

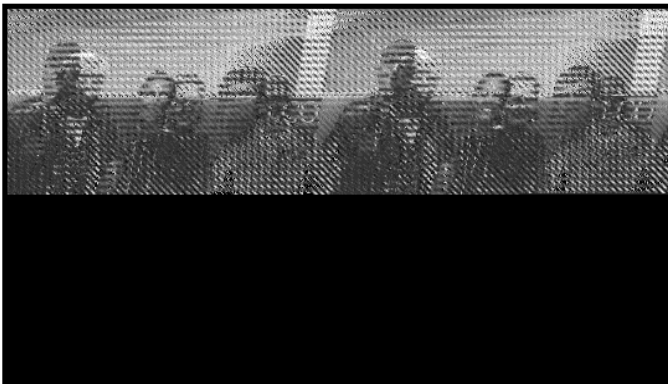
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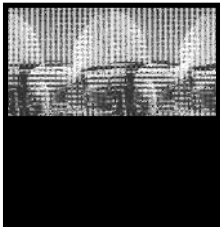
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107th Sherman County Fair Welcome



Pictured above from left to right: Fair Board members Ted Sabey, Jennifer Zimmerlee, Tom Rolfe, Bryce Coelsch, Shandie Johnson, and Bert Perisho.



Pictured left: Fair Board member Rick Jauken.

Welcome to the 107th Sherman County Fair! The Sherman County Fair Board is comprised of seven members: Tom Rolfe, Board Chair, Bryce Coelsch, Vice-Chair, Jennifer Zimmerlee, Ted Sabey, Shandie Johnson, Bert Perisho, and Rick Jauken, board members. Another very exciting year has been planned by the board, including old favorites like the kick off BBQ, Dale Coles Classic Car Show, and contests for cake, pie, flowers, and table setting/decorating. Returning for a third year is the Challenge of Champions Bull Riding Tour stop and the fair's own parade through downtown Moro on Saturday morning. New to the fair this year will

be entertainer Freddie Prez. Freddie will bring his new stage and will host several 'one of a kind' contests. Some of them involve food and a special cannon!

The Fair Board selected Margret Snider as the 2016 Grand Marshal. Representing Sherman County Fair and the community at many local parades, rodeos, and other area events is Princess Lexie Grenvik. The Fair Board thanks Lexi for her hard work and dedication to Sherman County.

This year's theme is "Country Pride County Wide." Please plan to join the festivities, visit with friends, enter a contest, enjoy the livestock exhibited by 4-H or FFA members, attend the bull riding, hear the Countryfied Band, or watch the Demolition Car/Truck Derby. The Fair Board would like to say thank you for attending the fair August 23rd through August 28th in Moro, Oregon.

See you there!

~ Beth McCurdy,
Fair Secretary



2016 Sherman County Fair Schedule

“County Pride County Wide”

www.shermancountyfairfun.com ~ 541-565-3510

Monday, August 22

8:00am – 3:00pm 4-H Static Judging @ 4-H Pavilion

Tuesday, August 23

10:00am **4-H Horse Show** (Showmanship followed by English, Western Equitation, Trail Horse & 4-H Gaming)
 3:00pm Queen applications due @ fair office



Wednesday, August 24

10:30am-12pm All Beef weigh in
 11:00am-6pm All Open Class entries to be made
 12:30pm-6pm All Swine, Sheep, Goat & Poultry weigh in
 3:30pm Dale Coles Classic Car Show check in
 5:00pm Classic Car Show awards
 5:15pm 4-H style show
 5:30pm Freddie Prez on the main stage
 6:00pm BBQ dinner with Paradise Rose
 6:30pm Freddie Prez on the main stage



12:30-1:00pm Judges lunch break
 TBA Freddie Prez on the main stage
 Times will be announced
 1:00-2:00 pm 4-H & FFA Sheep Showmanship (SR./INT./JR)
 2:00-3:30pm 4-H & FFA Beef Showmanship (SR./INT./JR)
 4:30pm *** Livestock judging contest, 4-H & FFA
 7:00pm Cattle sorting

