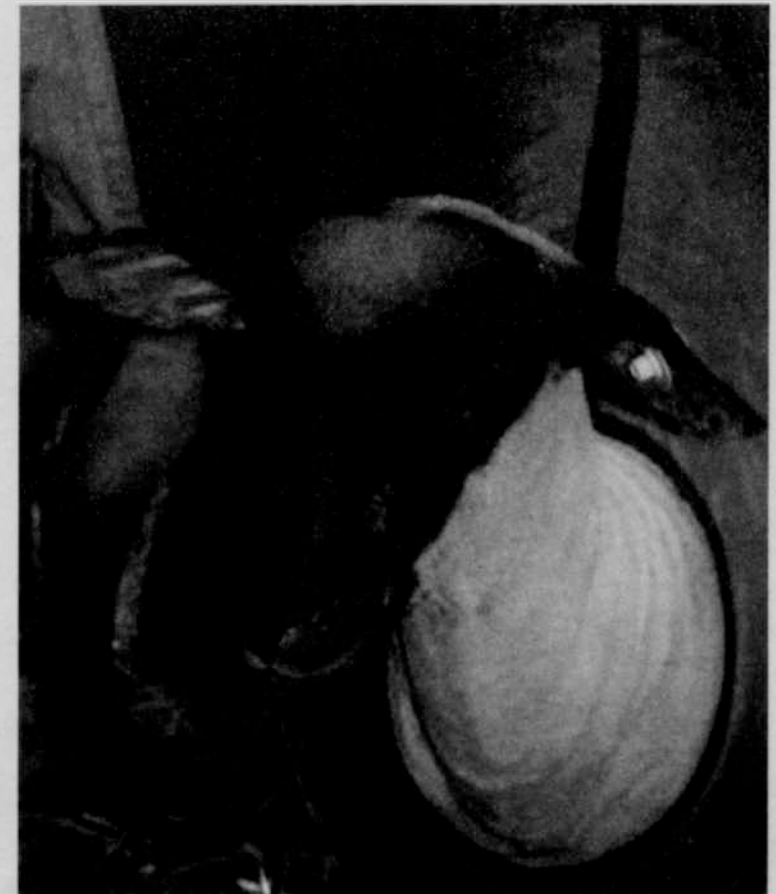
Businesses throughout Oregon are once again participating in the County Fairs throughout the state by sponsoring "Oregon Best Awards" for a variety of contests. Look in the Premium Book on pages 57 and 58 to find the rules and prizes to be given.

Sponsors of these contests are Santiam and FlavRPac, Bob's Red Mill Natural Foods Inc., and Hermiston Watermelon Growers who sponsor the Watermelon Seed Spitting Contest. The prizes for these contests will be on display in the Foods Department during Fair. Also in the Canning Department Ball & Kerr are sponsoring Adult & Youth Food Preservation Awards for more details look on pages 51 and 53.

4-H expands programming

Morrow County 4-H has a total of 258 members and 41 leaders participating in the 4-H youth development program. There are 269 members utilizing 4-H programming in areas of school enrichment, after school programs and leadership. For many years Morrow County 4-H served the needs of its youth with the traditional 4H program. In the past, that was appropriate and additional programming was not needed. Three years ago an outreach program for underserved youth coming from different socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds was added to address the changing demographics at the North end of Morrow County.

As our county continues to change, we found a real need to add "Ag In The Classroom" to the curriculum for all of our small rural towns. As we watch the changing communities in Morrow County, we see most of the youth going to school living in town and not on farms or ranches as in the past. "Ag In The Classroom" will help to keep all the youth in our small rural communities aware of agriculture and its contribution to society.



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