

NOTICE OF MEETING

Washington County Fair Complex Board of Directors

Wednesday, September 3, 2008, at 4:30 p.m.

Floral Building – Washington County Fair Complex

873 NE 34th Avenue, Hillsboro, OR 97124

Herbert Hirst, Chair

Don McCoun, Vice Chair

Renee Cannon, Secretary

Dan Logan, Treasurer

Kathy Christy, Board Member

Matt Pihl, Board Member

Standing Committees

Air Show & Airport Interface

Don McCoun, Board Member

Booster/Coalition Liaison

Dan Logan, Board Member

Development Committee

Dan Logan, Board Member

Herbert Hirst, Board Member

Fair & Facilities Management Committee

Kathy Christy, Board Member

Herbert Hirst, Board Member

Don McCoun, Board Member

Executive Director Position

Renee Cannon, Board Member

Dan Logan, Board Member

Don McCoun, Board Member

Competitive Exhibits Committee

Dan Logan, Board Member

Renee Cannon, Board Member

Matt Pihl, Board Member

The Washington County Fair Complex Board is comprised of seven members appointed by the Board of County Commissioners. Each Fair Complex Board member is appointed for a three-year term.

The Fair Complex Board has the exclusive management of the grounds, and all other property owned, leased, used or controlled by the County and devoted to the use of the Fair Complex, and is entrusted and charged with the entire business management, and financial and other affairs of the Fair Complex.

The Fair Complex, a division of the County, produces the annual County Fair & Rodeo and manages year-round facilities rented for consumer shows, public expositions and special gathering. The Fair Complex Board meets monthly or as necessary, develops the Fair Complex's annual operating budget, and provides overall policy direction for the management of Fair Complex activities and facilities. The Fair Complex's day-to-day activities are the responsibility of the Complex Executive Director, who serves at the pleasure of the Fair Board.

In compliance with the American with Disabilities Act (ADA), this material, in alternate formats, or special accommodations for the meeting, will be made available by calling (503) 648-1416 at least 48 hours prior to this meeting

All public meetings are recorded.

Current Meeting Schedule

Unless otherwise noted, Fair Complex Board Meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 4:30 p.m. in the Floral Building at the Washington County Fair Complex, 873 N.E. 34th Avenue, Hillsboro, Oregon 97124.

Regular Business Meetings

Regular business meetings are the time during which the Fair Complex Board will consider the items published in their Board Agenda at the times noted above.

Generally, Board Meetings are scheduled to last no longer than two hours. At the discretion of the Board Chair, agenda items may be deferred to a later date if more discussion or consideration is required.

Quorum

To take formal action on any agenda item, at least four (4) Board members must be present. Once a quorum is established, at least a majority of these members present must vote in the affirmative to move an action or motion.

The Board can still conduct business and discuss agenda items without a quorum present. However, no formal action can take place until a quorum of the Board is in attendance.

Executive Sessions

There are times when the Fair Complex Board must discuss confidential matters such as lawsuits, real estate transactions (or other sales transactions) and labor relations matters. When the Board calls an executive session (posted on the agenda), it is done under the guidelines allowed for by Oregon State law. Each type of executive session generally fits under one of three types of State Laws that allow such closed sessions. These statutes are indicated on the agenda. Although the press is allowed to remain in the room, they are not allowed to report on executive session issues. The Board recognizes the sensitivity of conducting closed sessions and only conducts them when confidentiality is required (and allowed by law) to protect the interests of the Fair Complex, Washington County and its residents.

Once the Regular Business Meeting Begins

The Fair Complex Board's formal meetings typically include the following elements:

1. Call to Order: At the start of the Board meeting, the Chair (or Vice Chair) of the Board will call the meeting to order. All matters noticed and listed on the agenda, in any category, may be considered for action in any order at the discretion of the Board Chair. Items not so noticed may be discussed at the discretion of the Board Chair, but cannot be considered for action.

2. Oral Communications for Agenda and Non-Agenda Items (Fifteen Minute Limit): This is the time when members of the audience may step forward to address the Board on agenda and non-agenda items. This opportunity is time-limited to two (2) minutes per individual. The maximum time for Oral Communications is 15 minutes. Individuals providing written testimony are requested to provide 15 copies.
3. Consent Agenda: The items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be adopted in one motion unless a Board member requests, before the vote on the motion, to have the item considered separately. If any item is removed from the Consent Agenda, the Chair will indicate when it will be discussed in the regular agenda.
4. Regular Agenda Items: Unless otherwise noted, regular agenda items will follow in the order listed on the agenda.
5. Adjournment: At the conclusion of the items on the Board's agenda, the Board Chair will formally conclude the Board's regular business.

Meeting Protocol

The Fair Complex Board welcomes public attendance and participation at its meetings. Anyone wishing to speak on an agenda or non-agenda item at a regular business meeting should feel free to do so. In doing so, the Board asks that the following guidelines be observed:

1. Please follow sign-in procedures located on the table by the entrance to the meeting room.
2. When your name is announced, please be seated at the table in front and state your full name, home address and organization represented, if any, for the record.
3. Groups or organizations wishing to make a presentation are asked to designate one spokesperson in the interest of time and to avoid repetition.
4. When more than one citizen is heard on any matter, please avoid repetition in your comments. Careful attention to the previous speaker's remarks will be helpful in this regard.
5. Individuals providing written testimony are requested to provide 15 copies.

AGENDA

NOTICE OF MEETING

**Washington County Fair Complex Board of Directors
Wednesday, September 3, 2008, at 4:30 p.m.
Floral Building – Washington County Fair Complex
873 NE 34th Avenue, Hillsboro, OR 97124**

Herbert Hirst, Chair	
Don McCoun, Vice Chair	Kathy Christy, Board Member
Renee Cannon, Secretary	Matt Pihl, Board Member
Dan Logan, Treasurer	

Standing Committees

Air Show & Airport Interface

Don McCoun, Board Member

Booster/Coalition Liaison

Dan Logan, Board Member

Development

Dan Logan, Board Member
Herbert Hirst, Board Member

Fair & Facility Management

Kathy Christy, Board Member
Don McCoun, Board Member
Herbert Hirst, Board Member

Executive Director Position

Renee Cannon, Board Member
Dan Logan, Board Member
Don McCoun, Board Member

Competitive Exhibits Committee

Dan Logan, Board Member
Renee Cannon, Board Member
Matt Pihl, Board Member

A. Call to Order

B. Oral Communications for Agenda and Non-Agenda Items (Fifteen Minute Limit)

This is the time when members of the audience may step forward to address the Board on agenda and non-agenda items. This opportunity is time-limited to two (2) minutes per individual. The maximum time for Oral Communications is 15 minutes. Individuals providing written testimony are requested to provide 15 copies.

C. Consent Agenda

The items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will all be adopted in one motion unless a Board member requests, before the vote on the motion, to have the item considered separately. If any item is removed from the Consent Agenda, the Chair will indicate when it will be discussed in the regular agenda.

1. Financial Statements (PDF)
 - a. Budget Overview – May 2008 (PDF)
 - b. Balance Sheet – May 2008(PDF)
 - c. Budget Overview – June 2008 (PDF)
 - d. Balance Sheet – June 2008 (PDF)
 - e. Other, if any
2. Board Minutes – **NOTE: JUNE MINUTES WILL BE HANDED OUT AT THE MEETING**
3. Facility Use Schedule – September 2008 (PDF)

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), this material, in alternate formats, or special accommodations for the meeting, will be made available by calling (503) 648-1416 at least 48 hours prior to this meeting.

4. Other, if any

D. Special Reports

1. Air Show & Airport Interface Committee – Don McCoun, Board Member
2. Fair & Facility Management Committee – Kathy Christy, Board Member
3. Executive Director Position Committee – Renee Cannon, Board Member
4. Booster/Coalition Liaison – Dan Logan, Board Member
5. Treasurer's Report – Dan Logan, Board Member
6. Competitive Exhibits Committee-Dan Logan, Board Member
7. 4H Report
8. Operations Report – Staff (PDF)
9. Other, if any

E. Old Business

1. Redevelopment Update, if any
2. Renaissance Faire Update, if any
3. Vote on final version of policy for facility access
4. Other, if any

F. New Business

1. 2008 Fair Wrap-Up Report
2. Blue Ribbon Award Nominees

G. Announcements

1. Calendar of Events (PDF)
2. Other, if any

H. Correspondence

1. Letters and Cards, if any (PDF)
2. Other, if any

I. Board Oral Communications

J. Other Matters of Information

1. Boosters Meeting Minutes – May 2008 (PDF), June 2008 (PDF), July 2008 (PDF)
2. Newspaper Articles (PDF)
3. Other, if any

K. Executive Session

In accordance with ORS 192.660 (2) (h), to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of the Board with regard to litigation or litigation likely to be filed; in accordance with ORS 192.660 (2) (e), to deliberate with persons designated by the Board to negotiate real property transactions; and/or in accordance with ORS 192.660 (2) (a), (b), (h), or (i), to discuss, review and evaluate employee-related matters. Pursuant to ORS 192.660 (3), it is Board's request that the items discussed not be disclosed by media representatives or others.

L. Adjourn

CONSENT ITEMS

County of Washington

**Washington County Fair Complex
873 NE 34th Avenue
Hillsboro, Oregon 97124
Phone: (503) 648-1416
Fax: (503) 648-7208
lperkins@faircomplex.com
www.faircomplex.com**

FAX MEMORANDUM

Date: August 27, 2008

To: Washington County Fair Complex Board

From: Leah E. Perkins-Hagele, Fair Coordinator

Re: May and June 2008 Financial Statements

Find attached the May 2008 Budget Overview and Balance Sheets, created by the Washington County Finance Department staff. Please note this practice has been discontinued.

The new monthly Financial Statements & Balance Sheet begin June 2008, also attached, and are printed directly from the County Wisard Finance System.

July 2008 Financial Statements & Balance Sheet were not available as of the mailing of this packet. If they become available by the Board Meeting, we will have them available for you there or will e-mail them when they are ready.

WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR COMPLEX

Budget Overview July 2007 - June 2008

8/21/2008

Description	July 2007	August 2007	September 2007	October 2007	November 2007	December 2007	January 2008	February 2008	March 2008	April 2008	May 2008	June 2008	Year to Date 2007/08	Budget 2007/08	%
Beginning Balance	\$ 627,250	\$ 818,755	\$ 670,238	\$ 620,920	\$ 880,203	\$ 843,368	\$ 816,792	\$ 858,311	\$ 829,903	\$ 804,002	\$ 831,078	\$ 841,716	\$ 627,250	\$ 469,660	
991005 - Interim Operations															
Interim Operating Revenues															
Parking	40	29,911	-	4,065	(4,036)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29,980	21,000	142.8%
RV Park	80	1,780	1,390	1,540	940	920	640	260	900	640	550	-	9,630	10,000	96.3%
Rentals	-	7,376	28,250	37,414	4,691	26,715	17,104	11,417	22,105	14,307	25,503	-	194,882	200,000	97.4%
Concessions	38	100	757	-	52	100	300	200	96	265	100	-	2,008	3,000	66.9%
Misc Income	430	52	1,335	880	2,227	946	1,774	950	1,798	1,331	667	-	12,390	15,000	82.6%
Total Interim Operating Revenues	588	39,219	31,722	43,899	3,874	28,681	19,818	12,827	24,899	16,543	26,820	-	248,890	249,000	100.0%
Interim Operating Expenses															
Personal Services	13,235	41,029	25,434	26,297	24,181	25,353	24,966	37,879	26,142	26,786	22,437	-	293,739	389,208	75.5%
Supplies	453	2,249	2,901	895	421	1,129	1,527	111	693	1,966	829	-	13,174	25,000	52.7%
Professional Services	328	3,390	1,785	6,383	3,477	200	1,240	161	200	200	1,365	-	18,729	12,500	149.8%
Advertising	-	1,200	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,690	1,000	169.0%
Printing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Communications (ATM)	-	18	17	21	18	16	16	19	18	146	685	-	974	500	194.8%
Utilities	5,493	222	5,245	2,840	7,838	5,147	10,333	5,225	9,373	4,447	8,449	-	64,612	65,000	99.4%
Repair and Maintenance	5,844	3,262	4,950	1,873	785	1,701	2,703	1,371	2,100	3,499	2,414	-	30,502	57,000	53.5%
Rentals	-	243	747	476	228	188	188	188	188	9,071	4,023	-	15,540	5,000	310.8%
Dues and Memberships	125	482	50	-	-	385	125	219	-	30	-	-	1,416	1,500	94.4%
Training and Travel	211	33	29	153	449	245	93	25	24	262	-	-	1,524	1,500	101.6%
Insurance	12,533	-	432	-	-	407	-	-	440	-	-	-	13,812	16,000	86.3%
Postage	-	43	58	58	26	28	34	147	99	9	147	-	649	500	129.8%
Printing Internal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	750	500	150.0%
Telephones	-	924	-	1,137	928	685	797	810	806	725	1,760	-	8,572	6,000	142.9%
Special Expenses	451	1,084	184	906	1,286	266	550	155	139	378	491	-	5,890	5,000	117.8%
County Legal	1,304	1,269	-	-	811	2,347	-	1,022	3,968	1,643	659	-	12,576	5,000	251.5%
County Indirect Cost	1,643	1,643	1,643	1,643	1,643	1,643	1,643	1,643	1,643	1,643	659	-	17,089	19,711	86.7%
Total Interim Operating Expenses	41,620	57,091	43,475	42,682	42,561	39,740	44,215	48,975	42,077	53,130	45,652	-	501,238	610,919	82.0%
Net Interim Revenues/Expenses	(41,032)	(17,872)	(11,753)	1,217	(38,707)	(11,059)	(24,397)	(36,148)	(17,178)	(36,587)	(18,832)	-	(252,348)	(361,919)	69.7%

WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR COMPLEX

Budget Overview July 2007 - June 2008

8/21/2008

Description	July 2007	August 2007	September 2007	October 2007	November 2007	December 2007	January 2008	February 2008	March 2008	April 2008	May 2008	June 2008	Year to Date 2007/08	Budget 2007/08	%
981010 - Fair															
Fair Revenues															
Commercial Booth Rentals	89,950	1,150	450	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	91,550	82,500	111.0%
Dept of Agriculture	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46,000	
Parking Fees	73,082	8,190	(50)	-	-	(100)	-	-	-	-	-	-	81,122	77,500	104.7%
Admissions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Sponsorships	45,850	15,850	3,450	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	65,150	56,500	115.3%
Carnival Income	99,541	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	99,541	80,000	124.4%
Advertising	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,500	
Entry Fees	8,096	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,126	6,500	125.0%
Concessions	73,897	19,502	1,949	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	95,348	83,000	114.9%
Other Revenues	1,675	8,021	135	900	49,405	-	-	-	-	(36)	-	-	60,100	10,000	601.0%
Total Fair Revenues	392,091	52,743	5,934	900	49,405	(100)	-	-	-	(36)	-	-	500,937	443,500	113.0%
Fair Expenses															
Personal Services	8,191	38,826	11,105	11,688	11,275	11,071	10,919	16,614	11,270	11,739	9,584	-	152,282	177,625	85.7%
Supplies	5,081	4,819	1,185	5	-	-	11	89	-	884	39	-	12,113	12,000	100.9%
Professional Services	8,461	44,380	4,122	-	100	-	-	375	-	(7,159)	-	-	50,279	59,000	85.2%
Advertising, Promotions, etc.	12,988	75,338	13,381	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,163)	-	-	100,544	99,000	101.6%
Printing	2,325	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,352	1,500	156.8%
Utilities	-	7,353	3,640	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,993	12,500	87.9%
Repair & Maintenance	1,730	-	-	-	1,079	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,809	2,500	112.4%
Rentals	1,055	13,330	507	-	-	-	-	(3,680)	4,976	(3,798)	-	-	12,390	16,000	77.4%
Dues and memberships	-	-	20	-	-	-	600	249	-	-	-	-	869	1,000	86.9%
Travel and Training	-	-	610	339	683	551	2,375	1,015	265	472	-	-	6,310	4,000	157.8%
Insurance	12,534	-	197	-	-	175	-	-	189	-	-	-	13,095	16,000	81.8%
Postage	-	-	223	55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	278	500	55.6%
Telephone	1,291	-	799	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,090	2,500	83.6%
County Legal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500	
Other/Special Expenses	76,440	1,835	22,612	-	-	34	-	-	-	(110)	-	-	100,811	100,000	100.8%
Awards	51,838	-	(1,014)	65	-	-	-	-	368	-	-	-	51,257	45,000	113.9%
Indirect	1,643	1,643	1,643	1,643	1,643	1,643	1,643	1,643	1,643	1,643	1,643	-	18,073	19,710	91.7%
Total Fairtime Expenses:	183,577	187,551	59,030	13,795	14,780	13,474	15,548	16,305	18,711	2,508	11,266	-	536,545	569,335	94.2%
Net Fairtime Revenues/Expenses	208,514	(134,806)	(53,096)	(12,895)	34,625	(13,574)	(15,548)	(16,305)	(18,711)	(2,544)	(11,266)	-	(35,608)	(125,835)	28.3%

WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR COMPLEX
Budget Overview July 2007 - June 2008

8/21/2008

Description	July 2007	August 2007	September 2007	October 2007	November 2007	December 2007	January 2008	February 2008	March 2008	April 2008	May 2008	June 2008	Year to Date 2007/08	Budget 2007/08	%
Truck Pull															
Revenues	13,730	270	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,000	12,500	112.0%
Admissions	2,250	2,413	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,663	8,000	58.3%
Sponsorships	15,980	2,683	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18,663	20,500	91.0%
Total Truck Pull Revenues															
Expenses	6,713	(6,000)	375	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,967	8	-	10,063	9,500	105.9%
Expenses	6,713	(6,000)	375	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,967	8	-	10,063	9,500	105.9%
Total Truck Pull Expenses															
Net Truck Pull Income/(loss)	9,267	8,683	(375)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(8,967)	(8)	-	8,600	11,000	78.2%
981015 - Rodeo															
Rodeo Revenues	23,830	1,900	(80)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25,650	25,000	102.6%
Admissions	15,950	6,710	6,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28,660	27,500	104.2%
Sponsorships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Queen Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	68	-	-
Total Rodeo Revenues	39,848	8,610	5,920	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	54,378	52,500	103.6%
Rodeo Expenses															
Supplies	872	-	275	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,147	250	458.8%
Professional Services	29,000	5,823	1,375	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36,198	35,000	103.4%
Advertising	-	6,569	(2,163)	-	-	255	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,641	3,000	154.7%
Rentals	-	1,995	807	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,802	3,500	80.1%
Training and Travel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Misc Expenses	1,703	582	300	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,585	3,000	86.2%
Awards/Prizes	4,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,000	4,000	100.0%
Total Rodeo Expenses	35,575	14,969	574	-	-	255	-	-	-	-	-	-	51,373	48,750	105.4%
Net Rodeo Revenues/Expenses	4,273	(6,359)	5,346	-	-	(255)	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,005	3,750	80.1%

WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR COMPLEX

Budget Overview July 2007 - June 2008

8/21/2008

Description	July 2007	August 2007	September 2007	October 2007	November 2007	December 2007	January 2008	February 2008	March 2008	April 2008	May 2008	June 2008	Year to Date 2007/08	Budget 2007/08	%
Demo Derby															
Demo Derby Revenues															
Admissions	19,150	280											19,430	20,000	97.2%
Sponsorships	3,800	(1,638)		12,500									14,662	8,000	183.3%
Other Revenue	950	3,800	950										5,700		
Total Demo Derby Revenues	23,900	2,442	950	12,500									39,792	28,000	142.1%
Demo Derby Expenses															
Materials	13,501	(12,640)	120							3,428			4,409	12,000	36.7%
Professional Services		16,634	312										16,946		
Prizes	1,500												1,500	1,500	100.0%
Total Demo Derby Expenses	15,001	3,994	432							3,428			22,855	13,500	169.3%
Net Demo Derby Income/(loss)	8,899	(1,552)	518	12,500						(3,428)			16,937	14,500	116.8%
Frito Lites															
Frito Lite Revenue				94,972	37,026								131,998	77,000	171.4%
Frito Lite Expenses			714	7,869	107,148	1,043	120	35	750		46		117,725	62,000	189.9%
Net Frito Lites Revenues/Expenses			(714)	87,103	(70,122)	(1,043)	(120)	(35)	(750)		(46)		14,273	15,000	95.2%

WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR COMPLEX
Budget Overview July 2007 - June 2008