Saturday, August 27

Thursday, August 25

7:00-9:00am High school sports practice
 8:00am 4-H Poultry, Rabbit & Cavie Show (market & showmanship)
 8:30am Final placement for all Open Class baked goods & flowers
 9:00am Open Class Pavilion Judging starts
9:50-10am Showmanship Clinic (4-H & FFA)
 9:30am 4-H & FFA records books due (4-H Pavilion @ grounds)
 10:00-11am 4-H & FFA Swine Market Judging, followed by Breeding Class
 11:00am-12:00pm 4-H & FFA Sheep Market Judging, followed by Breeding Class
 12:00-12:30pm Judges lunch break
 TBA Freddie Prez on the main stage
 Times will be announced
 12:30-2:00pm 4-H & FFA Goat Market Judging, followed by Breeding Class
 2:00-3:30pm 4-H & FFA Beef Market Judging, followed by Breeding Class
 7:00pm Down on the Farm Chore Course

8:00am Wellness Walk (Sherman Co. Health District – downtown Moro)
 8:30am Parade line up on Dewey Street
 9:15am Parade in downtown Moro
 10:00 am Queen’s brunch
 TBA Freddie Prez on the main stage
 Times will be announced
 12:00pm **4-H Grand Champion All-Around Showmanship Contest**
 4-H/FFA awards will follow all-around
 12:45pm Premium payouts @ fair office
 3:00- 4:00pm **4-H & FFA livestock sale**
 5:30pm FFA Annual BBQ
 7:15pm Royalty intro in rodeo arena
7:30 -9:00 pm Bull Riding
 9:30pm-1:00 am Dance with “Countryfied” in the arena right after bull riding



Sunday, August 28

Friday, August 26

7:00-9:00 am High school sports practice
 8:00am 4-H Home Economics contests @ 4-H Pavilion
 8:30am Open Class Horse Show in main arena
Show will end by 3:00pm
 10:00-11:00am 4-H & FFA Swine Showmanship (SR./INJR)
 11am-12:30pm 4-H & FFA Goat Showmanship (SR./INT./JR)

9:00am All premium payouts @ fair office 10:00am
 Cowboy Church
 12:30pm Derby check in
 1:00pm Demo derby to start
 4:00pm Sale animals load outs
 4:00pm **ALL FAIR EXHIBITS RELEASED**

LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS RELEASED AT BARN SUPERINTENDENT’S DECISION AFTER 3:00PM ** ON SUNDAY

****DENOTES APPROXIMATE TIME****

ALL OPEN CLASS ANIMALS WILL SHOW AFTER THEIR SPECIFIC 4-H/FFA LIVESTOCK CLASSES

>>>> SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE<<<<

Public/School Library Updates



FALL HOURS START SEPTEMBER 6



Monday	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday	8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Thursday	8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Friday	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Saturday	10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

TECHNOLOGY HELP

Help is available with programs like Microsoft Office software, Facebook, e-mail, smart phone technology, and more! Stop by or give us a call if you would like to make an appointment!

DISCOVERY KITS

Come in and check out buckets that contain “Early Learning Kits” for teachers, parents, and caregivers of children. They include read-aloud books, books for emergent readers, video, and hands-on materials for young ones to enjoy. Teacher guides and early learning tip sheets are included.

STICKS IN STACKS: A SOCIAL FIBER ARTS CIRCLE EVERY THURSDAY 6:00 P.M.

Social crafting starts at 6:00 p.m. Instructional assistance for knit, crochet, and spinning will be available at 7:00 p.m. Bring your knitting, crochet, spinning, quilting, cross-stitch, etc. All fiber arts are welcome.

Website: www.scpslibrary.wix.com/scpsl
Email: shermanlibrary@sherman.k12.or.us
Phone: 541-565-3279

FACEBOOK

“Like” us on Facebook at Sherman County Public School Library and Sherman County Public/School Library Youth Programs.

LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

The next book club meeting will be in September to discuss *Wildflower Hill* by Kimberly Freeman. Contact the library for more information.



NEW BEST SELLERS

“15 th Affair”	James Patterson
“Red Platoon”	Clinton Romesha
“Tribe”	Sebastian Junger
“Here’s to Us”	Elin Hilderbrand
“Five Presidents”	Clint Hill
“End of Watch”	Stephen King

SUMMER HOURS

Tuesday	11:00 a.m. — 7:00 p.m.
Thursday	11:00 a.m. — 7:00 p.m.
Saturday	10:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.

“Words can be like X-rays if you use them properly— they’ll go through anything. You read and you’re pierced.”

—Aldous Huxley, *Brave New World*

~ Marylou Martin, Library Director

2016 General Election News

The 2016 General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 8 and conducted by mail. As a reminder to those electors interested in becoming a candidate for city office, the filing deadline is Tuesday, August 30, 2016. Candidates must file at their local city hall. Please contact your city recorder/administrator for office hours and other details.

Nonaffiliated and minor political party members interested in the partisan office of county commissioner must file a certificate of nomination on or before August 30, 2016, at the clerk's office.

The final day to register to vote or change party affiliation is Tuesday, October 18. Voter registration cards postmarked by October 18 or an online registration submitted no later than 11:59pm are valid. For online registration or to update your voter information, go to: <http://sos.oregon.gov/voting/Pages/voteinor.aspx>.

Registration cards can be obtained at any post office, county clerk's office, or printed at: <http://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Documents/SEL500.pdf>.

Ballots will be mailed between October 20 and 25. It's important to update your voter registration if you have moved or changed your mailing address. The Postal Service cannot forward ballots. An absentee ballot can be requested if you will be away from home and would like to receive your ballot at a different address. To obtain an absentee ballot request form, please contact the clerk's office or go to: <http://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Documents/SEL111.pdf>.

Your voted ballot must be received on or before 8:00pm on Election Day or it will not be counted. Postmarks do not count! The Postal Service recommends voters mail ballots one week before the due date to account for any unforeseen events or weather issues and to allow for timely receipt and processing by election officials.

The official white Sherman County ballot drop box sites are found outside the following locations:

Rufus Fire Hall – 400 Main Street
 Wasco City Hall – 1017 Clark Street
 Grass Valley City Hall – 109 SW Mill Street
 Sherman County Courthouse – 500 Court Street, Moro (in the clerk's office)



If you have any questions, need a replacement ballot because you made a mistake, need an absentee ballot, or are in need of further assistance, please contact the Sherman County Clerk's Office at 541-565-3606.

~ Jenine McDermid, Clerk

Resident Incentive Reminder

Resident Incentive Program applications for 2016 are due **August 31, 2016**. Applications are available on the main page of Sherman County's website located at www.co.sherman.or.us or by calling the Sherman County Finance Office at 541-565-3623. If you have mailed in your application but have not yet received a confirmation card, please call the number listed above to verify your application has been received.

Parenting Classes

Who: Parents with children ages 12-17
When: September-November
 Monday 5:30-8:00pm
Where: Moro Community Presbyterian Church
Topics: Behavior, support, risks, etc.
 *Daycare and dinner provided
 Sign up: Nancy 1-855-308-2236

Sherman County Board of Property Tax Appeals Board Openings

The Sherman County Board of Property Tax Appeals (BOPTA) has board openings for the 2016-17 tax year. These positions are open to nonoffice-holding residents of Sherman County. A nonoffice-holding resident cannot be: a member of the county governing body, a member of the governing body of any taxing district within the county, an elected official within the county, a person employed in or hired by the county or any taxing district within the county, a former county assessor or any appointee acting in the place of the assessor that held the office or was appointed during the tax year subject to appeal to BOPTA, or a person previously employed in or hired by the office of the assessor during the tax year subject to appeal to BOPTA.

