

Special awards presented in poultry and small animals

Again this year special awards will be given in the Poultry and Small Animals Department. Barbara VanArsdale for years has given out money to the exhibitors at the fair. The awards are: Youngest Exhibitor-\$15; Most Attentive Exhibitor-\$15; and Most Unique Exhibitor-\$20.

Also KT's Bunny Barn, co-owned by Kathy Tel-lechea and Pam Renfro, will give a cash award to the Grand Champion Youth in either open or 4-H.

A sweepstake ribbon and gift certificate are available in the open class departments (except livestock and booths)-one per department. The adults will receive a \$25 gift certificate and youths will receive a \$15 gift certificate from the fair. The gift certificates may be redeemed at any Morrow County business and are good until the end of June.

New faces on the fair board

There are some new faces on the Morrow County Fair Board this year. New board members are Erin Heide-man and Rod Taylor from Ione, Wendy McPherson from Irrigon and Cheryl Taylor from Boardman.

The remaining board members are Dick Paris and Denise Riddle from Heppner, Dale Holland from Ione and Marcie Rodelo from Boardman.

"They are available if you have any questions," said Ren'ee Yocom, fair secretary, "but please don't overwhelm the new members."

Oregon Best Contests info available in premium book

Information on the Oregon Best Contests is available on pages 55 to 57 in the premium book.

4-H Snack Shack major source of 4-H Leaders Council funding

The 4-H Snack Shack produces the major source of income for the Morrow County 4-H Leaders Council. The council uses this income to provide such programs as 4-H camp, and materials for all 4-H program areas. The Leaders Council also funds many fair awards. All 4-H members benefit from the proceeds that are earned by the Snack Shack. Many 4-H leaders help in the Snack Shack at fair. They do this because they understand how important the proceeds are to the 4-H program. But, the leaders are so busy at fair it is not right to ask them to take care of their 4-H club and then work even longer in the Snack Shack.

Parents of 4-H members, this is an opportunity for you to help your children and your child's 4-H leader, says Extension agent Bill Broderick. Volunteer to help in the Snack Shack Please call the Extension office at 676-9642 if you are interested!

Watermelon seed spitting contest a fair highlight

Kids and adults, get your spitters ready. The Watermelon Seed Spitting Contest will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. Children of all ages (this includes adults) are welcome to participate.

New this year, the first-place winners in each category will receive a hat; second and third-place winners will receive t-shirts.

Everyone is invited to participate and have a slice of Hermiston watermelon. For more information see page 177 in the premium book.

Ed Dailey back for talent review and talent show

Ed Dailey is back again at the Morrow County Fair this year after taking a year off. He will be doing his talent review on Thursday, August 16, at 3 p.m. and following that he will be emceeding the Morrow County Fair Talent Show at 4:30 p.m.

Everyone is invited to attend and enjoy a variety of performances

Weekly admission up, daily remains same

The price of a weekly pass to the fair has gone up to \$10, an increase of only \$1 to help offset the rising cost of putting on the fair and to also help the people at the gate with change. The price of daily admission did not go up this year.



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