8/21/2008

Description	July 2007	August 2007	September 2007	October 2007	November 2007	December 2007	January 2008	February 2008	March 2008	April 2008	May 2008	June 2008	Year to Date 2007/08	Budget 2007/08	%
Non-Operating															
Non-Operating Revenues															
Hotels/Motel Taxes	-	12,437	12,988	171,228	44,202	6,860	131,650	33,603	11,669	106,247	51,905		582,809	645,000	90.4%
Transfer from General Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest	2,487	3,232	2,221	633	4,906	2,792	2,496	2,217	2,016	1,795	1,833		26,629	22,500	118.4%
Total Non-Operating Revenues	2,487	15,669	15,209	171,861	49,108	9,652	134,146	35,820	13,705	108,042	53,738	-	609,438	667,500	91.3%
Non-Operating Expenses															
Purchase/Lease	503	503	503	503	503	503	52,562	503	503	503	11,676		68,765	104,483	65.8%
Land Improvements - Fire Hydrant Project	400	11,237	3,950	-	11,237	1,960	-	11,237	-	-	500		40,521	-	-
Bad Debt Expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Buildings and Structures - Main Exhibit Hall	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	708		708	25,000	2.8%
Equipment	-	538	-	-	-	7,834	-	-	-	27,937	64		36,373	40,000	90.9%
Development Reserve	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,464	1,000	-		3,464	20,000	17.3%
Total Non-Operating Expenses	903	12,276	4,453	503	11,740	10,297	52,562	11,740	2,967	29,440	12,948	-	149,831	189,483	79.1%
Net Non-Operating Revenues/Expenses	1,584	3,391	10,756	171,358	37,368	(645)	81,584	24,080	10,738	78,602	40,790	-	459,607	478,017	96.1%
Total Fair Complex Revenues	474,894	121,366	59,735	324,132	139,413	38,233	153,964	48,647	38,604	124,549	80,558	-	1,604,096	1,538,000	104.3%
Total Fair Complex Expenses	283,389	269,883	109,053	64,849	176,249	64,809	112,445	77,055	64,505	97,473	69,920	-	1,389,630	1,503,487	92.4%
Net Fair Complex Revenues/Expenses	191,505	(148,517)	(49,318)	259,283	(36,836)	(26,576)	41,519	(28,408)	(25,901)	27,076	10,638	-	214,466	34,513	621.4%
Ending Fund Balance/Contingency	818,755	670,238	620,920	880,203	843,368	816,792	858,311	829,903	804,002	831,078	841,716	841,716	841,716	504,173	166.9%

\$ 474,894	\$ 121,366	\$ 59,735	\$ 324,132	\$ 139,413	\$ 38,233	\$ 153,964	\$ 48,647	\$ 38,604	\$ 124,549	\$ 80,558	\$ 69,920	\$ 34,513	Total Revenue	\$ 1,538,000
\$ 283,389	\$ 269,883	\$ 109,053	\$ 64,849	\$ 176,249	\$ 64,809	\$ 112,445	\$ 77,055	\$ 64,505	\$ 97,473	\$ 69,920	\$ 10,638	\$ 34,513	Total Expense	\$ 1,503,487
\$ 191,505	\$ (148,517)	\$ (49,318)	\$ 259,283	\$ (36,836)	\$ (26,576)	\$ 41,519	\$ (28,408)	\$ (25,901)	\$ 27,076	\$ 10,638	\$ 34,513	\$ 34,513		

**Washington County Fair Complex
Balance Sheet Preliminary
May 31, 2008**

Prepared: 6/13/08

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash

Fairplex..Petty cash..	250
Fairplex..Petty cash.Finance- Petty Cash.	-
Fairplex..Cash drawer..	-
Fairplex..Cash drawer.Frite Lites.	-
Fairplex..General Cash Account..	171,070
Fairplex..USNB WASHCO ACH Clearing..	-
Fairplex..CCB-General Account..	9,445
Fairplex..CCB-Money Market Account..	688,627
Fairplex..CCB-ATM Account..	8,109
Fairplex..Gasb 31 cash general port..	5,120
Fairplex..CCB-ATM Cash Drawer..	-
Total Cash	882,621

Accounts Receivable

Fairplex..Accounts receivable - Sub..	15,650
Fairplex..Accounts receivable-on ac..	(31)
Fairplex..Due from other funds.Other 4-H.	(10)

Prepays

Prepaid items	19,402
---------------	--------

Total Assets

917,627

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Payables

Fairplex..Accounts Payable..	-
Fairplex..Accounts payable- other..	-
Fairplex..Deposits payable-subsidia..	300
Fairplex..Retainage payable..	-
Total Payables	300

Other Current Liabilities

Fairplex..Amounts due to others..	802
Fairplex..Conversion Account..	-
Fairplex..Payroll payable..	-
Fairplex..Due to other funds..	-
Fairplex..Deferred revenue- unavail..	-
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue..	-
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.Main Exhibit Hall.	(788)
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.Cloverleaf Building.	-
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.Grounds/General.	1,105
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.Parking-Operations.	-
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.RV Parking-short term.	-
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.Parking-Airshow.	(75)
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.Rodeo Admissions.	-
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.Awards Open Class.	-
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.Deferred Advertising Inco.	150
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.Deferred Airshow Income.	75
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.Deferred Commercial Exhib.	30,394
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.Deferred Concession Reven.	16,725
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.Deferred Sponsorship Inco.	13,353
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.Deferred Facilities Renta.	13,766
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.Livestock Entry Fees.	(56)
Fairplex..Unearned Revenue.Camping Fees.	160
Total Deferred Revenues	75,611

Total Liabilities

75,911

Equity

Fairplex..Fund Balance..	831,078
Net (Income)/Loss for the Period	10,638
Net Equity	841,716

Total Liabilities and Equity

917,627



Monthly Financial Report

Washington County
Current Period: JUN-08

Date:2008-08-21T15:02:26
Page: 1

Currency: USD
Fund=200 (Fairplex), Program=981000 (Fair Complex)

Account	Fun	JUN-08	YTD-Actual	Budget	Remaining Budget	% Use
Taxes						
41025 Transient lodgings tax		(196,494.82)	(779,304.56)	(645,000.00)	134,304.56	120.8%
TOTAL		(196,494.82)	(779,304.56)	(645,000.00)	134,304.56	120.8%
Intergovernmental revenue						
43156 Dept Agriculture Lottery Fund		0.00	0.00	(46,000.00)	(46,000.00)	0.0%
TOTAL		0.00	0.00	(46,000.00)	(46,000.00)	0.0%
Charges for services						
44510 Other fees and charges-operat		0.00	0.00	(15,000.00)	(15,000.00)	0.0%
44514 Commercial Booth Rentals		0.00	(91,550.00)	(82,500.00)	9,050.00	111.0%
44515 Parking Fees		(1,580.00)	(122,311.89)	(108,500.00)	13,811.89	112.7%
44516 Admission Fees		0.00	(189,095.50)	(102,500.00)	86,595.50	184.5%
44517 Sponsorship Fees		0.00	(113,135.00)	(130,000.00)	(16,865.00)	87.0%
44518 Carnival Fees		0.00	(99,541.00)	(80,000.00)	19,541.00	124.4%
44521 Advertising		0.00	0.00	(1,500.00)	(1,500.00)	0.0%
44522 Entry Fees		0.00	(8,126.00)	(6,500.00)	1,626.00	125.0%
TOTAL		(1,580.00)	(623,759.39)	(526,500.00)	97,259.39	118.5%
Miscellaneous revenues						
48105 Invest interest income-genera		(1,763.84)	(28,230.72)	(22,500.00)	5,730.72	125.5%
48135 Cash over and short		0.00	(161.40)	0.00	161.40	n/m
48200 Rental income		(7,878.80)	(202,761.00)	(200,000.00)	2,761.00	101.4%
48205 Concessions		(30.68)	(98,817.76)	(87,000.00)	11,817.76	113.6%
48225 Other miscellaneous revenue-o		(889.50)	(79,694.48)	(11,000.00)	68,694.48	724.5%
Total		(10,562.82)	(409,665.36)	(320,500.00)	89,165.36	127.8%
Total Revenues		(208,637.64)	(1,812,729.31)	(1,538,000.00)	274,729.31	117.9%
Personal Services						
51105 Wages and salaries		35,400.08	286,029.05	369,419.00	83,389.95	77.4%
51110 Temporary salaries		919.70	78,052.48	6,892.00	(71,160.48)	1,132.5%
51115 Overtime and other pay		553.92	3,722.79	0.00	(3,722.79)	n/m
51125 FICA		2,665.41	24,921.75	28,788.00	3,866.25	86.6%
51135 Employer paid work day tax		18.43	171.08	221.00	49.92	77.4%
51140 Pers contribution		5,151.94	41,141.42	59,107.00	17,965.58	69.6%
51150 Health insurance		7,623.21	64,005.21	74,592.00	10,586.79	85.8%



Monthly Financial Report
Washington County
Current Period: JUN-08

Date:2008-08-21T15:02:26
Page:2

Currency: USD
Fund=200 (Fairplex), Program=981000 (Fair Complex)

Account	Fun	JUN-08	YTD-Actual	Budget	Remaining Budget	% Use
51155 Life and long term disability		93.47	629.18	783.00	153.82	80.4%
51160 Unemployment insurance		159.05	1,507.26	1,643.00	135.74	91.7%
51165 Tri-Met tax		216.35	2,044.95	2,471.00	426.05	82.8%
51175 Automobile allowance		0.00	0.00	4,260.00	4,260.00	0.0%
51199 Misc Personal Services		0.00	0.00	18,657.00	18,657.00	0.0%
TOTAL		52,801.56	502,225.17	566,833.00	64,607.83	88.6%
Materials and Supplies						
51205 Supplies-office, general		118.57	4,498.72	6,000.00	1,501.28	75.0%
51210 Supplies-general		1,796.70	29,028.53	36,250.00	7,221.47	80.1%
51215 Supplies-computer		325.00	325.00	0.00	(325.00)	n/m
51285 Services-professional serv		3,749.00	210,094.23	188,000.00	(22,094.23)	111.8%
51295 Advertising and public noti		470.25	138,519.09	121,500.00	(17,019.09)	114.0%
51305 Communications-services		267.99	1,269.90	500.00	(769.90)	254.0%
51310 Utilities		8,704.37	84,530.58	77,500.00	(7,030.58)	109.1%
51320 Repair & maint services-gener		14,376.28	55,334.06	59,500.00	4,165.94	93.0%
51340 Lease and rentals - space		3,201.75	15,285.77	0.00	(15,285.77)	n/m
51345 Lease and rentals - equipment		376.90	23,191.83	30,500.00	7,308.17	76.0%
51350 Dues and membership		20.00	3,830.13	2,500.00	(1,330.13)	153.2%
51355 Training and education		59.00	1,722.00	5,000.00	3,278.00	34.4%
51360 Travel expense		0.00	4,834.03	0.00	(4,834.03)	n/m
51365 Private mileage		166.85	1,548.18	500.00	(1,048.18)	309.6%
51390 Permits, licenses and fees		440.00	440.00	0.00	(440.00)	n/m
51420 Insurance		629.28	27,537.25	32,000.00	4,462.75	86.1%
51465 Postage and freight- Internal		10.95	1,037.92	1,000.00	(37.92)	103.8%
51475 Printing- Internal		149.13	2,797.68	2,000.00	(797.68)	139.9%
51495 Telephone monthly- internal		601.21	11,263.78	8,500.00	(2,763.78)	132.5%
51550 Other materials and services		138.46	104,936.07	127,000.00	22,063.93	82.6%
TOTAL		35,601.69	722,024.75	698,250.00	(23,774.75)	103.4%
Other Expenditures						
52005 Bank Service Charge		360.06	4,092.16	0.00	(4,092.16)	n/m
52045 Taxes, assessments, and lien		243.34	1,030.74	0.00	(1,030.74)	n/m
52130 Other Special Expenditures		0.00	2,027.36	0.00	(2,027.36)	n/m
52136 Awards		91.00	55,348.48	49,000.00	(6,348.48)	113.0%
52137 Rodeo Prize Money		0.00	1,500.00	0.00	(1,500.00)	n/m
55110 Other debt principal		441.73	53,910.72	96,370.00	42,459.28	55.9%



Monthly Financial Report
Washington County
Current Period: JUN-08

Date:2008-08-21T15:02:26
Page:3

Currency: USD
Fund=200 (Fairplex), Program=981000 (Fair Complex)

Account	Fun	JUN-08	YTD-Actual	Budget	Remaining Budget	% Use
56110 Other debt interest payments		61.42	4,185.82	8,113.00	3,927.18	51.6%
58015 Bad debt expense		120.00	120.00	0.00	(120.00)	n/m
Total		1,317.55	122,215.28	153,483.00	31,267.72	79.6%
Interdepartmental Charges						
53010 Interdpt chg-indirect charges		3,285.08	39,420.96	39,421.00	0.04	100.0%
53015 Interdpt chg-legal services		1,233.75	16,279.75	5,500.00	(10,779.75)	296.0%
53055 Interdpt chg-general		0.00	10.00	0.00	(10.00)	n/m
Total		4,518.83	55,710.71	44,921.00	(10,789.71)	124.0%
Transfers to Other Funds						
54195 Transfer to Miscellaneous Deb		0.00	44,946.00	0.00	(44,946.00)	n/m
TOTAL		0.00	44,946.00	0.00	(44,946.00)	n/m
Capital Outlay						
57115 Machinery and equipment over		3,663.60	39,972.42	40,000.00	27.58	99.9%
57135 Other capital outlay		6,693.34	10,657.53	25,000.00	14,342.47	42.6%
TOTAL		10,356.94	50,629.95	65,000.00	14,370.05	77.9%
Contingency						
59010 Contingency		0.00	0.00	567,040.00	567,040.00	0.0%
TOTAL		0.00	0.00	567,040.00	567,040.00	0.0%
Total Expenditures		104,596.57	1,497,751.86	2,095,527.00	597,775.14	71.5%



Monthly Financial Report
Washington County
Current Period: JUN-08

Date:2008-08-21T15:02:26
Page:4

Currency: USD
Fund=200 (Fairplex), Program=981005 (Fair Complex Operations/Interim Income)

Account	Fun	JUN-08	YTD-Actual	Budget	Remaining Budget	% Use
Taxes						
41025 Transient lodgings tax		(196,494.82)	(779,304.56)	(645,000.00)	134,304.56	120.8%
TOTAL		(196,494.82)	(779,304.56)	(645,000.00)	134,304.56	120.8%
Charges for services		0.00	0.00	(15,000.00)	(15,000.00)	0.0%
44510 Other fees and charges-operat		(1,580.00)	(41,189.49)	(31,000.00)	10,189.49	132.9%
44515 Parking Fees		0.00	(130,015.50)	(45,000.00)	85,015.50	288.9%
44516 Admission Fees		0.00	0.00	(30,000.00)	(30,000.00)	0.0%
44517 Sponsorship Fees		(1,580.00)	(171,204.99)	(121,000.00)	50,204.99	141.5%
TOTAL						
Miscellaneous revenues						
48105 Invest interest income-genera		(1,763.84)	(28,230.72)	(22,500.00)	5,730.72	125.5%
48135 Cash over and short		0.00	(1.50)	0.00	1.50	n/m
48200 Rental income		(7,878.80)	(202,761.00)	(200,000.00)	2,761.00	101.4%
48205 Concessions		(30.68)	(3,470.15)	(4,000.00)	(529.85)	86.8%
						1,382.7
48225 Other miscellaneous revenue-o		(889.50)	(13,827.25)	(1,000.00)	12,827.25	%
Total		(10,562.82)	(248,290.62)	(227,500.00)	20,790.62	109.1%
Total Revenues		(208,637.64)	(1,198,800.17)	(993,500.00)	205,300.17	120.7%
Personal Services						
51105 Wages and salaries		24,820.02	200,760.96	256,372.00	55,611.04	78.3%
						1,810.5
51110 Temporary salaries		0.00	36,807.46	2,033.00	(34,774.46)	%
51115 Overtime and other pay		391.56	2,549.54	0.00	(2,549.54)	n/m
51125 FICA		1,881.22	17,531.21	19,768.00	2,236.79	88.7%
51135 Employer paid work day tax		13.01	118.66	144.00	25.34	82.4%
51140 Pers contribution		3,609.09	28,847.78	41,020.00	12,172.22	70.3%
51150 Health insurance		5,221.93	43,842.66	50,937.00	7,094.34	86.1%
51155 Life and long term disability		65.27	439.55	536.00	96.45	82.0%
51160 Unemployment insurance		107.84	1,029.33	1,080.00	50.67	95.3%
51165 Tri-Met tax		152.92	1,438.22	1,697.00	258.78	84.8%
51175 Automobile allowance		0.00	0.00	2,854.00	2,854.00	0.0%
51199 Misc Personal Services		0.00	0.00	12,767.00	12,767.00	0.0%
TOTAL		36,262.86	333,365.37	389,208.00	55,842.63	85.7%



Monthly Financial Report
Washington County
Current Period: JUN-08

Date:2008-08-21T15:02:26
Page:5

Currency: USD
Fund=200 (Fairplex), Program=981005 (Fair Complex Operations/Interim Income)

Account	Fun	JUN-08	YTD-Actual	Budget	Remaining Budget	% Use
Materials and Supplies						
51205 Supplies-office, general		118.57	3,582.43	4,000.00	417.57	89.6%
51210 Supplies- general		1,168.14	15,922.56	26,000.00	10,077.44	61.2%
51215 Supplies-computer		162.50	162.50	0.00	(162.50)	n/m
51285 Services-professional service		1,934.01	97,696.96	93,000.00	(4,696.96)	105.1%
51295 Advertising and public noti		235.12	31,937.20	18,500.00	(13,437.20)	172.6%
51305 Communications-services		267.99	1,242.75	500.00	(742.75)	248.6%
51310 Utilities		8,704.37	73,537.94	65,000.00	(8,537.94)	113.1%
51320 Repair & maint services-gener		13,997.45	52,146.62	57,000.00	4,853.38	91.5%
51340 Lease and rentals - space		3,201.75	15,285.77	0.00	(15,285.77)	n/m
51345 Lease and rentals - equipment		376.90	4,201.80	5,000.00	798.20	84.0%
51350 Dues and membership		20.00	2,961.13	1,500.00	(1,461.13)	197.4%
51355 Training and education		0.00	379.00	1,000.00	621.00	37.9%
51360 Travel expense		0.00	215.81	0.00	(215.81)	n/m
51365 Private mileage		81.85	1,056.61	500.00	(556.61)	211.3%
51420 Insurance		440.50	14,253.77	16,000.00	1,746.23	89.1%
51465 Postage and freight- Internal		10.95	760.17	500.00	(260.17)	152.0%
51475 Printing- Internal		0.00	46.00	500.00	454.00	9.2%
51495 Telephone monthly- internal		601.21	9,173.56	6,000.00	(3,173.56)	152.9%
51550 Other materials and services		0.00	1,401.21	9,000.00	7,598.79	15.6%
TOTAL		31,321.31	325,963.79	304,000.00	(21,963.79)	107.2%
Other Expenditures						
52005 Bank Service Charge		360.06	4,092.16	0.00	(4,092.16)	n/m
52045 Taxes, assessments, and lien		243.34	1,030.74	0.00	(1,030.74)	n/m
52130 Other Special Expenditures		0.00	128.04	0.00	(128.04)	n/m
52136 Awards		91.00	91.00	0.00	(91.00)	n/m
55110 Other debt principal		441.73	53,910.72	96,370.00	42,459.28	55.9%
56110 Other debt interest payments		61.42	4,185.82	8,113.00	3,927.18	51.6%
58015 Bad debt expense		120.00	120.00	0.00	(120.00)	n/m
Total		1,317.55	63,558.48	104,483.00	40,924.52	60.8%
Interdepartmental Charges						
53010 Interdept chg-indirect charges		1,642.58	19,710.96	19,711.00	0.04	100.0%
53015 Interdept chg-legal services		599.25	15,645.25	5,000.00	(10,645.25)	312.9%
53055 Interdept chg-general		0.00	10.00	0.00	(10.00)	n/m
Total		2,241.83	35,366.21	24,711.00	(10,655.21)	143.1%



Monthly Financial Report
Washington County
Current Period: JUN-08

Date: 2008-08-21 15:02:26
Page: 6

Currency: USD
Fund=200 (Fairplex), Program=981005 (Fair Complex Operations/Interim Income)

Account	Fun	JUN-08	YTD-Actual	Budget	Remaining Budget	% Use
Transfers to Other Funds						
54195 Transfer to Miscellaneous Deb		0.00	44,946.00	0.00	(44,946.00)	n/m
TOTAL		0.00	44,946.00	0.00	(44,946.00)	n/m
Capital Outlay						
57115 Machinery and equipment over		3,663.60	39,972.42	40,000.00	27.58	99.9%
57135 Other capital outlay		6,693.34	10,657.53	25,000.00	14,342.47	42.6%
TOTAL		10,356.94	50,629.95	65,000.00	14,370.05	77.9%
Contingency						
59010 Contingency		0.00	0.00	567,040.00	567,040.00	0.0%
TOTAL		0.00	0.00	567,040.00	567,040.00	0.0%
Total Expenditures		81,500.49	853,829.80	1,454,442.00	600,612.20	58.7%



Monthly Financial Report
Washington County
Current Period: JUN-08

Date:2008-08-21T15:02:26
Page:7

Currency: USD
Fund=200 (Fairplex), Program=981010 (Annual County Fair)