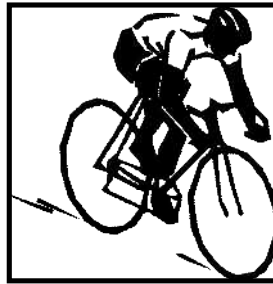
Board members hear petitions for reduction of the real market, maximum assessed, specially assessed, and assessed value of property placed on the roll by the county assessor as of January 1, 2016. The board will also consider requests to waive penalties assessed for the late filing of real and personal property returns.

An initial training session is required for new members and for those members returning after a break in service. Board members are required to attend training approved by the Department of Revenue at least every other year unless no petitions are filed. The BOPTA board generally meets for one or two sessions during the year between February and June. The one-year term ends on June 30, 2017.

If you are interested in being considered for the BOPTA board, please contact Jenine McDermid at 541-565-3606 or by email at countyclerk@shermancounty.net no later than Friday, September 30. Members of the BOPTA pool will be appointed by the county governing body on October 5, 2016.

~ Jenine McDermid, Clerk

Free Bicycle Helmets!



Sunshine is here, and it's the time of the year again when the kids are out riding their bikes. Wearing a helmet while riding a bike, scooter, or skateboard is not only the safe thing to do but is the law if you are under 16 years old. Sherman County Emergency Services is giving out helmets to children who need them. If your child needs a helmet, please stop by and see Shawn Payne, Emergency Services Director, at the Emergency Services Building in Moro.

~ Shawn Payne, Emergency Services Director

City Beautification Efforts in Progress

Downtown Moro is getting a little facelift! With financial support from a special city beautification fund and the hard work of the Main Street Advocate Committee, things are looking up in our little city. The committee purchased half wine barrel planters, soil, and flowers to adorn the sidewalks up and down Main Street. Good job, Main Street Advocates!

~ Shawn Payne, Emergency Services Director



Pictured above: Committee member Deborah Rudometkin plants flowers in a wine-barrel planter at the corner of US 97 and 4th Street.

Sherman County Courthouse Project Update

Since completion of the schematic design phase in May, the project team has been hard at work in the design development phase. During this time, the plans are moving from block diagrams and sketches to architectural drawings showing locations and quantities of specific building elements and systems. At completion of design development, a *progress* set of plans will be used to review the design and make sure that project goals and objectives are being met and to determine what changes or revisions may be needed. This will also be an opportunity to review and update construction cost estimates and look for additional ways to reduce costs or enhance the performance of the building. Hat's off to the design team from Hennebery Eddy Architects. They are doing a great job of designing a practical and efficient building that will represent Sherman County well.

In the June 2016 edition of the Citizen Reporter, project team members provided answers to several questions that had been directed to them regarding the planned courthouse renovation and new building construction project. During the June 2nd open house and in the period since, there have been additional questions from interested persons. Team members have prepared answers to two of them in this update with the intention of continuing the practice as the project moves forward:

Q: A conceptual model of the new building shows a flat roof although the courthouse has a sloped roof. Is there a reason the new building needs to be flat?

A: Modern building design standards tend to favor the flat roof design for reasons related to lower construction costs and ease of maintenance compared with pitched roofs. Additionally, the flat roof design allows for the aesthetically discrete installation of solar panels, which are required by the modern building code for public facilities.

Q: According to the schematic design plans for the new building, the circuit court function will occupy about one-third of the building. If this is the case, why is Sherman County paying for the entire cost of the facility?

A: ORS 1.185 states in pertinent part that, *the county in which a circuit court is located or holds court shall...provide suitable and sufficient courtrooms, offices, and jury rooms for the court, the judges, other officers and employees of the court and juries in attendance upon the court.* While the requirement for a county to provide suitable facilities for the operation of the circuit court is clear and unequivocal, there has been an effort in recent years to provide funding from the state level to assist with the considerable costs associated with facilities repair and replacement. The Sherman County Court attempted to obtain funding assistance but the effort was unsuccessful due largely to the number of competing projects and limited available funding, with no assurance that funding would become available in the foreseeable future. During the design phase, the project team has worked toward identifying shared use opportunities for Sherman County throughout the facility, including uses of the courtroom and jury deliberation spaces when the circuit court is not in session.

