

Pony for Sale

Val and Cora Fisher have a 17 year old mahogany sorrel and white pinto mare named Greta for sale. She is 12 ½ hands tall and a welsh / horse cross. She would be ideal for a young 4-H person and would adore the extra attention. To see her in person, contact Val and Cora Fisher in Farmington at 285-6443 or corafisher4@hotmail.com



Leader of the Year

Each year, the Whitman County 4-H Program has the opportunity to select a 4-H leader for the Leader of the Year recognition. Nominations for 4-H Leader of the Year are due by August 15th. To nominate a leader, write a brief letter or send an email to Janet, schmidtj@wsu.edu, stating why you are nominating this person and the impact they have had on the club or the 4-H program. This special leader is recognized at the Annual 4-H Achievement Program in November. In addition, each county may submit an outstanding volunteer to be honored at this years' Forum in October at Lake Chelan. Counties are encouraged to send a poster or display about the volunteer. This submission is due by September 15th. We have tremendous volunteers in our Whitman County 4-H Program, so don't be bashful! Youth and adults are encouraged to make nominations.

Summer Vacation

State Board Positions Looking for Nominees

There are positions for teens and volunteers from every district in the state on the State Advisory Board and State 4-H Fair Board. The Council meeting is an opportunity to elect representatives to these boards and, through the recommendation process, have input on changes and improvements to the Washington 4-H program. The applications, guidelines, and background information about the Council meeting are available on the 4-H website at: <http://4h.wsu.edu/council/index.htm>. Please review the information carefully and be sure to have applications and recommendations postmarked by **September 1, 2006**. Submitted by Kevin Wright, 4-H Program Coordinator

July Hunter Education Class

The next Hunter Education Class is scheduled for July 18- 20, 25- 27, 7:00pm – 9:30pm and the practicum is on Saturday, July 29th. The location for the class is in Conference Rm. A of the Public Service Building in Colfax. For more information about the class and to register, contact Ken Hathaway in the WSU-Whitman County Extension Office, 397-6290



4-H Petting Zoo at the Lentil Festival

For the past few years, 4-H has been invited to host a petting zoo at the Lentil Festival in Pullman. The date this year is Saturday, August 19th, 10:00am to 5:00pm, in the Pullman Park. If you or members in your club are interested in coordinating this activity, please give Janet a call in the Whitman County Extension Office, 397-6290. This would be a great community service activity!

Old McDonald Barn Schedule

This spring, the Extension Office sent out the Old McDonald's Barn Schedule requesting volunteer support in the barn for the fair. Many thanks to the clubs that have returned their forms. If your club has not returned your form, please complete it by noting volunteers who can help for their assigned time slots and return them by July 10th. Thanks ahead of time for your assistance and cooperation.

2006 FAIR NEWS – HAVE A BLAAAST!

RV Sign Up For Fair

One of the most frequently asked questions (FAQ) this time of the year is, "When is RV sign up?" RV sign up is on Friday, July 7, starting at 7:00pm, in the auditorium of the Public Service Building in Colfax. When signing up for your spot, be prepared to purchase your wristband unless other arrangements have been made.

Exhibitor Handbooks are out! Check the focal points in your community for the books such as Grange, Library and other public access locations. The book will also be available on line at <http://www.palouseempirefair.org>.

Reminder: Animal entries for the 2006 Palouse Empire Fair are due on Tuesday, August 1st!

Fair Wristbands are available for sale and can be purchased from the fair office or from the Fair Royalty Girls. The cost is \$15 for an adult 4-day pass and \$5 for a youth 4-day pass.

Carnival Tickets

Once again, North Star Amusement and the Palouse Empire Fair are offering Advanced Sale/Discounted "All You Can Ride Passes" good for one day of the fair. The tickets are \$13.00 per person and will go on sale on August 1st in the following locations: the fair office, Colfax Subway, Colfax Grange Supply, Pullman Grange Supply, St. John Grange Supply, AmericanWest Bank of Uniontown, Oakesdale and Tekoa and Bank of Whitman in Lacrosse.

Crowing Contest at the Fair

Even though there is lots to Crow About at Palouse Empire Fair, this year the fair will be offering a CROWING CONTEST! It will be scheduled on Thursday, with time and place to be announced.

4-H Record Book Due Date

Reminder: 4-H Record Books are due on Monday, August 14 by 5:00pm in the Whitman County Extension Office. We have a good supply of Level 1 and Level 2 books in the office. Members can also find record books on the Whitman County 4-H web site, <http://whitman.4h.wsu.edu> then select record books. You have your choice of the traditional book as a PDF that you can print out or you can download the computer book. If enough people are interested, a record book session can be planned later this summer. Call the office and let us know if you would like a record book session for your club.



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