Account	Fun	JUN-08	YTD-Actual	Budget	Remaining Budget	% Use
Intergovernmental revenue						
43156 Dept Agriculture Lottery Fund		0.00	0.00	(46,000.00)	(46,000.00)	0.0%
TOTAL		0.00	0.00	(46,000.00)	(46,000.00)	0.0%
Charges for services						
44514 Commercial Booth Rentals		0.00	(91,550.00)	(82,500.00)	9,050.00	111.0%
44515 Parking Fees		0.00	(81,122.40)	(77,500.00)	3,622.40	104.7%
44516 Admission Fees		0.00	(33,430.00)	(32,500.00)	930.00	102.9%
44517 Sponsorship Fees		0.00	(84,475.00)	(72,500.00)	11,975.00	116.5%
44518 Carnival Fees		0.00	(99,541.00)	(80,000.00)	19,541.00	124.4%
44521 Advertising		0.00	0.00	(1,500.00)	(1,500.00)	0.0%
44522 Entry Fees		0.00	(8,126.00)	(6,500.00)	1,626.00	125.0%
TOTAL		0.00	(398,244.40)	(353,000.00)	45,244.40	112.8%
Miscellaneous revenues						
48135 Cash over and short		0.00	(159.90)	0.00	159.90	n/m
48205 Concessions		0.00	(95,347.61)	(83,000.00)	12,347.61	114.9%
48225 Other miscellaneous revenue-o		0.00	(65,799.23)	(10,000.00)	55,799.23	658.0%
Total		0.00	(161,306.74)	(93,000.00)	68,306.74	173.4%
Total Revenues		0.00	(559,551.14)	(492,000.00)	67,551.14	113.7%
Personal Services						
51105 Wages and salaries		10,580.06	85,268.09	113,047.00	27,778.91	75.4%
51110 Temporary salaries		919.70	41,245.02	4,859.00	(36,386.02)	848.8%
51115 Overtime and other pay		162.36	1,173.25	0.00	(1,173.25)	n/m
51125 FICA		784.19	7,390.54	9,020.00	1,629.46	81.9%
51135 Employer paid work day tax		5.42	52.42	77.00	24.58	68.1%
51140 Pers contribution		1,542.85	12,293.64	18,087.00	5,793.36	68.0%
51150 Health insurance		2,401.28	20,162.55	23,655.00	3,492.45	85.2%
51155 Life and long term disability		28.20	189.63	247.00	57.37	76.8%
51160 Unemployment insurance		51.21	477.93	563.00	85.07	84.9%
51165 Tri-Met tax		63.43	606.73	774.00	167.27	78.4%
51175 Automobile allowance		0.00	0.00	1,406.00	1,406.00	0.0%
51199 Misc Personal Services		0.00	0.00	5,890.00	5,890.00	0.0%
TOTAL		16,538.70	168,859.80	177,625.00	8,765.20	95.1%
Materials and Supplies						



Monthly Financial Report

Washington County
Current Period: JUN-08

Date:2008-08-21T15:02:26
Page:8

Currency: USD
Fund=200 (Fairplex), Program=981010 (Annual County Fair)

Account	Fun	JUN-08	YTD-Actual	Budget	Remaining Budget	% Use
51205 Supplies-office, general		0.00	916.29	2,000.00	1,083.71	45.8%
51210 Supplies- general		628.56	11,959.67	10,000.00	(1,959.67)	119.6%
51215 Supplies-computer		162.50	162.50	0.00	(162.50)	n/m
51285 Services-professional servc		1,814.99	76,199.53	60,000.00	(16,199.53)	127.0%
51295 Advertising and public noti		235.13	101,940.89	100,000.00	(1,940.89)	101.9%
51305 Communications-services		0.00	27.15	0.00	(27.15)	n/m
51310 Utilities		0.00	10,992.64	12,500.00	1,507.36	87.9%
51320 Repair & maint services-gener		378.83	3,187.44	2,500.00	(687.44)	127.5%
51345 Lease and rentals - equipment		0.00	16,187.53	22,000.00	5,812.47	73.6%
51350 Dues and membership		0.00	869.00	1,000.00	131.00	86.9%
51355 Training and education		59.00	1,343.00	4,000.00	2,657.00	33.6%
51360 Travel expense		0.00	4,618.22	0.00	(4,618.22)	n/m
51365 Private mileage		85.00	491.57	0.00	(491.57)	n/m
51390 Permits, licenses and fees		440.00	440.00	0.00	(440.00)	n/m
51420 Insurance		188.78	13,283.48	16,000.00	2,716.52	83.0%
51465 Postage and freight- Internal		0.00	277.75	500.00	222.25	55.6%
51475 Printing- Internal		149.13	2,473.68	1,500.00	(973.68)	164.9%
51495 Telephone monthly- internal		0.00	2,090.22	2,500.00	409.78	83.6%
51550 Other materials and services		138.46	102,109.86	115,000.00	12,890.14	88.8%
TOTAL		4,280.38	349,570.42	349,500.00	(70.42)	100.0%
Other Expenditures						
52130 Other Special Expenditures		0.00	1,017.32	0.00	(1,017.32)	n/m
52136 Awards		0.00	51,257.48	45,000.00	(6,257.48)	113.9%
52137 Rodeo Prize Money		0.00	1,500.00	0.00	(1,500.00)	n/m
Total		0.00	53,774.80	45,000.00	(8,774.80)	119.5%
Interdepartmental Charges						
53010 Interdpt chg-indirect charges		1,642.50	19,710.00	19,710.00	0.00	100.0%
53015 Interdpt chg-legal services		634.50	634.50	500.00	(134.50)	126.9%
Total		2,277.00	20,344.50	20,210.00	(134.50)	100.7%
Total Expenditures		23,096.08	592,549.52	592,335.00	(214.52)	100.0%



Monthly Financial Report
Washington County
Current Period: JUN-08

Date:2008-08-21T15:02:26
Page:9

Currency: USD
Fund=200 (Fairplex), Program=981015 (Fair Complex-Rodeo)

Account	Fun	JUN-08	YTD-Actual	Budget	Remaining Budget	% Use
Charges for services						
44516 Admission Fees		0.00	(25,650.00)	(25,000.00)	650.00	102.6%
44517 Sponsorship Fees		0.00	(28,660.00)	(27,500.00)	1,160.00	104.2%
TOTAL		0.00	(54,310.00)	(52,500.00)	1,810.00	103.4%
Miscellaneous revenues						
48225 Other miscellaneous revenue-o		0.00	(68.00)	0.00	68.00	n/m
Total		0.00	(68.00)	0.00	68.00	n/m
Total Revenues		0.00	(54,378.00)	(52,500.00)	1,878.00	103.6%
Materials and Supplies						
51210 Supplies- general		0.00	1,146.30	250.00	(896.30)	458.5%
51285 Services -professional servic		0.00	36,197.74	35,000.00	(1,197.74)	103.4%
51295 Advertising and public noti		0.00	4,641.00	3,000.00	(1,641.00)	154.7%
51345 Lease and rentals - equipment		0.00	2,802.50	3,500.00	697.50	80.1%
51475 Printing- Internal		0.00	278.00	0.00	(278.00)	n/m
51550 Other materials and services		0.00	1,425.00	3,000.00	1,575.00	47.5%
TOTAL		0.00	46,490.54	44,750.00	(1,740.54)	103.9%
Other Expenditures						
52130 Other Special Expenditures		0.00	882.00	0.00	(882.00)	n/m
52136 Awards		0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	100.0%
Total		0.00	4,882.00	4,000.00	(882.00)	122.1%
Total Expenditures		0.00	51,372.54	48,750.00	(2,622.54)	105.4%



Monthly Financial Report
Washington County
Current Period: JUN-08

Date: 2008-08-21T15:02:26
Page: 10

Balance Sheet
Washington County
Current Period: JUN-08

Date:2008-08-26T08:28:07
Page:1

Currency: USD
Fund=200 (Fairplex)

	JUN-08 YTD - Actual	JUN-07 YTD - Actual	Variance	Variance %
Assets:				
Cash and investments	894,184.57	569,096.60	325,087.97	57.12
Cash restricted for equipment acquisition	0.00	0.00	0.00	n/m
Property taxes receivable	0.00	0.00	0.00	n/m
Assessments receivable	0.00	0.00	0.00	n/m
Accounts receivable	190,094.67	188,214.29	1,880.38	1.00
Investment interest receivable	0.00	0.00	0.00	n/m
Contracts receivable	0.00	0.00	0.00	n/m
Due from other funds	(10.00)	(10.00)	0.00	0.00
Other assets	21,206.05	6,748.77	14,457.28	214.22
Assets held for resale	0.00	0.00	0.00	n/m
Total Assets	1,105,475.29	764,049.66	341,425.63	44.69
Liabilities, Fund Equity and Other Credits				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable	27,915.92	17,640.92	10,275.00	58.25
Accrued payroll liabilities	18,512.79	15,137.36	3,375.43	22.30
Accrued self-insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	n/m
Accrued OHP IBNR Reserve	0.00	0.00	0.00	n/m
Amounts held in trust	801.50	801.50	0.00	0.00
Due to other funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	n/m
Tenants and other deposits	300.00	600.00	(300.00)	(50.00)
Deferred revenue	112,515.80	102,619.80	9,896.00	9.64
Other long-term obligations	0.00	0.00	0.00	n/m
Total Liabilities	160,046.01	136,799.58	23,246.43	16.99
Fund equity:				
Fund balances:				
Unserviced fund balances:				
Undesignated	945,429.28	627,250.08	318,179.20	50.73
Total fund equity	945,429.28	627,250.08	318,179.20	50.73
Total liabilities, fund equity and other credits	1,105,475.29	764,049.66	341,425.63	44.69

WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR COMPLEX SCHEDULE September, 2008

(Highlighted events are no-charge)

Wednesday, September 03, 2008

****Floral Building** **Monthly Meetings**

Friday, September 05, 2008

Lawn Area Sustainable Living Show

Saturday, September 06, 2008

Main Exhibit-South Private Party
Lawn Area Sustainable Living Show

Sunday, September 07, 2008

Lawn Area Sustainable Living Show
Quadrant Property Oregon Rally Cross

Monday, September 08, 2008

Plaza Smoke School

Tuesday, September 09, 2008

Plaza Smoke School

Wednesday, September 10, 2008

Plaza Smoke School
****Entire Facility** **4-H Night**

Saturday, September 13, 2008

Main Exhibit Hall Glass Show

Sunday, September 14, 2008

Main Exhibit Hall Glass Show

Wednesday, September 17, 2008

****Entire Facility** **4-H Night**

Wednesday, September 24, 2008

Cloverleaf Bldg. Hillsboro Parks & Rec. Dog Training
****Entire Facility** **4-H Night**

Saturday, September 27, 2008

Main Exhibit Hall Unique Animal Expo

Sunday, September 28, 2008

Main Exhibit Hall Unique Animal Expo

****NOTE:** All month long, preparation and staging for the Halloween show will be underway at Friendship Square and at other various points on the grounds by Haunting Productions, LLC.

SPECIAL REPORTS

**Washington County Fair
County Report
4-H**

August 29, 2007

Budget:

Expenses to date:

Ribbons	1508
(need to order 25 RC ribbons)	75 (est)
Shavings	2040
Judges	
Horses	3350 (est. need to reimburse to Horse)
HEARTH	1680
Animal Science	986.67
(2 judges donated their time)	
Development)	
Equip/Supplies	1631.71
(food, equip, supplies, water)	
Printing	1045
Premiums	2851.25
Temp Staff & Security	2300

Total: 17467.63

Income to date:

Cash

Washington County Fair	15,000
Donor (Boosters Recruited)	1,000
Temp Staff (OSU)	2,000

Total: 18000

In-Kind: (will update)

Red Lion Hotel	1020
(horse Judges)	

Awards	TBA
--------	-----

Horse Development Committee
Walkie Talkies

Participants: (see summary)

24 Adventures K-12
134 Juniors 4-6
165 Intermediates 7-9

108 Seniors 10-12

5 other

Awarded:

Grand Champion	16
Reserve Grand Champion	10
Champion	301
Reserve Champion	148
Blue	1581
Red	536
White	218
Participant/K-3	38

Entries 3453

Animal Science:

Pigs	66
Sheep –	90
Pygmy Goats –	5
Meat Goats –	10
Beef	41
Dairy	32
Llamas	3
Horses	120

Exhibit Hall

See summary attached

**Washington County Fair 2008
4-H Statistics and Budget Report**

INCOME

Washington County Fair	\$15,000.00
TOTAL	\$15,000.00

EXPENSES

Judging Fees	\$5,225.00
Security (horse fair)	\$400.00
Hotel (horse judges)	\$658.42
Ribbon Order	\$2,140.27
Award Sticker Order	\$93.10
Honey Buckets	\$835.00
Printing	\$810.00
Supplies/Equipment	\$223.37
Premiums	\$4,115.00
TOTAL	\$14,500.16

IN KIND

Judging Fees (donated time)	\$70.00
TOTAL	\$70.00

PARTICIPANTS

Adventures K-3	23
Junior 4-6	129
Intermediate 7-9	169
Senior 10-12	104
Other (clubs)	3
TOTAL	428

AWARDS

Grand Champion	13
Reserve Grand Champion	9
Champion	309
Reserve Champion	156
Blue	1555
Red	349
White	153
Participant (Adventures)	55
Special Award	53
TOTAL	2652

PROJECT SUMMARY (exhibits)

Livestock

Beef	46
------	----

Dairy	44
Horse and Pony	649
Sheep	49
Swine	117
Goats - Dairy	8
Goat - Fiber	7
Goat - Pygmy	8
Goat - Meat	14
TOTAL	942

Dog

Dog	8
TOTAL	8

Small Animal

see attached Project Analysis Summary

Exhibit Hall

see attached Project Analysis Summary

Project Analysis Summary

MainFair

Printed on 08/14/2008 at 11:03 am

Washington

Project Description / Class Type	Entries	Exhibits	People	Ttl Entries	Ttl Exhibits	Ttl People
Educational Displays, Other (for Fair Only)	12	12	12	12	12	12
Educational displays, Citizenship and Leadership	1	1	1	1	1	1
Educational Displays, Expressive Arts	2	2	2	2	2	2
Educational Displays, Home Economics	7	7	7	7	7	7
Educational Displays, Natural Resources	2	2	2	2	2	2
Educational Displays, Horticulture	3	3	3	3	3	3
Educational Displays, Animal Science	20	20	20	20	20	20
Educational Displays, Engineering	1	1	1	1	1	1
Public Speaking				16	16	16
Contests	16	16	16			
Creative Writing	62	62	37	62	62	37
Art Painting	202	202	54	202	202	54
Ceramics	2	2	1	2	2	1
Cake Decorating	11	11	10	11	11	10
Photography	184	184	68	184	184	68
Leather craft	2	2	2	2	2	2
Fiber Arts (Quilting, Embroidery, Cross Stitch)	52	52	32	52	52	32
Child Care / Development	4	4	4	4	4	4
Clothing and Textiles	69	69	38	85	85	39
Contests	15	15	15			
Judging Contests	1	1	1			
Home Environment	5	5	5	5	5	5
Knitting	28	28	16	28	28	16
Crocheting	8	8	6	8	8	6
Geology	1	1	1	1	1	1
Recycling	27	27	27	27	27	27
Foods and Nutrition	137	137	56	198	198	65
Contests	60	60	36			
Judging Contests	1	1	1			
Food Preservation	31	31	14	31	31	14
Crops				25	25	25
Judging Contests	25	25	25			
Gardening, Fruits and Vegetables	46	46	17	96	96	59
Contests	46	46	44			
Judging Contests	4	4	4			
Flower Gardening	60	60	22	103	103	45
Contests	40	40	40			
Judging Contests	3	3	3			
Container Gardening	44	44	18	44	44	18
Beef	59	46	23	82	46	23
Showmanship	23		23			
Poultry	79	79	18	110	91	20
Showmanship	19		19			
Judging Contests	12	12	12			
Exotic Birds	10	10	8	19	10	9
Showmanship	9		9			
Dairy Cattle	59	44	22	107	69	25

Project Analysis Summary

MainFair

Printed on 08/14/2008 at 11:03 am

Washington

Project Description / Class Type	Entries	Exhibits	People	Ttl Entries	Ttl Exhibits	Ttl People
Showmanship	23		23			
Judging Contests	25	25	25			
Horse and Pony	649	649	124	1,052	902	125
Showmanship	150		123			
Contests	253	253	46			
Rabbits	119	119	43	216	165	51
Showmanship	51		50			
Contests	7	7	4			
Judging Contests	39	39	39			
Cavies	26	24	8	46	33	11
Showmanship	11		11			
Judging Contests	9	9	8			
Dogs	8	8	6	24	16	8
Showmanship	8		8			
Judging Contests	8	8	8			
Sheep	52	49	26	79	49	26
Showmanship	27		26			
Swine	142	117	70	213	117	70
Showmanship	71		70			
Goats - Dairy	8	8	6	14	8	6
Showmanship	6		6			
Goats - Angora	7	7	4	11	7	4
Showmanship	4		4			
Goats - Pygmy	11	8	2	14	9	2
Showmanship	2		2			
Contests	1	1	1			
Meat Goats - SF	17	14	5	22	14	5
Showmanship	5		5			
Science and Technology				1	1	1
Contests	1	1	1			
Computer	15	15	8	25	25	14
Contests	10	10	9			
Electricity / Electronics	1	1	1	1	1	1
Robotics	11	11	6	11	11	6
Wood Science	15	15	15	15	15	15
4-H Adventures	55	55	17	57	57	17
Judging Contests	2	2	2			
Grand Totals				3353	2880	1031

Total Number of Exhibitors with Entries * 428

Total Number of Exhibitors at Fair ** 345

Total Number of Exhibitors with Static Entries Only *** 83

* All exhibitors in fair (counts each exhibitor once)

** Exhibitors who came to the fair to PARTICIPATE in their classes (show animals, participate in contests)

*** Exhibitors with one or more static exhibits, and NO participation entries. They did not have to come to fair to participate in any of their classes.

Entries: every entry in every class. One exhibit (one cow) may account for several entries.

Project Analysis Summary

MainFair

Printed on 08/14/2008 at 11:03 am

Washington

Project Description / Class Type	Entries	Exhibits	People	Ttl Entries	Ttl Exhibits	Ttl People
----------------------------------	---------	----------	--------	-------------	--------------	------------

County of Washington

Washington County Fair Complex
873 NE 34th Avenue
Hillsboro, Oregon 97124
Phone: (503) 648-1416
Fax: (503) 648-7208
www.faircomplex.com

MEMORANDUM

Date: August 27, 2008

To: Washington County Fair Complex Board

From: Leah E. Perkins-Hagele, Fair Coordinator

Re: September 2008 Operations Report

Main Exhibit Hall – Gables were replaced at the end of June. They will be painted or stained and sealed before Fall weather begins.

Roof Consultant – The roof consultant report is attached.

Cottonwood Tree Removal – The Cottonwood Trees were removed in August. We had several close calls with large branches falling during the Fair.

Frite Lites – Staff is underway with planning and preparations for Frite Lites, which is being re-branded this year as Shocktober Festival, as the event has changed drastically with the addition of the 13th Door production company.

Airshow – Staff parked 2595 cars for the 2008 Oregon International Airshow, which is down from the 5665 cars that were parked in 2007.

July 17, 2008



Ms. Leah Perkins
Fair Director
Washington County Fair Complex
873 NE 34th Ave.
Hillsboro, Oregon 97124

RE: ROOF EVALUATIONS – MAIN EXHIBIT HALL BLDG. & CLOVERLEAF BLDG.

Dear Ms. Perkins:

As requested, on June 22, 2008, Professional Roof Consultants, Inc., (PRC) visited the Washington County Fair Complex in Hillsboro, Oregon in order to perform an inspection of the metal roofs and associated components currently in service at both the Main Exhibit Hall and Cloverleaf Buildings. The purpose for the inspection was to evaluate the existing roof systems and related components to determine their current condition and estimated remaining service lives, locate potential problem areas pertaining to the existing roofing and flashing systems, identify code issues, attempt to ascertain the causes of on-going leaks at both buildings, and provide recommendations for future actions with regards to either repair or replacement.

BUILDING SUMMARIES

The Main Exhibit Hall is a 24,000 SF open floor plan building that serves as kitchen and exhibit space. Constructed by volunteer labor in the 1950s, it has been plagued with a series of problems, most notably several on-going roof leaks (predominantly at the south end of the building) and various structural issues. Building walls are allegedly constructed of unreinforced concrete masonry units. Open web wood trusses support the ceiling structure, and also support the roof; cable collar ties have been recently installed at the trusses in an effort to upgrade the structural soundness of the walls. The current roof system on the Exhibit Hall is a precoated galvanized steel standing seam panel roof

installed over a single layer of asphalt shingles (the former roof system) on part of the roof, with the remaining installed over an asphalt-impregnated base sheet (it appears as though shingles were removed from part of the roof – not all). Roof sheathing, depending upon the location (one side of the ridge or the other), is either 5 ply plywood sheets or shiplap planks mechanically attached to 2"x6" wood purlins. Where "attic" space exists, insulation is installed below the ceiling, and is present neither above the roof deck nor in the "attic" space, aside from walls. Where no "attic" space is present, batt insulation blankets faced with a vapor retarding vinyl sheet are mechanically attached between rafters.

According to Fair Complex personnel, construction of the approximately 6,000 SF Cloverleaf Building began in 1969 and



Aerial View – Main Exhibit Hall



Aerial View – Cloverleaf Bldg.

was completed in 1982). A steel framed building, both EIFS (Exterior Insulated Finish System) and stucco have been used as exterior finishes. The currently installed 14-year old roof is a structural ribbed standing seam, 36" wide metal panel system over metal framing; fiberglass batt insulation and associated vapor retarder are installed below the roof deck between steel purlins. Leaks associated with both the roof and walls have been reported, and water damage was noted at various locations at the time of inspection. The Cloverleaf Building contains exhibit, office and kitchen space.

