

## 4-H volunteer leaders are awesome

The 4-H program relies on volunteer adult leaders to organize and lead groups of 4-H members. Research shows that youth who

have a non-parental adult as a friend, teacher, and mentor do better than youth without such an adult presence. As a 4-H leader and educator, you are in a position of great

influence. You can channel members' curiosity, inspire new interests, and continually offer new opportunities for them to grow and develop into happy and productive adults. You can be the key to a young person's success.

A recent study showed that most 4-H leaders volunteer because they are interested in making a difference in the lives of young people. While some 4-H leaders have expertise in a particular content area, such as animal science, it is not a requirement. The 4-H program is always looking for quality, committed adult volunteers. If you are interested in exploring becoming a 4-H volunteer, call or visit the extension office.

Studies show that each 4-H volunteer gives an average of 200 hours of time annually to the 4-H



Youth Development program. Looking at Oregon's 6,000 volunteers, that means 1,200,000 hours are given annually to help youth develop skills for a lifetime. Nationally, the cur-

rent estimated dollar value of volunteer time is \$17.55 per hour. Not only are 4-H volunteer leaders awesome, but the value of their time to Oregon 4-H is more than \$20 million annually.

## Buyer Appreciation Dinner to be held again

After a huge success last year, the Buyer's Appreciation Dinner will be held

prior to the youth livestock auction.

The dinner will be held from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, August 16, prior to the auction. Lasagna casserole, garlic bread, green salad, and ice cream will be served, so come hungry.

The dinner is provided to each livestock auction buyer from 2007 plus one guest. 4-H and the Livestock Growers would like to show their appreciation for the tremendous support that these buyers have for our youth. Last years buyers should receive passes to the fair and the dinner.

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