~ Heath Gardner, Wenaha Group;
Ron McDermid, Project Team Member



Sherman County Emergency Management Urges Citizens to Sign up for Emergency Mass Notification



Very few people have signed up for the Emergency Notification System. Please **DO NOT** wait until there is an emergency to do so! The Emergency Notification System is a great way for you to receive emergency notifications.

The Emergency Notification system gives Emergency Services the ability to deliver pre-recorded emergency notifications and information messages to targeted areas within one of the four counties. The system utilizes home phones, cell phones, texts, and electronic mail messaging. The system within Sherman County is called Frontier Regional Alert.

Currently, the Frontier Regional Alert logo can be found on the Sherman County website home page at www.co.sherman.or.us. To opt in, simply click on the Frontier Regional ALERT Logo and go through the sign-up procedures. If you don't have an email address and would like to receive your alerts by cell phone or texting, or if you need any other assistance with registering, please contact Shawn Payne, Emergency Services Director, at Sherman County Emergency Services: 541-565-3100.

~ Shawn Payne, Emergency Director

Tobacco: Know the Real Cost!

Tobacco use remains the number one preventable cause of death and disease in Oregon, killing 7,000 people each year and costing Oregonians \$2.5 billion a year in medical expenditures and lost productivity due to premature death; this results in the burden of tobacco use equaling \$1,600 a year per Oregon household, according to Oregon Health Authority.

According to the Oregon Office of State Fire Marshall Annual Report Supplement, smoking is still the number one cause of fire in Oregon, accounting for 2,510 fires in 2015. Cigarettes and smoking is the leading cause of fatal residential fires.

In Sherman, Gilliam, and Wasco counties, 20% of adults smoke, which is higher than the state average.

Are you ready to quit smoking? For more information visit www.smokefreeoregon.com or call 1-800-QUIT-NOW (800-748-8669) or 1-800-DEJELO-YA (Español).

~Hayli Eiesland, North Central Public Health District
Tobacco Prevention and Education





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Three Easy Steps to Recycle!

First Sort: Commingled:

- PAPER - white and colored paper (staples OK) newspapers, magazines, catalogs, junk mail, phone books, paperback books, spiral-bound notebooks, shredded paper in a paper bag, cereal & cracker style boxes (liner removed), cardboard tubes, paper bags, egg cartons, milk cartons & juice boxes.
- PLASTIC - plastic bottles with a neck, plastic tubs 6 oz. to 5 gal, plant containers 4 inches & larger.
- METAL - aluminum cans, tin cans (flattened), clean aluminum foil & foil baking pans, empty aerosol cans (discard cap).

Second Sort:

- All glass bottles & jars - rinsed. No lids.

Third Sort:

- Corrugated cardboard - flattened.

All items should be clean & rinsed with lids removed & flattened if possible.

Self-Haul Recycling Depot Schedule:

- Moro 9 am - 4:30 pm: 2nd Friday & Saturday
- Wasco 9 am - 4:30 pm: 3rd Friday & Saturday
- Rufus 9 am - 4:30 pm: 4th Friday & Saturday
- Grass Valley 1-3 pm: Monday & Tuesday weekly



The Solid Waste Transfer Site:

72526 Welk Road
Open every 2nd & 4th Saturday
10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The Dalles Disposal

1317 West 1st Street -The Dalles, 97058
(541) 298-5149

Do Not Recycle:

- Carbon paper
- Food-contaminated packaging
- Clear "clamshells" (berry, bakery or battery packages)
- Frozen food boxes or food stained paper
- Label backing sheets
- Paper towels, tissue, napkins
- Photographs
- Plastic-coated envelopes
- Wax, plastic or foil-coated paper
- Styrofoam.