MAIN EXHIBIT HALL

AN ESTIMATED LIFESPAN FOR THIS ROOF CANNOT BE GIVEN WITHOUT STRUCTURAL EVALUATION **REPAIR AS NEEDED & MAINTAIN UNTIL STRUCTURAL ISSUES ARE ADDRESSED.**

1. Precoated 18" wide galvanized steel standing seam roof panels (panel manufacturer unknown) are fastened at the ridge, and are generally in good condition. Fasteners, however, are corroded throughout the area of the roof.
2. The metal panel roof system was reported to be installed over an existing asphalt shingle roof system, though views from underneath the deck show remaining shingles on one side of the ridge only. No separation layer (roofing felt or other synthetic underlayment to keep the asphalt shingles from abrading or sticking to the underside of the metal roof) was noted to be installed between the old and new systems. Roof sheathing (both plywood and shiplap) appeared, generally, in good condition.
3. Vapor retarder attached below the roof deck between rafters has detached at several locations, revealing moldy, water-stained insulation indicating moisture infiltration through the roof system. Water staining at several interior roof to wall locations also exist, indicating roof leaks.
4. Water staining and peeling paint were evident at areas of known leaks (kitchen, men's room, south end at interior wall). Efforts to repair suspected leak causes have been unsuccessful.
5. Concrete masonry unit (CMU) walls exhibit cracks on both the inside and outside of the building. According to Fair Complex personnel, these masonry walls are unreinforced, causing concern about their stability during seismic activities (previous seismic activity caused several of the cracks currently visible).
6. Several of the 2"x6" (nominal) roof joists have been augmented by "sistering" (splicing) with an additional joist, some of which are twisting and cracking. Joists span, unsupported, distances well over the recommended 8'-10' range, causing framing deflection. This deflection produces the wavy and uneven appearance of the metal panels when viewed from roof level.
7. Joists are mechanically attached to the ridge beam with nails, though some were noted to be attached via hanger. Building movement has caused nails at several joist locations to start detaching from the ridge beam.
8. Roof support posts originally installed to floor level were removed during previous building repairs, leaving unrepaired holes in the roof sheathing, and areas of unsupported metal panels. New support posts installed under the ridge beam and extending to the attic floor are of random lengths; several have been augmented with equally random, unfastened pieces of wood tightly stacked between the post and ridge, or post and floor. Building movement has caused several posts to stand less than vertical.
9. Several rooftop pipe penetration flashings have been installed over metal panel seams (a high movement area); preformed flashing boots are adhered to the metal with sealant, rendering the penetration's weather-tightness dependent upon the sealant's integrity (no mechanical fasteners connecting the boot to the panel were noted). Sealant-dependent details are typically high maintenance and prone to early failure if not frequently monitored, especially on roof systems which experience significant thermal expansion and contraction (causing accelerated weakening of the sealant-to-substrate bond over time).
10. Preformed flashing boots installed at vent pipe penetrations lack clamping bands and sealant at top edge, creating a condition through which moisture may be allowed to enter the roof system.
11. Fasteners at the ridge cap flashing (south ridge) have become detached in various locations, creating openings through which wind-blown moisture may enter into the building.

12. Flanged roof vents have been surface-mounted and adhered with sealant to the metal panel (no mechanical fasteners noted), creating a highly sealant-dependant detail. Flashings exhibit corrosion due to galvanic reaction between dissimilar metals.
13. Rake flashing on the northeast and southeast perimeter of the building has detached, exposing the wood substrate below. Additionally, a length of gutter edge flashing near the detached southeast rake flashing has not been installed.
14. A section of rake and fascia flashing is cut away to accommodate the installation of a wall-mounted spotlight, leaving the substrate below exposed to the weather and open to moisture infiltration.
15. Leaks to the interior of the building occur at two valley termination locations (east and west perimeter), both of which lack adequate slope to the gutter and are sealant-dependant.
16. Leaks at gutter seams and downspouts have caused staining of adjacent metal components and rotting of adjacent wood components. Lengths of gutter are misshapen from mechanical damage.
17. Sealant at entrance canopy cricket is brittle and failing. Water staining and debris exist behind cricket.

RECOMMENDATION

1. ***Based upon observations of roof framing and wall construction at the time of the roof evaluation, a structural evaluation of the building is strongly recommended.***

The metal panel roof system is generally in fair condition, with inadequacies related primarily to poor detailing and installation techniques. However, larger, more serious problems exist relative to the building structure; before remedial actions can be recommended for the roof system, PRC strongly suggests a structural evaluation of the building be performed as it is anticipated that structural upgrades which may affect the roof will be required.

PHOTOGRAPHIC DOCUMENTATION

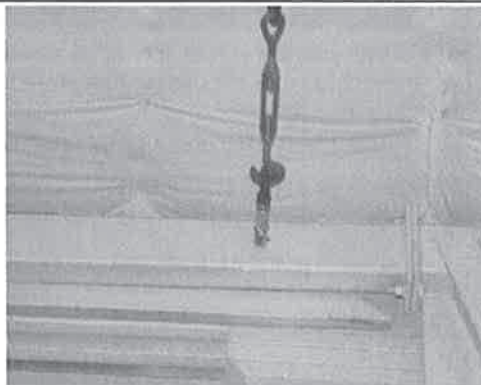
MAIN EXHIBIT HALL

1.01



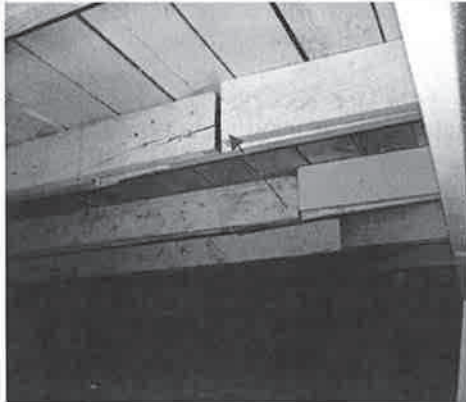
Cracks in the unreinforced concrete masonry unit wall exist at both interior and exterior of the building.

1.02



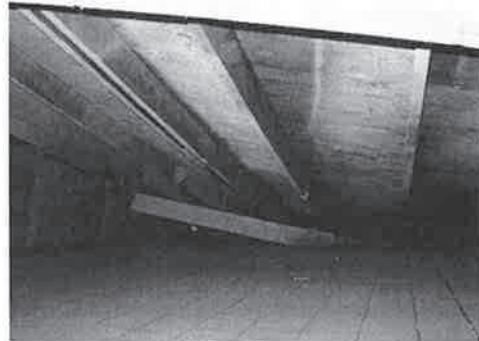
Cable collar ties installed to truss system in an effort to stabilize wall movement.

1.03



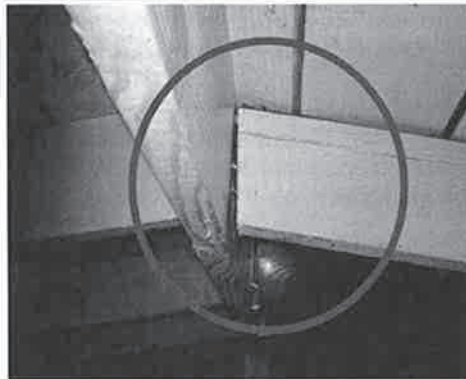
"Sistering" at roof joists. Note cracking and twisting in repair joist.

1.04



2" x 6" joists are spaced every 24" and span well over the recommended 8'-10' length, causing significant deflection.

1.05



Joists toenailed into the ridge beam are detaching due to building movement.

1.06



Note random wood pieces stacked below roof support posts.

1.07



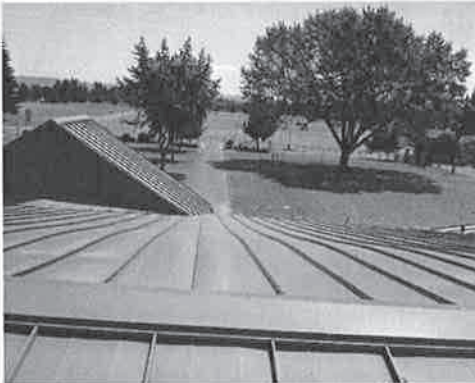
Detaching vapor retarder reveals moldy and water stained insulation at roof to wall junction.

1.08



Unrepaired hole in plywood sheathing where roof support post previously existed. Note presence of asphalt shingles.

1.09



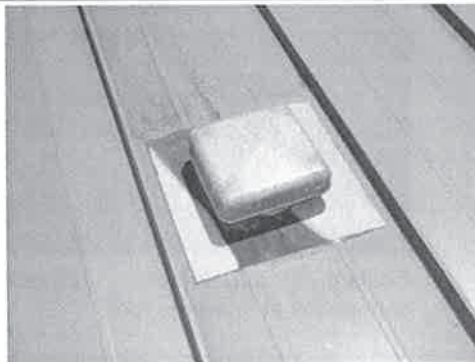
Wavy appearance in roof panels suggest joist deflection.

1.10



Vent pipe penetration and pipe boot flashing installed over panel seam. Flashing boot is adhered with sealant and lacks clamping and sealant at top edge.

1.11



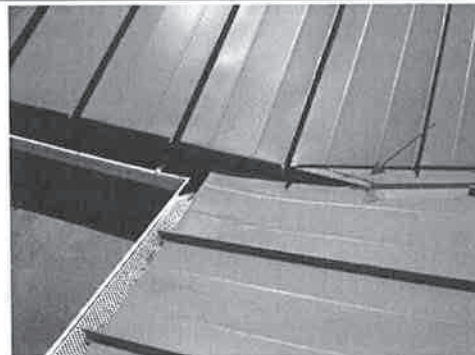
Flanged vent penetration adhered to panel surface with sealant. Note corrosion from galvanic reaction.

1.12



Raised ridge flashing due to detaching fasteners – south ridge juncture.

1.13



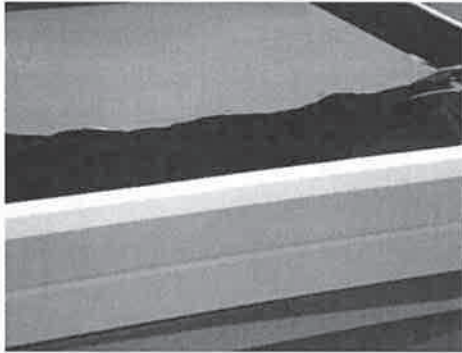
"Dead" valley, adjacent to leak location at men's room. Note staining on panels where water pools, as well as sealant application on downslope.

1.14



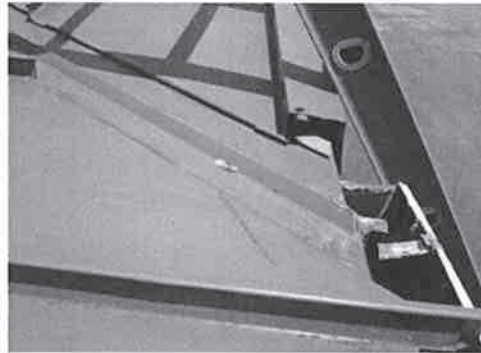
Open rake flashing where spotlight has been installed, exposing substrate to weather.

1.15



Missing flashing at gutter section.

1.16



Broken, detached gutter strap.

1.17



Leak at gutter seam – note stained, deformed metal and rotten wood adjacent.

1.18



Sealant dependant cricket-to-roof connection at entrance roof.

CLOVERLEAF BUILDING:

THE LIFE SPAN IS ESTIMATED TO BE BETWEEN 2-3 YEARS WITH REGULAR MONITORING AND MAINTENANCE.
REPAIR AS NEEDED AND MAINTAIN UNTIL FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE FOR REPLACEMENT.

18. The structural metal panel roof system is mechanically attached to steel framing. Fiberglass batt blanket insulation is installed between steel framing members below the roof, in the attic space, and is faced with a polyethylene vapor retarder. Interior wallboard and steel framing members are severely water stained or corroded, especially on the south wall of the building, indicating the historical nature of moisture infiltration to the interior. Corresponding exterior wall damage is evident as well.
19. 36" wide x 21' long ribbed metal panels are mechanically fastened with exposed rubber washered screws. Fasteners, which are numerous, occur at panel side laps, at gutter edges, and at the ridge, provided multiple lines of fixity and effectively inhibiting proper thermal movement (expansion and contraction) of panels. Water staining exists at many fastener locations, and several fasteners have been sealed in what appears to be an attempted leak repair (corroded fasteners were observed from below the roof). Several fasteners at panel seam overlaps have detached from the seam below.
20. Gutters exist at north and south perimeters of the building and have been attached by straps mechanically fastened through the roof every 6' o.c. Gutters lack expansion joints, and riveted gutter seams are leaking.
21. Multiple pipe and vent penetrations exist on the south side of the building; associated flanges and flashings are surface mounted and sealant dependant. Excessive corrosion is evident on all penetrations and associated components.
22. Ridge flashing is constructed from varying lengths of metal, is lapped and sealant dependant. Failing sealant and bowing metal create voids through which moisture can enter the roof system.
23. Wall finish systems (both EIFS and stucco) are installed to the bottom of the gutter and to the top of the finished grade, allowing moisture to enter the wall via both leaking gutter seams at the top of the wall and wicking action from the soil at the bottom of the wall. Though the north-facing overhang wall and soffit exhibit the worst damage (soffit is detaching from the vertical wall), instances of damage from moisture infiltration into the wall system exist at various locations throughout.
24. Condensation is present at office windows located on the south side of the building next to a planter bed with sprinkler system. Sill flashings have not been installed, and the exterior wall finish coat is installed to grade, creating two likely causes for moisture within the wall system at this location.
25. A hole in the cementitious/hybrid stucco wall exists on the east wall of the building, adjacent to exterior attic access door.

RECOMMENDATION

1. ***As soon as financially feasible, remove the existing metal panel roof system and associated components and replace with a new roof system, ensuring proper fastening patterns and flashing details are followed. Two options could be considered for the roof replacement:***
 - a. ***Complete removal of the existing system and installation of a concealed fastener, structural standing seam metal panel roof system.***
 - b. ***Overlay the existing roof (pending structural evaluation) with rigid insulation and new adhered single ply membrane system.***
2. ***Extend gutter edge of roof and install new wood blocking as required to allow for new gutter and metal closure/drip flashing to be installed away from the wall finish system.***
3. ***Remove and replace failing gutter and downspout system. Provide expansion joints in gutter lengths which exceed 50'.***
4. ***Remove damaged batt insulation and install new. Scrape, prime and paint all corroded metal framing members.***
5. ***Remove and reinstall damaged wall components, with priority given to components associated with the north wall.***

6. *Where possible (i.e., where walls do not require extensive structural repair), patch holes and cracks in the exterior wall finish systems.*
7. *Redirect sprinkler spray away from building walls and windows.*
8. *Remove and replace failing sealant applications at windows. Consider installing sill/pan flashing at window.*

The structural metal panel roof system installed on the Cloverleaf Building is currently failing, primarily due to poor detailing and installation, as well as the high maintenance nature of as exposed fastener metal panel roof system. Multiple and leaking fasteners coupled with failing sealant at sealant dependant installations (penetrations, ridge cap) appear to consistently allow water through the panel system into the building's interior, causing significant damage at building walls.

PHOTOGRAPHIC DOCUMENTATION

CLOVERLEAF BUILDING

1.19



Multiple fasteners exist throughout the roof system, inhibiting the panels' ability to expand and contract.

1.20



Most likely an attempt to stop water from penetrating fastener holes, sealant has been applied over fastener heads at various locations.

1.21



Water staining around sealed fastener head.

1.22



Sealant-dependant pipe flashing and corroded pipe penetration.

1.23



Corroded fasteners as seen from below the roof panel

1.24



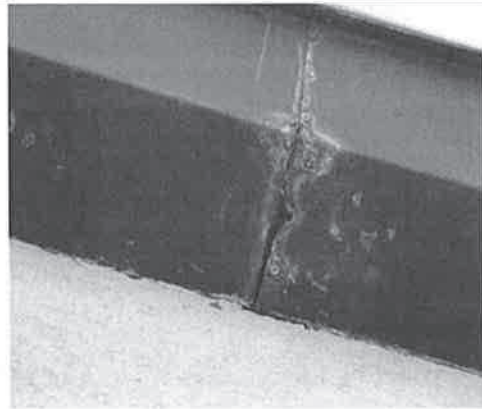
Water stained batt insulation at vent pipe penetration.

1.25



Gutter straps fastened through the roof panel. Note also excessive organic debris within gutter.

1.26



Wall finish installed flush with bottom of gutter. Note leaking gutter seam at this location.

1.27



Stained and damaged wall sheathing as seen from attic space – south wall.

1.28



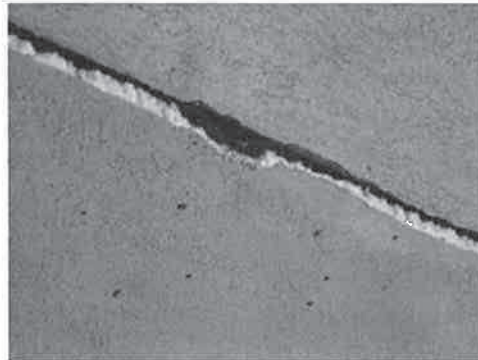
South wall – note water staining on wall and floor as well as corroded steel framing.

1.29



Exterior view of south wall overhang and soffit. Note soffit panel is warped and detaching from vertical wall.

1.30



Close-up view of detaching soffit panel at south wall overhang.

1.31



Hole through wall system at east side of building. This cavity currently serves as a bird house.

1.32



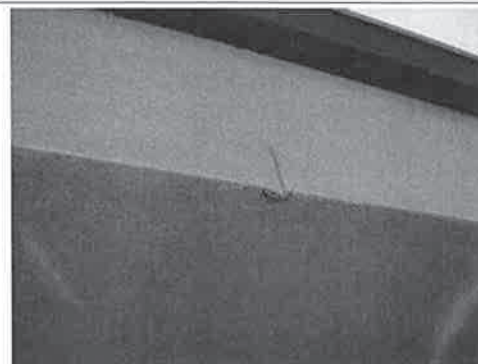
Note rusted door framing members at attic access location – east wall.

1.33



Patch/repair holes and cracks in finish system where possible.

1.34



Damage to wall system at front entrance.

1.35



Lapped, sealant-dependant ridge flashing. Sealant was noted to be failing at this location.

1.36



Algae growth at lower edge of corridor overhang, indicating water exists or has existed within the wall system.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide services with regard to this project. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter report, or if we may be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Meg Ridgely, Technical Specialist, RRO
PROFESSIONAL ROOF CONSULTANTS, INC.

OLD BUSINESS

WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR COMPLEX BOARD

Policy Resolution 306

Access to Fair Complex Facilities

RECITALS

- A. WHEREAS, the Washington County Fair Board has the exclusive authority to manage all property owned, leased, used or controlled by the County devoted to the use of the County Fair;
- B. WHEREAS, the Washington County Fair Board is vested with the authority from the Washington County Board of Commissioners to administer the affairs and set policy for the Washington County Fair Complex; and
- C. WHEREAS, the Washington County Fair Complex manages, on behalf of the Washington County, public properties consisting of land, buildings, improvements and equipment purchased with public funds; donated in whole or part by private funds; and/or built and maintained in whole or part by volunteer labor or services; and
- D. WHEREAS, the Washington County Fair Board believes that it is in the best interest of the Fair Complex and Washington County to establish a policy regarding access and trespass at the Fair Complex,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1. The purpose of this policy is to govern conditions of use and access to the Washington County Fair Complex facilities both during and after normal business hours in order to maintain the integrity and security of the facilities, to protect the public who is using the facilities, and to protect employees who work within the facilities.
- 2. The Washington County Fair Complex Board considers the security of the facilities, the public using those facilities, and security of its employees to be a priority. The Washington County Fair Complex Board hereby implements these measures to protect critical infrastructure.
- 3. During the time period in which scheduled activities or events are underway at the Washington County Fair Complex, those gates within the facility that allow the most convenient access for those producing the event and those attending the event, will be opened allowing entry into the facility. Gates and access points that do not directly apply to said activities will remain locked.

4. During time periods when no activities or events are scheduled at the Washington County Fair Complex, all gates and access points within the facility will be locked. Those wishing to gain access to the facility are required to check with the Administrative Office during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, from 8 AM to 5 PM to explain the need to enter the grounds and what area of the facility access is required. Subsequent arrangements will be made with Staff to unlock the necessary gates once the need is stated and approved by Staff. Access to the facility outside of regular business hours and on weekends needs to be arranged at least 24 hours in advance. All individuals at the Washington County Fair Complex without permission to enter the Fair Complex shall be considered trespassers.
5. The Washington County Fair Complex Board grants the Washington County Fair Complex Staff the authority to question individuals as to their reason for being on the grounds if individuals are found to be accessing areas of the facility not directly related to scheduled activities underway, or are accessing areas of the facility not directly related to their stated business or project which gained them pre-arranged access to the facility.
6. If upon questioning the individual, or individuals, Staff deems there is no need for access to the part of the facility in question, the staff can ask the parties involved to vacate that part of the facility and either return to the area of their intended use on the property, or to leave the facility entirely.
7. If staff determines that in order to maintain the integrity and security of the facilities, to protect the public who is using the facilities, and/or to protect employees who work within the facilities, it must refuse entry or eject an individual or individuals, the Fair Complex Board grants Staff the authority to refuse entry or eject such individual or individuals.
8. Staff shall contact law enforcement if an individual or individuals enter the Fair Complex without permission and/or refuse to leave the Fair Complex upon being ejected by Staff.

Any conflict between this policy and other policies established by the Fair Complex Board shall be resolved by the Complex's Executive Director and reported to the Fair Complex Board at its next regular Board meeting.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2008.

ATTEST:

Recording Secretary

Board President

NEW BUSINESS

County of Washington

Washington County Fair Complex
873 NE 34th Avenue
Hillsboro, Oregon 97124
Phone: (503) 648-1416
Fax: (503) 648-7208
lperkins@faircomplex.com
www.faircomplex.com

MEMORANDUM

Date: August 27, 2008

To: Washington County Fair Complex Board

From: Leah Perkins-Hagele, Fair Coordinator

Re: 2008 County Fair Report

Here is some ancillary information regarding this year's event.

Attendance – Total attendance was approximately 86,000 which are 4% down from 2007. Thursday's attendance was down 2%, Friday was up 10%, Saturday was up 24% and Sunday was down 26%.

Fairtime Revenues – Revenues are still trickling in as well as bills to pay. Carnival was down 2% and Food & Beverage percentages were up 3% over 2007. Commercial Exhibit sales were slow this year with vendors signing up later than normal. 5 spaces in the Main Exhibit Hall did not sell as well as 1 outside space; however we did exceed the budget in this area by 5%. Many of our regular out of state vendors did not come this year as they said fuel prices didn't justify traveling to Oregon. Parking revenues remained flat, yet exceeded budget by 4%

Arena Events – The arena can hold (per the Hillsboro Fire Department) 2806 people with the 3 sets of rental bleachers that we brought in, less 255 from the dedicated use for the sponsor area for a total of 2551 seats for general admission. This number is determined by 18" per person. The average fair attendee tends to take up more than 18", so it's difficult to put that many people in, as they don't want to sit that close to their neighbor, especially in warm weather.

Thursday - Bull Bash had 1016 paid through the gate not including comps.
Friday – Truck Pull had 1591 paid through the gate not including comps.
Saturday – Monster Truck and Mud Bogs had 1927 paid, 231 comps for a total of 2286
Sunday – Demo Derby had 1856 paid, 147 comps for a total of 2105.

Please note that we do not have a comp count for Thursday and Friday as those tickets were inadvertently thrown out before they could be counted.

Exact figures for these events will be available in the August financials.

Shuttle Buses – The shuttle buses delivered 4673 from the Tri-Met Light Rail over the 4 days.

Entertainment – The Cluck Cluck Golf Course was a big hit even though the lines got a little lengthy at times. The variety entertainment stages were packed much of the time including the new Wild West Stage and the very popular Mother Goose's Farm Yard Fun area. The two County bands and the Rock and Blues bands received many compliments as well and entertained healthy crowds each night. The Pirates Parrot Show, although in a new location, this show, provided by Hillsboro Feed, played to standing-room-only crowds almost every day.

Amphitheater – The two day Latino music festival did not draw the crowds of the previous year with 5878 attendees over the two days.

Numbers for Open Class and 4-H will be available in September.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Calendar of Events
September 2008 – February 2009

Date	Event	Location
<u>September</u>		
1	Labor Day	Office Closed
3	Board Meeting	Floral Building (4:30 PM)
3	Booster Meeting	Floral Building (4:30 PM)
<u>October</u>		
1	Board Meeting	Floral Building (4:30 PM)
1	Booster Meeting	Floral Building (7:00 PM)
10-31	Shocktober Festival	Fair Complex
<u>November</u>		
5	Board Meeting	Floral Building (4:30 PM)
5	Booster Meeting	Floral Building (7:00 PM)
11	Veterans Day Holiday	Office Closed
27	Thanksgiving Holiday	Office Closed
<u>December</u>		
3	Board Meeting	Floral Building (4:30 PM)
3	Booster Meeting	Floral Building (7:00 PM)
15-18	IAFE Convention	Las Vegas, NV
25	Christmas Holiday	Office Closed
<u>January</u>		
1	New Years Day	Office Closed
7	Board Meeting	Floral Building (4:30 PM)
7	Booster Meeting	Floral Building (4:30 PM)
8-11	Oregon Fairs Association Convention	Salem Convention Center
19	Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday	Office Closed
<u>February</u>		
4	Board Meeting	Floral Building (4:30 PM)
4	Booster Meeting	Floral Building (4:30 PM)
16	Presidents Day Holiday	Office Closed

11.2

11.2

11.2

CORRESPONDENCE

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

OTHER MATTERS OF INFORMATION

Washington County Fair Complex Boosters Meeting Minutes May 7, 2008

President Lyle Spiesschaert called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm in the Floral Building of the Fair Grounds. There were 23 members and guests present. Lyle welcomed Matt Phil and Dan Logan, Fair Board Members and Leah Perkins, Fair Staff. Introductions were made.

Minutes of April 2, 2008. Motion was made by Inez Griffels and seconded to accept the minutes as presented. **Passed Unanimously.**

Treasurer's report was given. The Booster books are now on QuickBooks and will report expenses and income to our Budget. Jim Clute motioned to accept the treasurer's report. Sheila Day seconded. **Pass Unanimously.** There were four bills submitted totaling \$159. (OFA Spring Conference - \$30; Independence Day Parade Entry - \$45; Temporary Restaurant License - \$34 and bark dust - \$50)

Fair Board Report- Dan Logan summarized the Fair Board meeting. Don Hillman's last day as manager was April 22, 2008. Two staff positions were changed and salaries increased. Lisa Dupre' and Leah Perkins will be interim co executive directors. Leah Perkins reported on maintenance issues needed for the Cloverleaf and Main Exhibit Hall. She also indicated that trees around the Amphitheater are scheduled to be taken down. Lyle thanked the Fair Board Members and Leah for attending the Booster meeting and invited them back at any time.

Revitalization Task Force- The final meeting of the Task Force will be held May 21, 2008 in the north end of the Exhibit Building between 1-4 PM. The fairgrounds naming contest ends May 15th.

Water Feature- Proposed signage of the water feature was suggested. *"A place to reflect on volunteers that have made the fairgrounds possible - both past and present."* Fred Scheller motioned to move forward with the sign concept. Kathy Schmidlkofer seconded. **Passed Unanimously.**

Old Business - Boosters remain interested in having a meaningful presence at the 2008 Fair.

New Business-

Independence Day Parade - The Boosters entry will be Duane and Diane Vandyke's Six Horse Shire Hitch. Leah indicated the Fair Ambassadors might want to ride on the wagon. This will be a spectacular entry for the parade, the fair and the Boosters.

Farmer's Market participation was discussed. It was agreed to again participate in a portion of the Tuesday Markets plus other markets throughout the county. The purpose is to promote the new Master Plan for the fairgrounds. Kathy Schmidlkofer, Judy Marsh, Paul Goldmann, Bill Ganger, Sheila Day and Jim Clute will assist as their availability allows. Inez Griffels motioned that the Boosters again sponsor the Strawberry Shortcake at the Tuesday Market on June 24, 2008 with a theme of *Civic old time Picnic*. Kathy Schmidlkofer seconded. **Passed Unanimously.**

Friends of the Fair Complex Roundup – The event will be held at the Cloverleaf Building on May 10, 2008 between 2-5 PM. We will serve hotdogs, chips, beverages and ice cream by the Washington County Dairy Women. We will have old-fashioned games, maybe sack races; milk can toss, guessing games, etc. Tom Black will be in charge of the games. This will be a great opportunity for an outreach promotion for the public to review the Master Plan. The theme is western and the Boosters are encouraged to wear their shirts. An evening party for Boosters will follow.

Booster Food Booth- Leah indicated she would like the Boosters to consider moving their food booth in the arena to make room for more seating. She indicated the Boosters maybe could work out of a tent this year. Nothing is in stone. Discussion included a portable booth and to increase the number and type of food offerings. Lyle indicated this discussion should be continued by the Executive Committee.

Scout Projects – Tom Black reported that Matt Dahlquist is on schedule to complete the facelift on the Booster Food Booth. He passed around a choice of colors for the members to vote on. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Marsh Secretary

**Next meeting is June 4th, 2008
7:00 pm – Floral Building**

Washington County Fair Complex Boosters

Meeting Minutes

June 4th, 2008

President Lyle Spiesschaert called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the Floral Building of the Fair Complex. There were 18 members and guests present. Introductions were made.

Minutes of May 7th, 2008. Motion was made by Inez Griffels and seconded by Bill Ganger to accept the minutes as presented. **Passed Unanimously.**

Treasurer's report was given. Bill Ganger moved to accept the treasurer's report. Steve Griffels seconded. **Pass Unanimously.** There were four bills submitted (Shelia Day – Roundup expenses; Post Office Box rental; corporate annual fee; and Judy Marsh – Roundup & Secretarial expenses) Inez Griffels moved to pay the unpaid bills. Jim Darr seconded. **Pass Unanimously.**

Fair Board Report- The fair board accepted the Task Force's Master Plan without making any changes. The fair board did not consider adding the comments, more green space in the middle instead of on the outer edge, more RV sites, and a designated camping area for fair. There were also new classifications for the jobs of the two staff members. Swine Barn project has requested a permit from the City of Hillsboro, but the plan might be adjusted to seek a bigger barn and remove the existing barn. There will also be another maintenance person added to staff. Bill Ganger moved to have the Washington County Complex Fair Boosters accept the Task Force's Master Plan with the three exceptions- more green space in the interior instead of the outer edge, more RV sites, and a campsite location for fair. Kathy Schmidlkofer seconded. **Passed.** Two members abstained. Inez Griffels was still concerned about having enough space to house all the 4-H horses.

Old Business -

Independence Day Parade - entry will be Duane and Diane Vandyke's Six Horse Shire Hitch. The hitch will need horse handlers to walk with the horse down the parade route. Booster shirts and blue jeans will be the parade attire. Steve and Inez Griffels, Tom Black, Art Sorenson have volunteered to be handlers, but we need more.

Fair – An article about how fair's can be the social connection and conscience of a community was presented by Sheila Day. This led to discussion regarding adding some fun events to the fair. Pie eating contest before each arena event was brought up because of the great response we had at our Roundup. This idea was referred to the Food Booth Committee.

Booster Food Booth- The Executive Committee met with Leah Perkins and Don McCoun at the booster food booth. After much discussion, it was decided to leave the booth for this year until after fair and then look at our options for a different food booth. The fair staff will reinstall the counters and sinks and stoves that were removed earlier. Matt Dahlquist (Scout) has been given the go ahead to paint and roof the outside of the booth. Tom Black will make sure all appliances that go back into the food booth are operational. The stove doesn't work and will need to be replaced. Bill Ganger will talk to Hutchen's, Lyle Spiesschaert will talk to VanDyke Appliances, and Tom Black will talk to A-1 Appliances to see what prices they can give us on some new used equipment. New signs are needed

for the booth. These might include food cutouts. Customers while waiting in line could learn about the Boosters and the Fair. At the request of Leah the menu for the food booth will be expanded. Food committee will need to meet to decide on food, price and paper goods. We need a long-term agreement with the Fair Board regarding our food booth in the arena. Dan Logan will help us create it. There was some talk of going back to a 5 day fair. We still believe our proposal to unite the Fair Board, Fair Boosters and County Commission Task Force with the information booth sponsored by Community Newspapers makes great sense. Dan Logan and Matt Phil will work on this. Since all the appliances are out of the booth it would be a great time to have a paint day for the inside of the booth. Paint party will be Monday evening June 9th at 5:30pm. Bill Ganger, Al Goldmann, Steve & Inez Griffels, Paul Goldmann all agreed to show up for workday. Lyle Spiesschaert will bring floodlight. Brooms, brushes, paint pans and rolls are need. Pizza will be brought in for the workers.

Friends of the Fair Complex Roundup – Shelia Day highlighted some of the activities that took place that day. The pie-eating contest was the high light of the event. We also received 8 new members, 3 renewals and a donation of \$20.

New Business -

Farmers Market - Boosters will sponsor the Strawberry Shortcake at the Tuesday Market on June 24, 2008. The county dairywomen will buy the whip cream and the dairy princesses will be there to put the whip cream on the shortcakes. Kathy Schmidlkofer will order the short cake and strawberries. Sheila Day will be the chairperson of this event. We will invite the Fair Ambassadors to join this event. The event starts at 5:00pm.

Boosters are hoping to make one visit each to most of the Farmer's Market around Washington County. Their purpose is to encourage attendance and participation at this year's fair and to ask questions and learn about the new Master Plan for the Fair Complex. Bill Ganger will compile a list of Farmer's Markets and when they are. Jim Klute will coordinate scheduling to make sure we have a representation at each one to tell our story. Shelia Day volunteered to transport the items needed for the information booth at the markets.

Announcements - Dixie Mountain Grange is having their Annual Strawberry Short Cake event Saturday and Sunday June 7th and 8th from 12:00pm to 5:00pm. Quilt raffle, etc. Also Glencoe Livestock 4-H Club has two cords of firewood for sale.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Marsh Secretary

**Next meeting is July 2nd, 2008
7:00 pm – Floral Building**

Washington County Fair Complex Boosters Meeting Minutes July 2nd, 2008

President Lyle Spiesschaert called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm in the Clover Leaf Building of the Fair Complex. There were 23 members and guests present. Introductions were made.

Minutes of June 4th, 2008. Motion was made by Inez Griffels and seconded by Judy Goldmann to accept the minutes as presented. **Passed Unanimously.**

Treasurer's report was not available. Bills were presented for payment. Kathy Schmidlfoer - \$402.20 for strawberries and supplies for the Strawberry Shortcake at Tuesday Market. Sheila Day for temporary restaurant license, short cake, \$ 200 for flower from FFA for flower boxes, \$15 for Sherwood Market fee and \$100 to the Oregon Fair Organization. Paul Goldmann moved to pay all unpaid bills. Eileen Marier seconded. **Passed unanimously.**

Fair Board Report- No report was given, due to the cancelation of the July meeting.

Revitalization. There will be a meeting on July 9th with Paul Phillips from Pack West.

Booster Food Booth- Lyle Spiesschaert appointed Al Goldmann as chairman of the food booth. There was discussion of expanding the meal to include pizza and pie slices. Lyle Spiesschaert thanked all who came and helped paint the inside of the food booth. Matt Dahlquist has painted the outside of the booth. He will finish the trim, roll on temporary roofing and make some signs. Once again the Key Club will help us out, they usually go through the stands selling items for us. Food prices will stay the same. The pizza can be purchased at many places – Papa Alto's, Costco, Pizza Schmizza, Round Table, etc. Would sell it by the slice. Committee would consist of Al Goodman, Bill Ganger, Tom Black, Inez Griffels, and Eileen Marier. Roof signs are needed this year. Making 3-D signs that look like, pizza, soda, hot dogs, popcorn would make people notice the booth more.

Old Business:

Fair – Flower Boxes look great. Thank you to all who worked so hard on making them beautiful. The fair staff has denied Community Newspapers request to have the Boosters assist them with the fair information booth. It was decide that the booster would support the youth at this year's fair. Jim Clute moved to give up to \$200 to the 4-H & FFA Dance for refreshments. Bill Ganger second. **Pass unanimously.** Past, Present, and Future at this fair would have been a great shot in the arm towards getting the master plan in the public's eye. 4-H Horse fair will be July 8th through July 13th.

Sheila Day reported on the Strawberry Shortcake give away. We received \$387.65 in donations. Served over 1,050 people. Thank you was expressed to all the people that worked at the Tuesday Market.

4th of July Parade- There will not be a 6 horse hitch or the train for the booster. Tom Black suggested walking in the parade behind our banner. Those who would like to be in the parade, meet at Peter Boscov School around 9:00 am.

Jim Clute reported that he looked into all the Farmers Markets around Washington County. They all have a fee to have a booth there, each one varied in cost. The reason for going to the markets was to get the word out about the new master plan for the fair. A signup sheet is being passed around, need to have 2 or 3 people manning the booth per market. One time per market and the markets all have to be done before the fair. Items needed for the booth are Master Plan, Booster Banner, Come to the Fair sign, tables, chair, etc. Sheila Day volunteered to take the items to each market. The markets are Forest Grove, Hillsboro, Sherwood, Cedar Mills, Tigard, and Beaverton.

August meeting – Inez Griffels moved to dispense with the August meeting. Al Goodman seconded. Next meeting will be September 3rd. **Passed unanimously.**

Announcements –

September 1, 2008 there will be a Booster Barbeque at Lyle Spiesschaert Farm.

Paul Goldmann would like to have a cleanup day (before the Fair) for the fountain area. Please sign up to help. We need to improve the fence around the fountain, put out the silhouettes of the animals and place the flowerpots around the grounds.

Membership dues are due. Please contact Sheila Day with your dues payment.

Update on the new Swine Barn: as of now, the new cement slab to houses the new swine pens will be ready for fair. Also the original barn will be turned into the Swine Show Ring.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Marsh Secretary

**Next meeting is September 3rd, 2008
7:00 pm – Floral Building**



Extension Service
Washington County

**OSU EXTENSION FACULTY
SERVING WASHINGTON
COUNTY***

Staff Chair, Forestry and Christmas Trees
Chal Landgren 725-2102

4-H Youth Development
Terry Palmer 725-2111
Lisa Conroy 725-2113
Maribel Mendez 725-2110

Citizen Involvement (CPO)
Linda Gray 725-2116
Patt Opdyke 725-2117

Family and Community Development
Jeanne Brandt 725-2107

Nutrition Education Program
Janice Smiley 725-2049
Maureen Quinn 380-9456

Watershed Health
Samuel Chan 722-6718

Commercial Horticulture 678-1264

Agriculture
Grass & Legume Seeds, Grains & Forages
Susan Aldrich-Markham 434-8917
Small Farms
Nick Andrews 678-1264 x 149
Commercial Tree Fruits/Nuts
Jeff Olsen 434-7517
Dairy
Troy Downing 842-3433
Livestock, Forage crops
Gene Pirelli 623-8395

Master Gardener Hotline 725-2300

General Information 725-2300

*All 503 area code

Email format:

firstname.lastname@oregonstate.edu

<http://extension.oregonstate.edu/washington>

18640 NW Walker Road, Suite 1400,
Beaverton, OR 97006 (CAPITAL Center # D1).
Oregon State University Extension Service offers
educational programs, activities, and materials
without discrimination based on race, color,
religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin,
age, marital status, disability, or disabled
veteran or Vietnam-era veteran status. Oregon
State University Extension Service is an Equal
Opportunity Employer.

Agriculture, Forestry, Family and Community
Development, 4-H Youth, and Extension Sea
Grant programs, Oregon State University,
United States Department of Agriculture,
and Washington County cooperating.

OSU to You

June/July 2008

OSU Extension Service engages the people of Oregon with research-based knowledge and education that focus on strengthening communities and economies, sustaining natural resources, and promoting healthy families and individuals.



Healthy Mind/Healthy Body: Living fully at any age

Former Oregon Governor Barbara Roberts and Intel Digital Health Group Manager Eric Dishman were the featured speakers at the Fifth Annual Gerontology Conference, "Healthy Body/Healthy Mind: Living Fully at Any Age," in May. A joint effort of OSU Extension Service, Washington County Disability, Aging and Veterans Services, Intel, and AARP Oregon (a new partner this year) brings this free conference to the community each spring. Governor Roberts shared her thoughts on cherishing memories and living fully at any age. Dishman introduced emerging technologies that are improving lives today and gave a glimpse of what's on the near horizon. Break-out sessions focused on maintaining health and being a good health care consumer in later life. Close to 100 community members attended, volunteered or shared their expertise at the conference. Photo: Extension Faculty Jeanne Brandt, Governor Barbara Roberts, Intel Digital Health Group Manager Eric Dishman.

OSU Master Gardeners connecting with PSU

The Master Gardener program announces a new partnership with Portland State University. OSU and PSU are building a partnership to co-manage the Learning Gardens Laboratory (a 12.5-acre educational garden in South East Portland). This collaboration will provide many opportunities for co-programming including an "Organic Gardening Certificate Program," which is a garden education project similar in scale and scope to the Master Gardener program, but focused on all aspects of growing and caring for plants without synthesized chemical pesticides or fertilizers. This new program caters to the groundswell of interest in organic food and gardens. This program will be offered in the fall of 2008 as both an OSU Extension Service non-credit program and a PSU credit course through the Graduate School of Education. The Master Gardener program trained 190 new volunteers in the Metro area this spring (85+ at our Beaverton location). The new trainees have been turned loose into the Master Gardener volunteer program and are engaged in a variety of activities including: telephone help desk, plant clinics at farmers' markets and other venues, the Fairplex demonstration garden, school gardens, and other opportunities.

Judges say: *Ties to the Land* a Winner

Ties to the Land, forest and farm succession/communication book, DVD and web site received two national awards in June. It isn't American Idol, but judges from a national Extension professional organization recently recognized Oregon's program *Ties to the Land*. At their conference in Madison, WI last month, the Association of Natural Resource Extension Professionals (ANREP), presented the team with the *ANREP 2008 Outstanding Team Silver Award*, recognizing "the achievements of interdisciplinary teams that exhibit leadership and excellence in planning, designing, delivering, and evaluating an Extension natural resources program". They also presented the *ANREP 2008 Mixed Materials Gold Award*, in recognition "of outstanding educational and promotional materials focused on a single natural resource Extension issue or need." These are significant awards recognizing the work of the team, and the quality of the comprehensive educational package.

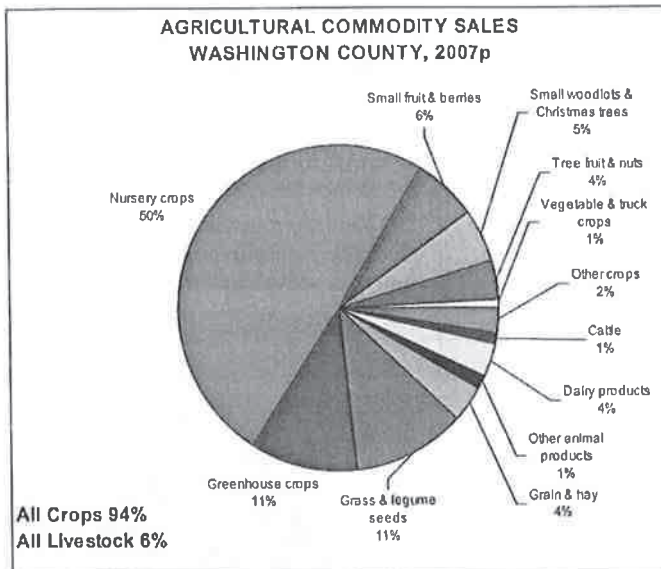
Award for Community Collaboration to 4-H

Intel 4-H Tech Wizards received a 2008 Washington County *Cameron Award for Outstanding Community Collaboration* presented by the Vision Action Network. The award was named after Charlie Cameron, Washington County Administrator from 1986-2005, and honors those working across multiple sectors of the community.

Lisa Conroy explained that the last ten years have been successful because of 30 partners, mentors, staff members and funders that were supporting the program along the way.

Washington County OSU TO YOU is a bi-monthly publication of the OSU Extension Service in Washington County highlighting the activities and accomplishments of local programs. More information on all program areas and events can be seen on our website at <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/washington> or our location at 18640 NW Walker Road, Suite 1400, Beaverton, OR 97006 (CAPITAL Center Entrance D1).

2007 Washington County Agricultural Production



Total farms sales in Washington County for 2007 were estimated at \$351,307,000 – up approx. 10.2% from 2006. This is money paid to producers for commodities sold directly from the farm. The figures in the summary represent gross sales, not net

income to farmers. Increased value is added through processing and handling, resulting in greater impact in the county.

Nursery and greenhouse crops accounted for 60% of farm sales, with gross sales at an estimated \$211,062,000. Other large categories were grass and legume seeds, with 11% of farm sales, and small woodlots and Christmas trees with 5%. Grass and legume seeds were the most important category in terms of acres. These crops were planted on 49% (39,305 acres) of the total estimated crop acres. Other important Washington County crops were grain (12,650 acres), hazelnuts (4,610 acres) and wine grapes (1,533 acres). Various kinds of berries, including strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, boysenberries and blueberries, were planted on a total of 3,310 acres.

Food safety and pesticide use are key issues in focus on integrated pest management



The North Willamette Research and Extension Center is paving the way for a new generation of insecticides and fungicides that will target common pests found on many of the vegetable and small fruit crops grown in Washington County. This work leads to safer food for consumers.

According to Joe DeFrancesco, Extension researcher at the Center, "Everyone wants to see integrated pest management become a standard for our growers, but it is more difficult to achieve with the older pesticides." Integrated pest management (IPM) is an approach to control disease and insect problems on crop land by looking more broadly at what's actually causing the problem and trying to find a control method that's pest specific and environmentally sensitive. "IPM doesn't mean *not* using pesticides at all, but it does mean that we are looking for new, more target-specific chemicals that kill only the pest we are after. Then we test and evaluate these materials and petition the federal Environmental Protection Agency for possible registration and use of the chemical by the growers."

DeFrancesco heads up the Center's Specialty Crop Registration program, one of only a handful of such testing locations in the U.S. Since 2001 the Center has done residue studies on more than 50 different pesticide products for crops from beets, chard and onions to blueberries, hops and grapes—just to name a few. These residue studies have led to dozens of new registrations for pesticides now available to local growers. "The key is that we are creating new ways for area farmers to successfully grow crops and make a living while ensuring consumers have food that is safe to eat," DeFrancesco adds.





Horse fair reigns this week at fairgrounds

Tuesday, July 08, 2008

By Kurt Eckert

The Hillsboro Argus

The Argus

The science of hippology and demonstration of equestrian skills reign Wednesday through Sunday at the Washington County Fair Complex.

The Washington County Horse 4-H Program invites the public to see the county's 27 horse clubs, with 125 horses, try to corral a berth in the State Fair in Salem.

The horse fair is a traditional part of the Washington County Fair, including dressage on Wednesday, showmanship on Thursday, Western riding and reining on Friday, English riding events on Saturday and gaming on Sunday. Interspersed throughout the week are green horse, yearlings, driving, wet mare, 2-year-olds and trail events.

The public is invited to a Thursday ice cream social with a silent auction to help fund educational efforts.

The Dairy Women of Washington County's ice cream booth will be open all during the horse fair.

Horses are a big part of 4-H, as well as a part of most Oregon High School Equestrian Teams, said 4-H horse leader Inez Griffels, of North Plains. She says she still hopes the fairgrounds task force plan can be tweaked to include more camping spots and a covered warm-up area for horse events, as well as the planned 90,000 square foot open arena.

Currently, many county horse events are held in Yamhill County where there is both a covered arena and warm-up area, she said.

"There are no facilities that can accommodate the Horse 4-H program or OHSET program in Washington County," Griffels said. "A county as large as Washington County should be able to support a facility that could be rented for these types of things."

©2008 Hillsboro Argus



Hillsboro Argus

Monster trucks roll in to replace rodeo

Friday, July 11, 2008

By Kurt Eckert

The Hillsboro Argus

The Argus

County fair arena hosts motor sports and bulls

With a full rodeo not in the offing this year, motorized events and a bunch of bulls are the featured events at the 2008 Washington County Fair's Sunbelt Rentals Arena.

The rodeo has been in decline for several years, because of a lack of participation.

The fair will still feature the popular bull riding event on Thursday night, but the rodeo was competing with too many other rodeos with bigger purses, said Fair Marketing and Events Manager, Lisa DuPre.

"You hear many people say their favorite part of a rodeo is the bull riders at the end, so we're going to give them one bull ride after another all evening," DuPre said.

The Bull Bash event starts at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 24 and admission is \$10 per person. Coupons for \$2 off are available at Wilco Farm Stores.

Along with the popular Friday truck pull and Sunday's demolition derbies, a new monster truck and mud event sloshes its way into the arena's Saturday night slot.

"When we went from two nights of rodeo to just a single-performance Bull Bash, we knew right away what we were going to do to fill that second night in the arena," DuPre said. "We've had so much success with our Demolition Derby and Truck Pull that it was clear motor sports was the way to go, and the Monster Trucks and Mud Bog events have done extremely well at other venues, so we're very excited to bring them in this year."

The Monster Truck and Mud Bogs Show, presented by Madden Industrial Craftsmen Inc., will feature renowned monster truck competitors "Rock Star" and "Deal Breaker" going head-to-head.

Mud Bogs essentially is side-by-side drag racing - in the mud. Winners of individual heats advance to race other winners throughout the evening. There will be classes for Street Stock, Super Stock, and Open Class - everything from daily drivers in regular vehicles up to full-fledged hot rods flinging mud. To participate, visit www.wgasmotorsports.com.

The Monster Truck and Mud Bogs Show presented by Madden Industrial Craftsmen starts at 7 PM on Saturday, July 26 in the Sunbelt Rentals Arena. Admission is \$10 per person.

Admission is free to the Spirit Mountain Casino Washington County Fair, open from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. July 24 through July 27. Parking is \$5 per vehicle. The Washington County Fair Complex is located at 873 N.E.

34th Ave., in Hillsboro, directly across from the Hillsboro Airport off of Cornell Road. For more, see www.faircomplex.com.

Joe Twigg, a 2004 Hilhi graduate, is one of the professional bullfighters who will work the Bull Bash July 24 at the Spirit Mountain Casino Washington County Fair.

He'll face nearly two tons of rampaging hamburger for more than three hours, risking life and limb to save cowboys from the heads, horns and hooves of their bovine adversaries.

Fashion plays no part in the uniform of the bullfighter. The oversized clothing that lent to the "rodeo clown" role has evolved into a loose fitting jersey and shorts to make the bullfighter a bigger target.

The bullfighter vest worn under the jersey features hard plastic outer shells with break-away construction in case of hooking. Pads are worn under the shorts both to keep the muscles warm and for protection.

©2008 Hillsboro Argus



Building Tomorrow's Community Today

Friday, July 11, 2008

By Don McCoun

The Hillsboro Argus

Special Opinion Column for The Argus

The Hillsboro City Council recently passed a resolution accepting the Washington County Revitalization Task Force Master Plan to redevelop the Fair Complex, and I commend the council for their action. I am confident that the plan builds upon the historical legacy of the fairgrounds while creating facilities for future generations.

For as long as I've been active in the Hillsboro community, the question of how best to use the county's 101-acre property across from the airport has been an issue. My wife and I came to Washington County 30 years ago and bought the 1,000-watt KUIK daytime station.

Since then, KUIK has become a 5,000-watt full-time station serving all of Washington County. I've worked with the fairgrounds management since day one and became a partner with Hillsboro's blue grass festivals and home shows. In 1979, KUIK started the first St. Patrick's Day Parade. These events have attracted more and more Hillsboro residents each year.

Thirty years later, the Fair Complex property still looks the same. In 2007, the 15-member task force held public meetings that resulted in the development of a stellar master plan. The process was transparent; the task force heard testimony from the public and incorporated suggestions in the master plan. They did a very thorough job, and I commend their efforts.

The proposed plan will continue to host and build on the historical legacy of the Washington County Fair and the county's agricultural roots. Among the features of the new fairgrounds are a new exhibit hall, a relocated National Guard armory and an open pavilion.

The new grounds will invite new events broadening the appeal of the space. Say goodbye to driving all the way to Portland to watch your children graduate from area high schools; the proposed exhibit hall would host spring commencements.

The new facilities would also attract activities such as garden shows, dog and horse shows, youth conferences, boat and car shows and conventions. NIKE and Intel could host events right in their backyard. Our very important National Guard Armory would gain five acres to better accommodate their training. A new sports field, a water feature and a beautiful park setting would also be added.

The fairgrounds is an essential part of Washington County's infrastructure, like roads and the airport, and offers a wide range of economic opportunities for us to tap into. With the property's convenient location on MAX and the addition of new events, this effort would greatly enhance Washington County's reputation as being a unique and vibrant destination independent of Multnomah County.

The City of Hillsboro and the Fair Complex Board have recommended the master plan to the Washington County Board of Commissioners, and I encourage the board to place the master plan on the ballot.

Also, I encourage you to learn more at www.FairgroundsRevitalization.com. And I would be happy to present the master plan and discuss it.

By selling KUIK Radio three years ago, we have seen good improvements, and the time has come to improve the grounds for us all as well.

Don McCoun, former owner of KUIK Radio, is a member of the Washington County Fair Board.

©2008 Hillsboro Argus



A Great Event

Friday, July 25, 2008

The Hillsboro Argus

After all the tons of newsprint and barrels of ink we've put into the Washington County Fair, it has finally arrived, again. Over the last year, we've seen the commissioners and fair boosters bury the hay hook - kind of.

And, not in each other. A working plan has been developed for the future, and dialogue is progressing.

This weekend should give you a reason why. Starting Thursday at 10 a.m. that magic consisting of homemades, midways, prize stock, raw talent, hot dogs, curly fries and beer opened in 70-degree weather with the promise of a great climate for a classic American experience. We're sure everyone will be on their best behavior.

Washington County has been celebrating its agricultural roots since 1855. The "Fair" has had multiple locations and financial follies. Through it all people have come. It's been held on the streets of Hillsboro and at the Pacific University campus. It enjoyed real growth (1925-52) when a freshly minted Fair Board invested in land at Shute Park.

It has ended up where all things seem to end up these days: at Hillsboro Airport. Well, just south of it. The land, around 80 acres, is worth a bunch. And if you're a taxpayer in Washington County, you own it.

While you're there, enjoy the sights, sounds, smells and synergy of when old meets new. At some point in the future, you'll probably be asked to vote for a bond or shell out some money to save the Fair.

At least, have an opinion. You won't be alone. Last year was an all-time record for attendance. Close to 90,000 of your closest friends were there. There's a reason. It's a great event - something worth fighting for in this age of indifference.

W. Clark Gallagher

Hillsboro Argus Editorial

©2008 Hillsboro Argus



Hillsboro Argus

Sun and sales shine at 2008 county fair

Tuesday, July 29, 2008

By Kurt Eckert

The Hillsboro Argus

The Argus

The shadow of a looming November revitalization bond for the Washington County Fair Complex lifted for four days ending Sunday, with the annual county fair coming just short of record total attendance achieved in 2007.

About 85,000 people went through the turnstiles at the free admission four-day event, said Lisa Dupre', marketing coordinator for the fair and co-executive director for the complex. Nearly 90,000 came in 2007.

The difference isn't significant considering gas prices and the economy in general, and the numbers don't reflect hundreds of people who come into the fair for early-morning animal judging before the turnstiles are set up, Dupre' said.

In the show barns, behemoth draft horses beguiled and impressed, and swine showed off in new digs presented by the friends of the late Brian Herinckx. Goats, sheep, cattle and poultry also had fine showings.

The Monster Truck show Saturday and the demolition derbies Sunday were roaring good times, producing standing-room-only sell-outs. The Thursday and Friday events in the Sunbelt Rentals Arena also had strong crowds.

"That's where we make the money, not at the gate," Dupre' said.

Food vendor totals were not in, but preliminary numbers showed very strong sales, perhaps the highest ever, she said. The carnival rides and midway games were down about 1 percent.

The fair was a great place for young children in 2008 with the new free 9-hole "Cluck, cluck" miniature golf course at Friendship Plaza proving popular, along with Humphrey's Barnyard Fun providing "Life-On-The-Farm" hands-on experience in farming plus entertainment.

The Family Fun Stage and the Pirate's Parrot show maintained family followings.

Family Carousel, presented by the Hillsboro Argus, was a bargain, with a chance for the whole family to ride a traditional carousel for only \$1 per person.

The Main Exhibition Hall put prize-winning baked goods and art on display, as well as providing housing for household goods, a podium for signature seekers and a stage for headphoned hucksters demonstrating the latest gadgets.

Rock, Latino and country acts at several stages made sure the crowds had plenty of alternate acoustical amusement.

Master hypnotist Terry Stokes left crowds wondering with three daily shows featuring his powers of suggestion.

The fairgrounds may see a lot of changes in the near future, but it looks like the attendees at the county fair like things the way they are.

©2008 Hillsboro Argus



Commissioners OK fairgrounds bond vote

Friday, August 08, 2008

By Kurt Eckert

The Hillsboro Argus

The Argus

On ballot Nov. 4, with language changes

After what they called a 20 year "food fight" over the future of the Washington County Fair Complex, county commissioners voted unanimously Tuesday to put a fairgrounds revitalization bond to a public vote in November pending minor legal changes to the ballot's wording.

The official ballot title, for a general obligation bond of \$39.6 million to build a 120,000 square foot exhibition center on the 101-acre fairgrounds' property and make other improvements, will be approved at the Aug. 19 meeting.

Hillsboro Mayor Tom Hughes, the co-chair of a revitalization committee, lauded the decision and said the city stood ready to accommodate the financial obligations that were part of the agreement.

"There was almost nowhere in the city you could stand without getting food slopped on you from the fight going on," Hughes said.

But after years of bitter arguing, it appeared everyone basically wanted the same thing. They just needed to sit down and talk about the right way to get it, he said.

Fair Board President Herb Hirst called the fairgrounds "a gem in the middle of the county." He said it deserved an upgrade so the county could promote itself as a major provider of meeting space and entertainment facilities.

East county representative Jack Franklin said it was imperative to ramp up public outreach to communities along Interstate 5. The majority of Beaverton, Tigard and Tualatin residents haven't visited the fairgrounds, and have to realize it will provide a convenient alternative to facilities in Portland.

"A diamond is just a rock until someone does something with it," said longtime fairgrounds vendor Ed Kristovich. "That fairgrounds is a diamond in this community, and could be in the state."

©2008 Hillsboro Argus

ADVERTISEMENT

LOCALLY OWNED BY PAMPLIN MEDIA GROUP

News-Times


[News](#) / [Opinion](#) / [Features](#) / [Sports](#) / [Sustainable Life](#) / [US & World News](#) / [Classifieds](#) / [Contact Us](#)

Find a story

[Printer-friendly version](#) [Email story link](#)

Find a business

Keywords

Any

Writer

Any

Month

Any

Year

Search

Browse archive

[Browse news archive](#)
News-Times

Find a paper

Enter a street name or a 5 digit zip code

Search

Subscribe today!
Breaking News Email Alerts

The Forest Grove News-Times News feed



Swine barn honors longtime 4-H leader

Friends, family of Cornelius farmer see new facility at fairgrounds as a fitting tribute

BY ALANA KANSAKU-SARMIENTO

The Forest Grove News-Times, Jul 9, 2008

An exceptional man can only be remembered in an exceptional way, and no plaque or monument would do for the memory of Brian Herinckx, as plans swing into action for the erection of a new, memorial swine barn at the Washington County Fairgrounds in Hillsboro.

Herinckx was killed in an auto collision on Jan. 9 while he was on his way to work along Northwest Cornelius-Schefflin Road. His sudden and untimely death that morning, at age 50, left behind four children, seven siblings, a mother, a girlfriend and scores of other family members and close friends.

A child of the countryside, Herinckx was especially renowned for his passion for farming – particularly raising hogs.

"There were a number of kids who couldn't wait to get off the farm," said



ALISON GENE SMITH / NEWS-TIMES
Washington County Fair ambassador Kelly Irish, 17 (foreground), paints posts near the new swine barn along with Morgan Heller, 15.

I graduated in:



Wilson High



Bryant High



Lincoln High



Hewtown High



Commerce High

 1997
1987
1977

FIND

i.e. dentist, salon

Search

AccuWeather.com

64°F

Forest Grove

Weather Forecasts

Weather Maps

Weather Radar



Video forecast

ADVERTISEMENTS

Hertchins
TV & RENTALS

Where you always get...

 "BIG CITY
VALUES AND
HOMETOWN
SERVICE"

 503-648-2813
512 SF BASELINE
IN HILLSBORO




PortlandTribune

VALLEYTIMES

Boom!
Boomers & Beyond

ClackamasReview

EstacadaNews

OUTLOOK

Like Oswego
Review

OregonCityNews

REGALCOURIER

SANDYPOST

THE BEE

Shannon
Gazette

Spotlight

THE UNDISCOVERED COLUMBIA-PT
CONNECTION

TheTimes

WestLinn & Tidings

Brian's sister, Gwen Neale, referring to the multitude of siblings who grew up together on the family's dairy farm in Cornelius.

Brian, however, was different.

"I think we were born with dirt under our fingernails. We used to laugh about that," said Neale. "You just go out and take the soil in your hand and squeeze it and know what's where you came from."

The family's dairy cows were sold while Herinckx was still in high school, but soon the farm was filled with swine. So began a life-long love.

"Brian always scheduled his work vacations so he could be at the fair," said Carla Stables, Brian's cousin. "Brian was personally involved with the pigs for 30-plus years, even when his kids were not in the barn showing."

The fairs, most of which were held at the Hillsboro Fair Complex, were the stage on which Brian played out his passion, making a lasting impression on friends, acquaintances and strangers alike. Yet his interest extended beyond merely farming – what Brian wanted more than anything was to see the children around him succeed.

"He was a great person," said Stables. "He would do anything for kids, like the 4-H thing. He's always wanted something better for them, and he was always there for his children. He was so involved."

Herinckx was a Verboort Livestock 4-H leader for 18 years, Washington County Fair swine superintendent for 13 years, Future Farmers of America chairman for seven years and the local livestock association president. Herinckx was also a constant presence at his children's schools and in county farming groups, even serving as a cook and co-chair for the annual Verboort Sausage Dinner.

Yes, Brian Herinckx was highly involved.

When he passed away, the community was at a loss. Soon after, Carla's husband, John Stables, shared an idea for what he thought would be a fitting memorial – an idea which had actually been a plan and hope of Brian's for quite some time before his passing.

"(The barn) was something Brian had always talked about, so it's probably the most fitting memorial that could've been done," said Carla. "When Brian passed away, he had over 700 people at the funeral, and John thought, 'what a better way to honor him for his community involvement.'"

Since the idea's inception, there have been ups and downs in the proposal and design, but to the joy of those who loved Brian – as well as those who simply love what he loved – the swine barn has been officially approved by the Washington County Fairgrounds Revitalization Task Force (a committee whose duty is to oversee plans for improvements on the fairgrounds) and the county Fair Board.

"The first time I heard him say he had talked to some prominent people in the community (about the barn) was 1999," said Neale. "It was so important to him that they have something. It just kept getting put off, because other things took precedence.

"What a wonderful way to show tribute. There has not been a new building on the grounds for 30 years."

Neale couldn't hide her delight over knowing that the project is expected to be completed without any financial assistance from the county.

"I'm hoping more people step up and donate based on what Brian did



SPECIAL SECTIONS



and who he was. We're hoping to keep as much of it privately funded as we can," said Stables. "It honors Brian, and it helps both the 4-H and FFA youth."

Even though the barn will not be completed by the time the Washington County Fair gets under way later this month, the concrete slab will be laid and covered with a tent for use at the annual event.

The swine barn will be officially dedicated to Brian's memory at the fairgrounds on Thursday, July 24 at 7 p.m. Special buttons with a photo of Brian will be sold July 23 and 24 at the fairgrounds. They're also available by calling Carla at 503-662-3951.

Working on the memorial swine barn has brought together lots of community members who have only fond memories of the bright, caring, selfless man they knew.

"I think everybody has what we call 'Brian moments,' where you want to turn around or pick up the phone and say, 'hey guess what happened?'" said Neale, who considered her brother one of her best friends.

"About 780 people signed his funeral book. Two hundred fifty just stood and waited outside the church," Neale noted.

"He had touched that many people, either through the church, or the school, or the fair – and I think that the barn tribute is so appropriate."

Every chance he had, Herinckx saw to it that the students in the 4-H club did their best during each livestock competition, despite the dismal conditions of the swine structure.

"He fought so hard for those kids to have a good place to show their swine. All the years the show ring was ... just jerry-rigged together," said Neale. "He used to tell the kids, 'you have to show (your pig) like you're in a million-dollar facility.' The kids should be given (this barn) – it's what he would've wanted."

After decades of severe swine overcrowding and impractical barn design, the fair complex will finally get a state-of-the-art swine facility.

"There's no doubt that the sense of who Brian was and what he wanted for the kids is in this whole thing," Neale said.

 Digg  Del.icio.us  Newsvine  Stumbleupon  Reddit

Copyright 2008 Pamplin Media Group, 6605 S.E. Lake Road, Portland, OR 97222 • 503-226-6397
Pamplin Media Group Privacy Policy

TheTimes

GUEST OPINION

Washington County Fairgrounds: A worthy cause to support

BY RUTHIE REINERT

, Jul 31, 2008

Washington County is a great place to live and work, for many diverse reasons: Locally grown fresh produce, which is showcased at various local farmers' markets; exceptional wines; well-known golf courses and pristine parks and nature preserves. These attributes, combined with the presence of the "silicon forest" in our own backyards, Washington County continues to be one of the most livable areas in the Pacific Northwest.

With so many desirable attributes, there is one amenity Washington County lacks – a sizable and suitable venue for major events, trade shows and meetings. The Washington County Fair Complex has the potential to be such a venue.

In order to effectively attract residents and visitors alike to stay and play in Washington County, the current fairgrounds needs to be updated, renovated and enlarged in order to attract a diverse range of events, business functions and other community affairs.

As president and CEO for the Washington County Visitors Association (WCVA), the organization charged with the mission to increase tourism to the county, I fully support the revitalization of the Washington County Fair Complex and encourage all residents of the county to support this important initiative.

Revitalization of the fairgrounds would be a windfall for Washington County and its residents, as our local economy depends on attracting as much business as possible from both inside and outside our county's borders. Furthermore, a restoration will encourage residents to attend local events, rather than travel outside of the county to experience similar events. Equally so, visitors will be more inclined to make Washington County their destination of choice.

The fairgrounds is a critical infrastructure for Washington County, which offers economic opportunities – including the potential to attract new business and events that previously have favored venues in neighboring counties – while enhancing the county's livability and allure.

More than a year ago, the Washington County Commission appointed a Fairgrounds Revitalization Task Force to develop a master plan for the 101-acre property. Plans include a 120,000-square-foot exhibit hall; access to the MAX rail, which would connect the fairgrounds to the heart of Portland; a 100,000-square-foot pavilion; addition of an athletic field; rehabilitation of existing buildings and a site for future development.

The new-and-improved fairgrounds will continue to serve its traditional role in our community as the venue for the annual county fair, 4-H events, bazaars and more. With the proposed size increase and more modern amenities, the WCVA and its partners will be able to attract new and diverse events that will benefit Washington County residents, as well as visitors from throughout the region.

Support of this revitalization plan is imperative. I urge you to learn more about the proposed plan at www.FairgroundsRevitalization.com and to support the revitalization of the Washington County Fair Complex.

An attractive and useful venue should not be absent from a county as beautiful and industrious as ours.

(Soapboxes are guest opinions from our readers, and anyone is welcome to write one. Ruthie Reinert is president and CEO of the Washington County Visitors Association.)



The Oregonian

Do-it-yourself fun

A truck pull, a camera phone contest, bull rides and more -- pick what you want to do at the Washington County Fair

Thursday, July 24, 2008

COREY PAUL

The Oregonian Staff

HILLSBORO Rising gas prices will be felt at an unexpected place when the Washington County Fair opens today: the Tilt-a-Whirl.

Prices will be slightly higher than last year on carnival rides, which all run on diesel fuel.

The cost of gas, however, has not curtailed the fair's entertainment line-up. Fair studies have shown motor vehicle events to be the biggest crowd-pleasers, so nightly arena entertainment will include a truck pull, a demolition derby, monster trucks and "mud bogs" drag-racing. Oh, and bull riding.

Portland-based Funtastic Rides Inc., which operates the carnival, has seen its fuel costs go up by about 78 percent from last year, said Leah Perkins-Hagele, fair coordinator.

The price of opening-day bracelets, which are good for unlimited rides, will increase to offset some of that cost, Perkins-Hagele said. Each bracelet will cost \$25, \$4 more than last year. Individual rides also will cost more than last year, although the kiddie rides remain at 2007 prices.

Food vendors also have been hurt by gas prices, Perkins-Hagele said, and might raise costs slightly.

Admission, however, remains free, and free shuttles will offer rides from the Fair Complex MAX station.

"The whole philosophy behind the free admission is you can go in and create your own fair experience," said Lisa DuPre, marketing and events manager for the fair.

Free stages, including the new Wild West Stage, offer educational programs, theater and concerts. Parents can take kids putting at cluck-cluck golf, filled with obstacles and animal facts.

Last year's attendance was more than 98,000, the highest since admission fees were eliminated four years ago. Paid attendance in 2003 was 43,508.

Officials have credited the fair's increasing attendance to the free admission. Nevertheless, this year's arena events, which carry a ticket price of \$10 per person, are expected to draw large crowds.

Car-crunching monster trucks and mud-flinging drag races were added to meet community interest in motor sports. Last year, the truck pull and demolition derby drew sellout crowds. "Every year we turn more and more of them away," DuPre said.

The fair is eliminating a longstanding staple -- the rodeo -- after years of decreasing attendance. Last year, the rodeo failed to fill the arena on two days. A Bull Bash tonight will strip the rodeo down to one of its most

popular events: bull riding.

The fair, which began in 1855, will hold onto many traditional events even as it faces the challenges an urban environment presents, DuPre said.

Livestock competitions, baking and sewing will all return this year. So will some of the more popular events introduced in recent years, such as the cell phone photo contest, which drew more than 500 people last year.

"This is an opportunity for families to enjoy a lot and not have to spend a whole bunch of money doing it," DuPre said.

Corey Paul: 503-294-5980; coreypaul@news.oregonian.com

©2008 Oregonian



The Oregonian

Washington County Fair learning experience for kids

The free fair offers food, carnival rides and up close contact with animals of all shapes and sizes

Friday, July 25, 2008

MICHELLE TRAPPEN

The Oregonian Staff

FACTBOX

• Washington County Fair

HILLSBORO -- Mary Condon knows pigs, not goats.

But Thursday morning, 30 minutes before showing her cross-bred hog, Junior, at the Washington County Fair, the 11-year-old wandered into the goat barn and befriended a Vancouver woman named Ardis Lyons, who was milking her goat named Fish.

Soon Mary straddled the stool and grabbed the goat's teats.

"This is the first time I've ever milked a goat," said a grinning Mary, who belongs to the Buxton Hoggers 4-H Club. "I managed maybe 20 to 30 squirts, but I got some milk on my hand. And some of it missed the bucket."

Such scenes launched this year's free admission fair, which runs through Sunday. Think farm, amusement park and craft show, laced with calorie-evil -- but scrumptious -- food, and that more or less sums up the experience.

Animals, though, consistent at this fair since its bucolic start in 1854, teach the most.

Take guinea pigs, for instance. Lots of youngsters raise them, but few know as much as a 4-H member headed into competition.

"You have to cut their toenails and clean their ears with a Q-tip," said 12-year-old Becky Kennedy of North Plains, seated at a table in the barn reserved for poultry, rabbits and guinea pigs -- technically known as cavyes.

Hunched in front of Becky, on a rectangular carpet pad, was Smiley, a brick-shaped mass of multicolored brown fur who occasionally twitched her nose but rarely moved otherwise.

Becky trained Smiley to stay.

"Every time she tried to get off the carpet, I put her back on," is how Becky, a member of Scuttlebuns Rabbit and Cavy 4-H Club in North Plains, explained her training technique.

In preparation for judges' questions, Becky said she studied for about an hour, learning to explain such things as angel wings -- the ridges of hair that stick out sideways on the back and sides of guinea pigs.

"It's always a tough competition," said Becky, who keeps her grooming supplies in an MJB coffee can.

Then Becky spilled, admitting she's the only competitor with a Teddy Satin guinea pig. Meaning, in that

breed category, she competes only against herself.

"They don't automatically give blue ribbons," said Becky, defending her singular entry. "You have to earn them."

Animals always entertain, but the fair's multiple shows provide a respite from bawling sheep and possible encounters with cow pies. At the "Let's Pretend Wild West Show," a dozen or so young audience members who were selected to participate, dressed up as cowboys, saloon girls and various critters.

Aaron Meeuwsen, in his straw cowboy hat, dazzled at a preshow rehearsal.

But during the real show, when asked to pull out his "six shooter" -- which was his hand -- and blast a few cans, the 5-year-old Hillsboro boy mostly just stood there, his finger in his mouth, tears puddling in his eyes.

Ah, but the audience clapped, and the show went on, Aaron's stage fright just another sight at this year's fair.

Michelle Trappen: 503-221-4388; michelletrappen@news.oregonian.com

©2008 Oregonian

Fairgrounds plan gets early nod

Posted by [tmaurer](#) August 05, 2008 16:31PM

HILLSBORO -- Washington County commissioners today support the idea of placing a bond measure on the November ballot to pay for a new county fairgrounds facility.

A county Fairgrounds Revitalization Task Force has proposed building a new 120,000-square foot center at the fairground site in Hillsboro. Though commissioners supported the task force's recommendations at their meeting today, their endorsement won't be official until Aug. 19 when they review a ballot statement."

The first phase of the fairgrounds plan would focus on the center and a new "front door" to the property: a large plaza and parking area radiating from the MAX light-rail line that runs along the south edge of the 101-acre fair complex.

The first phase would cost an estimated \$55 million. In the first year, taxpayers will pay an estimated 6 cents per \$1,000 of assessed property value.

The center would be used for the county fair but also has the potential to attract larger events, members of the task force said at today's hearing.

-- *Melissa Navas*; melissanavas@news.oregonian.com

Categories: Hillsboro News

Comments

Footer



The Oregonian

Amphitheater struggles with money and perceptions

The venue's managers ask Clark County for a rent reduction

Page 2 of 1

RIDGEFIELD, Wash. -- Dan Braun can't shake the bad vibes from the Sept. 18, 2003, Jimmy Buffett concert.

Related Documents (PDF):

1

That concert, the best attended of any at the Amphitheater at Clark County, lingers in infamy for the traffic snarls that prevented many people from getting to their seats on time -- then for the interminable wait to get out of the fledgling venue north of Vancouver after the music ended.

The amphitheater, Braun believes, has lived with the fallout ever since.

Despite improvements to parking and traffic, Braun, chief executive officer of the company that runs the amphitheater, thinks the greater Portland area clings to the notion that the parking lot is a time-gobbling labyrinth.

That perplexes the Midwest transplant, who also thinks the 18,000-seat venue has been wrongly plagued since its opening in 2003 by Oregonians' reluctance to come to Clark County at all -- by the barrier of Interstate Bridge bottlenecks and by an overall underappreciation.

The venue has lost at least \$1 million annually since its opening. It's also grappling with the same attendance declines facing other operators of outdoor music venues. Today, the Board of Clark County Commissioners could ease the pain a bit if, as expected, they slash the operator's lease payments.

Commissioners will consider cutting the annual \$700,000 rent that Quincunx pays to the county to \$300,000.

The amphitheater has lost at least \$1 million every year since opening, said Mark McCauley, county general services director. The venue, which can seat 8,000 people in permanent seats and 10,000 on a grass area, has not drawn as many concertgoers as expected.

The revised agreement calls for a \$300,000 payment for this year, 2009 and 2010. For 2011 and 2012, the rent would be \$350,000; from 2013-17, it would be \$400,000; from 2018-22, \$450,000; and \$500,000 for 2023-27, the year the agreement is set to expire. The current agreement calls for escalating payments from \$700,000.

Commissioners also will consider allowing the amphitheater operator, Quincunx of Washington, to build a removable wall at the back side of the 8,000 permanent seats, allowing year-round events. A consultant said the change would allow the operator to expand the number of events and, with the rent cut, come close to breaking even.

The agreement has been negotiated during the past six months. One of the options was that Quincunx could have walked away from the deal entirely.

The company didn't choose that path, "because we're competitive," Braun said. And it didn't want to walk away from a facility and surrounding improvements for which it paid \$40 million.

Quincunx earned the right to build the amphitheater at a time it was competing with Paul Allen to locate an outdoor venue in the Portland area. After building the amphitheater, the company deeded the property to the county and has made annual lease payments.

In retrospect, Braun said Monday, the company perhaps did not completely understand the geography it was entering.

"I think the (Interstate) bridge is a huge issue," Braun said. "I think the guys I work for, I don't think they had as clear of an understanding of how big of an impact that is."

He said he is a strong supporter of extending light rail from Portland and up to the amphitheater and the next-door Clark County Fairgrounds.

In the meantime, he praised C-Tran's shuttle bus service to the amphitheater introduced last year. It has helped ease traffic congestion, carrying about 10 percent of the audience.

Also, there is the matter of getting people from Portland to enter Clark County.

"It's something I can't explain," Braun said.

Nevertheless, the venue's data show that about 60 percent of its concertgoers are from Oregon.

Generally, he said, he feels the venue is underappreciated locally.

The Police, Kenny Chesney, Coldplay and, yes, Jimmy Buffett have played the amphitheater. But he said the entertainment offered at a motocross track in Washougal seems to be more highly valued.

Nearby neighbors fiercely opposed the amphitheater from the time the proposal was announced.

Its lead critic, Bridget Schwarz, said she would attend today's commissioners' meeting, questioning whether some of the changes can be enacted without further public involvement.

"They're turning their back on the deal they made with the community," said Schwartz, who is running for county commissioner as an Independent candidate.

But Commissioner Steve Stuart said the county needs Quincunx to stay in place because of the revenue it brings to the county and the likely difficulty of attracting a successor.

Neither the county nor Quincunx should be counting on a reversal of fortune with the added sound walls, said Gary Bongiovanni, editor of Pollstar, a concert industry magazine.

It's possible the bands that want to play before 8,000 people will choose a venue built with the purpose in mind, not to one that has been converted, Bongiovanni said.

Allan Brettman: 360-896-5746 or 503-294-5900; allanbrettman@news.oregonian.com

©2008 Oregonian



Scobel Wiggins | Gazette-Times
Jordan McCaskill and Dakota Gassner, both 14, make the most of their unlimited ride tickets to go on the Orbiter again and again during the Benton County Fair & Rodeo. "We don't scream," said McCaskill.

Fair manager to recommend dropping Sunday

By Theresa Novak
Gazette-Times City Editor

Despite high gasoline prices and a slumping economy, more people went to the 2008 Benton County Fair & Rodeo than did last year. But because Sunday proved the skimpiest day for attendance, fairgrounds manager Scott Stoller said Monday that he'll recommend taking Sunday out of the fair's run. That would returning the fair to a more traditional schedule popular with vendors, who use Sunday to travel between fairs during the summer.

This year, 35,444 people attended the fair, compared with 35,103 last year. Sunday's attendance, however, was the slowest of the fair's five-day run, with 4,213 people showing up compared with 5,174 last year. Revenue for Sunday was up substantially — to \$11,156 compared to \$6,600 in 2007.

How can you have fewer people and more money? The price of tickets went from \$1.50 for adults last year to \$8 at the gate for adults, and \$3 children ages 6-12 and \$5 for seniors. Children younger than 6 were admitted free.

"I told myself I'd advocate for Sunday if attendance was up and against it if it was down, but I hadn't planned on it being flat ... It wasn't bad, but it was our slowest day," Stoller said.

What's more, overall carnival revenue was the same as last year, despite the fact that the fair expanded the area for the carnival and added several new rides. Sunday was the slowest day for carnival rides as well, with the sale of only 283 of the \$20 unlimited ride wrist bands. By comparison, Thursday was second-slowest but still saw sales of 528 wrist bands.

Stoller said a look at the numbers prompts his decision to recommend to the fair board that Sunday be dropped, but the final decision rests with the seven-member board. Its members meet later this month, but Stoller said a decision might not be made until September. That doesn't necessarily mean that the fair will shrink to four days instead of five, he said. The fair could remain at five days, but start its run Tuesday.

Overall, however, Stoller said he was pleased.

"I'm very excited. We had a great fair. With the economy the way it is, I think we did quite well."

Copyright © 2008 Corvallis Gazette Times. A Lee Enterprises subsidiary

bendbulletin.com

The Bulletin

A fair for all

Festivities in Crook County are plentiful — and free

By David Jasper / *The Bulletin*

Published: August 08, 2008 4:00AM PST

Aside from lunch, the best things in life are free, and so is the Crook County Fair.

For the second year running, the county's fair board has decided to eschew an entrance fee, said fair manager Patrick Wood.

"We did it last year in an effort ... to make it affordable to as many people as we could," he said. "We doubled our attendance; we were up to about 25,000."

This year, he said, "our hope is to hit somewhere in the neighborhood of 30,000," which is a very respectable neighborhood.

The number of fairs and other events in the tri-county area makes it tough for people "to make decisions about which event you want to attend and which you don't because every time you do you're reaching into your pocketbook," Wood said.

Therefore, the fair board decided to eliminate the carnival rides. "In its place, we've added about two dozen kids' games," he boasted.

And almost all the games are free, he added.

For those worried that fun might be in short supply absent spinning rides, not to worry.

"We're going to have wagon rides; we're going to have train rides. We've got a kids' zone that's built up (and) has games. We've got a Fair Safari that's catered to children and families. There's plenty to do."

What's more, given the many free aspects of the fair — of which parking is one — "at the end of the day, you should go home with a little more money in your pocket," he said.



Rob Kerr / Bulletin file photo

Standing in the indoor arena, roper Morgan Dean, right, prepares to rope Chris Oswalt at the 2007 Crook County Fair in Prineville. This year's fair continues through Saturday.



Greg Cross / The Bulletin

If you go

What: Crook County Fair

When: 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. today and Saturday

Where: Crook County Fairgrounds, 1280 S. Main St., Prineville

Also for the second year, the fair has brought back its rodeo event, starting at 6 p.m. tonight and Saturday (no relation to the Crooked River Roundup held earlier in the summer).

"Our rodeo is a non-sanctioned event," said Wood, who likened the fair's rodeo to a family rodeo. "It's very community-based."

Most importantly, fair food — such as the deep-fried delight known as the elephant ear — is mercifully intact, and even seeing the kind of growth any gourmet de grease would appreciate: "As far as food booked into the fair, our vendor base is up considerably," Wood said.

Crook County Fair is open from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. today and Saturday, and features live music nightly. Tonight, Nashville West performs on the main stage. Saturday, County Line.

The fair wraps up on Saturday, a day earlier than last year.

"We had a great Saturday" last year, explained Wood. "Sunday, for whatever reason, has not been a good day for events in Crook County in particular."

"We just want to have a good, solid, compacted event, and put together a strong, traditional, county/country-type fair. Everybody walked away from here last year feeling really good," Wood said. "We achieved our goal, and that's what we'd like to do this year."

"I'll tell you what I tell everyone else," he added. "There's no reason not to come."

David Jasper can be reached at 541-383-0349 or djasper@bendbulletin.com.

Cost: Free admission and parking
Contact: 541-447-6575

Crook County Fair schedule

Today

10 a.m. — Painted Hills Natural Beef Backyard Barbecue Contest

4-9 p.m. — Crook County Fair "Cruise In"

6 p.m. — Rodeo, outdoor arena

7:30 p.m. — Nashville West performs

Saturday

10 a.m. — Big Cluck Grill-off

3:30 p.m. — Livestock auction

6 p.m. — Rodeo, outdoor arena

7:30 p.m. — County Line performs

Published Daily in Bend Oregon by Western Communications, Inc. © 2008

www.bendbulletin.com



Wednesday, August 06, 2008

State boosts Tillamook Fair

Wednesday, August 06, 2008

TILLAMOOK - When the 2007 Tillamook County Fair closed last August, organizers celebrated the most successful fair in recent history, one that set daily attendance records and continued a 17-year pattern of growth.

Future successes, though, were shrouded in doubt when subsequently the fair's 80-year-old grandstands were virtually condemned.

This week the fair opens again with new, safe grandstands ready to be dedicated Saturday.

Governor Ted Kulongoski and the Oregon Economic and Community Development Department helped to seed the community's grass-roots campaign to replace the grandstands. The Governor directed the agency to provide a \$100,000 grant from the Special Public Works fund to help the \$2.3 million project get underway.

Fair management was also able to put together an interest-free financing package with the help of TLC Federal Credit Union.

They also solicited many in-kind donations from local suppliers. Fair Manager Jerry Underwood cited examples ranging from donations of all electrical labor and services, valued at \$90,000, to free installation of the grandstands' landscaping.

"We really appreciate what the Oregon Economic and Community Development Department did for us," he said. "And we are very fortunate to have all of the support from the community - as they always do."

The grandstands not only are a venue for many popular fair activities, but also host the Tillamook County Rodeo, horse racing and other events year-round that have a significant economic impact on the community.

"Because of the new grandstand, the Fair Board has the Royal Lipizzaner Stallions coming to Tillamook the week after the fair and a circus is coming in September," Underwood said. "The new grandstand will definitely get used."

Related Links

Content © 2008 The Daily Astorian
Software © 1998-2008 1up! Software, All Rights Reserved



Yamhill County, Ore., Democrats call fair unfair

8/13/2008, 1:11 a.m. PT

The Associated Press

MCMINNVILLE, Ore. (AP) — In Yamhill County, politicians roaming the fairgrounds can offer a hearty handshake to voters, but no brochures or buttons, please.

Local Democrats say it's unfair that such items can be handed out only from booths, but fair officials say the rule applies to commerce as well as politics to keep roaming solicitors from bothering fairgoers.

Now a lawyer for Democrat Jeff Merkley's U.S. Senate race says there may be constitutional violations and that a lawsuit could be filed.

County Commissioner Leslie Lewis, who is a liaison to the independent fair board, said the Democrats flagrantly violated the rule during the fair's three-day run last weekend. "They weren't staying in the booth," she said. "They were wandering around the fairgrounds."

Michael Simon, a Portland lawyer who works with Merkley's campaign said in a letter that neither the rules nor the fair's contract with the Democrats clearly prohibit "the type of activities that the fair manager attempted recently to restrict."

He recalled that in 2002 political activist Lloyd Marbet, won a free-speech case in Clackamas County after he was arrested at Estacada's city park for violating a similar rule against mingling with voters on public property to gather petition signatures.

The Yamhill County Democratic Central Committee says its politicking at the Yamhill County Fair was hampered by excessive regulation.

Initiative petitioner Ramsey McPhillips and nonpartisan county commissioner candidate Kris Bledsoe, say they also ran into trouble trying to work among the estimated 25,000 visitors over a three-day period but don't plan to press it.

McPhillips had petitioners collecting signatures and got a call from fair officials saying they had been told to leave.

They set up a table outside the fence. Bledsoe is challenging Commissioner Leslie Lewis in a November runoff and said she was told in June that no fair booths were available.

Fair Manager Al Westhoff suggested the independent candidate seek space in the Democratic Party booth but she declined.

Westoff, a former head of the Oregon State Fairs association said most county fairs have similar rules.

But Liz Marlia-Stein, a party activist and a supporter of McPhillips' landfill petition, said being able to hand out political material is important at this time of the year.

The fair was a weekend stop for Merkley, who is facing Republican Incumbent Sen. Gordon Smith.

Portland attorney Michael Simon, who works with Merkley's campaign, wrote that he doesn't think the fair's rules and agreements bar the activity Westoff tried to stop.

He said a lawsuit could be brought claiming violation of constitutional rights.

Information from: News-Register, <http://www.newsregister.com>

Copyright 2008 Associated Press. All rights reserved.
This material may not be published, broadcast, rewritten, or redistributed.



MarketWatch Community. Share. Discover. Connect.

FRONT PAGE **NEWS & COMMENTARY**

Columnists First Take Special Reports Blogs Podcasts Industry News Economy & Politics Newsletters Election 2008

LATEST NEWS [FRE] Freddie Mac shares off 13% at \$3.60

California State Fair to Feature First Known Amusement Ride Powered Solely By Cows

PG&E Cow Powered Ride Highlights Advances In Renewable Energy

Last update: 9:50 p.m. EDT Aug. 12, 2008



SACRAMENTO, Calif., Aug. 12, 2008 (BUSINESS WIRE) — Move over horse power, cow power could be the next big thing! The California State Fair today announced that the event will host the first known amusement ride powered entirely by cow manure.

Pacific Gas and Electric Company and developer BioEnergy Solutions will power a children's train ride with renewable biogas, made from California dairy cows. The ride, "Barnyard Animal Train," is owned by Ray Cammack Shows and will be located in the Kaiser Permanente Kids Park at the State Fair. Kids will have the opportunity to take a ride and learn more about renewable energy options for the future and about being environmentally conscious.

"Powering a children's ride at the state fair with biogas is a celebration of the great efforts of California's dairy farmers to help us meet our energy needs," said PG&E Vice President of Gas Transmission and Distribution Robert T. Howard. "We're proud to partner with these innovative dairy farmers and demonstrate the potential for the state's agriculture and power sectors to work together to meet California's climate goals."

Biogas is gas produced by the anaerobic digestion or fermentation of organic material, such as cow manure, but may be made from any biodegradable waste. After purification, the gas produced (methane) is the same as the natural gas we use today. In addition to providing PG&E customers with a clean and renewable resource, biogas provides the dairy farmers in PG&E's service area with a new source of revenue and removes methane, a potentially hazardous greenhouse gas, from the air.

Fairgoers can learn more about this source of green energy at the California State Fair. The exhibit and ride will be here in the Kaiser Permanente Kids Park starting Friday, Aug. 15 through Labor Day.

For any further questions, media may contact the Media Director Brooke Converse, at (916) 263-3108 or mediacenter@calexpo.com.

SOURCE: California State Fair

California State Fair Media Center
Brooke Converse, 916-263-3108 or 916-416-0796
MediaCenter@calexpo.com

Copyright Business Wire 2008



More

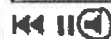
Enter Symbol(s) or Keyword(s)

Welcome, please sign in
[My Portfolio](#) • [Community](#) • [VSE](#) • [Alerts](#)



Go global
with UPS.

Learn more at ups.com/whiteboard



Paperlessly.

International shipping, simplified.

ups.com/whiteboard

Personal Finance Daily E-newsletter



Understand the most important financial issues that affect your life — from financing a car to buying a home to planning for retirement.

Enter your email address

[Privacy policy](#)

MOST POPULAR

READ E-MAILED EDITOR'S PICK

1. Olympic medals more valuable than the metal
2. U.S. stock futures point higher after H-P results
3. At least 45 dead as Spanair flight crashes in Madrid
4. Beijing weighs \$58 billion stimulus plan: JP Morgan
5. Will the 'House of Mouse' make a Yahoo play?
6. Even the best borrowers will feel the brunt of the credit crisis
7. Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac headline losers at open
8. Shanghai surge sparks region's rebound
9. H-P shares get lift on strong earnings forecast
10. Forecasting further write-downs, Goldman cuts estimates for banks

Get the Latest MarketWatch News >>

PARTNER CENTER



Switch to Scottrade:
Get Up to \$100 Back



Trade with E*TRADE
Securities

Sponsored Links

Smarter Clean Electricity

Help America Turn On The Switch To Smarter Electricity Solutions.
www.WeCanSolveIt.org

The Pickens Energy Plan

Reduce Dependence on Foreign Oil Through Domestic Wind and Solar.
PickensPlan.com

Kaiser Health Insurance

Get Quotes. Compare Plans. Apply. Come to eHealthInsurance® & Say!
eHealthInsurance.com/Kaiser

Top stories

11:23 AM today Forecasting further write-downs, Goldman cuts estimates for banks

10:43 AM today H-P shares get lift on strong earnings forecast

9:11 AM today Beijing priming post-Olympics money pump

INTRODUCED 98.05 DARE TRUCKS SEE ALL YOU GET

Scottrade
7 Online Trades

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL
Small Business

Retirement Weekly
FREE Sample Issue

Take our free online seminars. Charles Schwab

Switch to Scottrade, get up to \$100 back

Visit WSJ.com/smallbusiness

Plan for the retirement you deserve

Want to be smart about Undiscovered Managers Behavioral Value Fund?

WBMD	AOTN	KIT	LSR	ACIW	9.2%
					0%

DISCLAIMER

Shares of UBVAX were down 2.46% over the last five days despite ACIW, the fund's largest holding, gaining 9.18%.

Scottrade SmartText Learn More

Site Index | Topics | Archive | Help | Feedback | Media Archive | Premium Products | Mobile | RSS | Podcasts | Company Info | Advertising Media Kit | DJ Client Solutions

The Wall Street Journal Digital Network:

WSJ.com | Barron's Online | BigCharts | Virtual Stock Exchange | All Things Digital | MarketWatch Community
RealEstateJournal.com | Financial News Online | WSJ.com Small Business

MarketWatch


Copyright © 2008 MarketWatch, Inc. All rights reserved.

By using this site, you agree to the Terms of Service and Privacy Policy.


California State Fair to Feature First Known Amusement Ride Powered Solely By Cows - MarketWatch

Intraday data provided by Interactive Data Real Time Services, a division of Interactive Data Corp. and subject to terms of use. Historical and current end-of-day data provided by Interactive Data Pricing and Reference Data. More information on NASDAQ traded symbols and their current financial status. Intraday data delayed 15 minutes for Nasdaq, and 20 minutes for other exchanges. Dow Jones Indexes(S&P) from Dow Jones & Company, Inc. SEHK intraday data is provided by Comstock and is at least 60-minutes delayed. All quotes are in local exchange time. Real-time last sale data provided by NASDAQ

the coming soon



only at your new 24 hour fitness coming soon to 13019 ne fourth plain rd., vancouver


join now

columbian.com

ColumbianShop

ColumbianTalk

ClarkCountyTopics



The Columbian

Serving Clark County, Washington | August 20, 2008



62°F
» Forecast
» Weather Alerts





Experience Quality Commitment



Home | News | Business | Sports | Opinion | Arts & Living | Obituaries | Photo | Education | Classifieds | Jobs | Auto | Real Estate | Rentals | Shopping | User, Visitor | login | new user |

Search:  

Subscribe | Contact Us | e-Edition | Site Map | Archives | Advertise

▼ LOCAL & US/WORLD NEWS

columbian.com » News » Local News

Off Beat: Effort to earn cell tower revenue never flags

Monday, August 11, 2008

O say, can you see the cell tower?

If you visited the Clark County Fair this year, maybe you looked up to admire the impressive new American flag standing out against the blue summer sky.

The flag is waving from a new 160-foot flagpole that is towering over the fair's grandstand and the carnival rides.

"Towering" is a very appropriate word, as it turns out. That's because the new flagpole is doing double duty.

"It's a working cell tower disguised as a flagpole," said Justin Kobluk, executive director of the Clark County Event Center at the Fairgrounds.

Cellular equipment is getting compact enough now to fit inside a relatively narrow space, without a bulky dish or antenna marling the skyline, Kobluk said.

The new Old Glory is an eye-catching 39 feet wide by 20 feet deep. That's the biggest flag they could install without having it hamper cell-phone service.

A bigger flag would flap even more energetically in a strong wind. That, in turn, would create a swaying at the top of the flagpole, and, "That would interfere with the cellular signal," Kobluk said.

There are other aspects to the flagpole/cell tower, Kobluk said. It provides a new landmark along Interstate 5.

And, it's a nice source of income for the event center, with AT&T paying \$18,000 a year for the site.

Camou-flagged

This has become something of an art form, according to a story a few years ago on the networkworld.com Web site.

Writer Denise Duble noted that, "About a quarter of the estimated 130,000 cellular towers across the U.S. are camouflaged, some as trees, others as flagpoles and still others as church steeples."

There's another disguise that is popular in some parts of the country, but the Clark County Fairgrounds is not really the place to "plant" a towering concrete cactus.

Off Beat lets members of The Columbian news team step back from our newspaper beats to write the story behind the story, fill in the story, or just tell a story.

Email This
Print This
Larger Font
Smaller Font
Dig This Story

Advertisement

It's your community

They're your neighbors

And you can keep them healthy, handy and well

Find your calling

PHOTOS on

 The Columbian

See what you're missing



Online photo album of life in Clark County, submitted by you

Photos of the day

Picture yourself

Galleries and slideshows

Special moments

TOP HOMES, RENTALS

Roomy 1, 2 & 3 BR Apt. BLOWOUT! ...

CASCADE PARK. 2 BR/1.5 BA, dishwasher, ho...

GORGEOUS Columbia River View. Shorewood ...

Custom Home on 6.1 View Acres \$91...

WASHOUGAL. 3 BR, 2.5 BA, FR & office....

All Top Homes/Rentals

Subscribe | Contact Us | Advertise with Us | Help/Feedback | Privacy Policy
©2008 Columbian.com. All Rights Reserved - Use of this site constitutes acceptance of our User Agreement.



The Columbia

Small Steps Make Fair Eco-friendly

Friday, August 08, 2008

By HOWARD BUCK, Columbian Staff Writer

Clark County's fair is greener this year.

Email This

Larger Font

Print This

Smaller Font

Digg This Story

Advertisement

A bit more corny, too.

We're not talking lush lawns or buttered ears.

Fair directors, vendors and the paying public have shifted to more earth-friendly, sustainable habits during the 10-day frenzy.

The shift is obvious as the 50 recycling bins stationed across the fairgrounds, new rows of compact-fluorescent lights in exhibit halls and racks of recycled-paper towels.

It's subtle as the fair workers who round up each discarded cardboard box for recycling and used cooking oil for biofuel. Or the biodegradable forks, plates, bowls and even straws used by visitors who munch fruit pie or sip cool drinks at the Community of Christ booth.

"Once in a while we'll tell customers, but we're not advertising it," said Netta Groat, helping to serve treats on Thursday. This year, the group purchased utensils that look like normal plastic or paper, but are made with corn-based syrup or starches that hasten their breakdown.

"Our church is trying to do the best we can for the earth," Groat said. The new policy applies to all potlucks and regular gatherings, she said.

It's the same at the Columbia Presbyterian Church booth, where signs tip off patrons, said Tom Musser, fair director. Some other vendors also jumped in this year. But wholesale change must wait a bit, he said.

Last winter, state legislators pondered a bill to require biodegradable fast-food utensils at most public fairs and festivals, Musser said.

There's already momentum behind an even greater leap: Composting all the fair's food wastes, to reduce the mass of trash produced over 10 summer days and nights.

Musser said he came close to sealing a compost deal with a private firm for 2008, but ran out of time. "It's our goal for next year," he said.

Sustainable practice? At the county fair? It almost seems sacrilege in the sanctum of belt-busting corn dogs and elephant ears, fuel-guzzling monster trucks and unbridled consumerism.



ZACHARY KAUFMAN/The Columbian

Zolynn Hawk, 10, spins a conservation-themed dial before answering a prize question inside the Sustainable Futures exhibit at the Clark County Fair on Thursday. Fair vendors and management have adopted earth-friendly practices to curb waste and cut costs.

But smart, eco-friendly ways pad the bottom line, besides being the right thing to do, Musser said.

That's why the fair recycles wood, metal, plastic bottles. Loads of animal manure go to landscape firms, corn husks to a local dairy for a feed supplement.

Janitors use nontoxic cleaning solutions. Foam-based soap and hand sanitizers have replaced alcohol-based soaps.

"We're pleased with how far we've come. There's a lot more we can do and know we need to do," Musser said. "But it's a tall order, because we become a small city."

Also new at the fair is the sustainability arm of Clark County government. County planners host an interactive exhibit, with displays on land conservation, saving salmon and fighting noxious weeds.

Jennifer Pribil, 29, of Proebstel, spun a wheel-of-fortune device and aced a conservation question to win a small prize. She also filled out a brief rural-lands survey to win a nylon shopping bag.

"I think it's important for the area. Lived here all my life," said Pribil, wheeling her 22-month son, Kyam, around the fair. The new, reusable bag will go to good use, she said.

"We fill every single car (with bags) to make sure we use them, even our camper when we go camping," she said.

The Columbian Publishing Co. copyright & permissions rules

All materials appearing in The Columbian are protected by copyright as a collective work or compilation under U.S. copyright and other laws and are the property of The Columbian Publishing Company or the party credited as the provider of the content. You may not copy, reproduce, distribute, publish, display, perform, modify, create derivative works, transmit, or in any way exploit any such content, nor may you distribute any part of this content over any network, including a local area network, sell or offer it for sale, or use such content to construct any kind of database. However you may download from columbian.com such content for your own personal, noncommercial use but only if you make only one machine readable copy and/or one print copy. You may not alter or remove any copyright or other notice from copies of the content. Copying or storing any content except as provided above is expressly prohibited without prior written permission of the copyright holder identified in the individual content's copyright notice.

To obtain permission to photocopy content of The Columbian, contact Copyright Clearance Center, 222 Rosewood Drive, Danvers, MA 01923; FAX (978) 750-4470, or www.copyright.com. All other requests for permission should be directed via email to archives@columbian.com.

The Columbus Dispatch

Ohio's Greatest Online Newspaper

Making the fair fairer, greener

Recycling butter cow, composting food are part of reducing waste

Sunday, August 3, 2008 3:32 AM

By Kathy Lynn Gray

THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH



TOM DODGEDispatch

Sybil Burskey, left, and Margaret Martin figure out which bin to use at the Ohio State Fair.

Some Ohio drivers might have a piece of the Ohio State Fair's famous butter cow in their gasoline tank sometime soon.

The butter normally is thrown away, but this year all 2,500 pounds used to make the cow and two other butter sculptures for the fair will become biodiesel fuel through a project at Mount Vernon Nazarene University.

It's one way the fair plans to recycle as it moves to become greener.

The other big effort is collecting everything recyclable or biodegradable in the Taste of Ohio food building during the fair.

That means the corn cob you've gnawed on, that piece of leftover sandwich bun and the baked potato your kid wouldn't eat won't go into a landfill; it'll disintegrate into dirt in a super-duper compost pile at Paygro, a company in South Charleston, about 40 miles southwest of Columbus.

Fairgoers who eat at Taste of Ohio, in the round building in the center of the fairgrounds, will be encouraged to separate their refuse after meals. Biodegradables will go into a green bin; recyclables, a blue bin; and all other trash, a brown bin.

"The state fair is a wonderful opportunity to educate people, to look at new and different things," said Chet Chaney, a grant section manager for the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. "We hope people will start seeing this as a traditional way of doing business."

The trickiest part might be the biodegradables, he said. As part of a state grant, the

restaurants in that building are using biodegradable plates, cutlery and cups. They're made of substances such as cornstarch or sugar cane but look like high-quality paper plates.

Information about the effort is on each table, and the refuse bins are marked.

Elysia Carmona, 30, was chagrined when she learned she'd thrown her plate and cutlery into the wrong bin after eating at the state fair last week. She chunked it into the trash can and then carefully deposited her plastic water bottle in the bin for recyclables. She didn't realize that the plate and utensils could go into the biodegradables bin.

"They're really nice plates, I noticed," said Carmona, of Evansville, Ind. She was visiting the fair with her cousin. Neither of them noticed the signs on the sides of the bins detailing what refuse is to go where.

"They should put a sign right on top, not on the sides," Carmona said. "No one reads the sides."

The effort is part of Waste Less, a new recycling campaign by the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio. That's funded at the fair by a Natural Resources grant that's also paying for 600 new recycling containers for bottles and cans on the grounds.

"The third-largest type of waste we get at the landfill is food waste," said Kristi Michels, environment education manager for SWACO. "And we want to reduce the waste going into the landfill."

The three-bin system also will be used at the Rhodes Center, where about 400 state fair band and choir members eat every day, and in Ranahans restaurant on the grounds. Last year, a similar system was used in those buildings, and 4,000 pounds of biodegradable waste were collected.

Those facilities, as well as all the Concessions by Cox stands on the grounds, will recycle their frying oil for the Mount Vernon Nazarene biodiesel project.

Kathy Riggins and her 18-year-old daughter, Emily, noticed the recycling effort right away when they sat down with their rib-eye sandwich. They read the details on the table tent -- a card folded like a tent that sits on every table.

"It's important to do this when you have this huge amount of waste paper here," said Riggins, of Lancaster. They planned to toss their plate and two forks into the bin for biodegradables.

kgray@dispatch.com

On the Web • See the fair schedule and read Kathy Lynn Gray's fair blog and more at Dispatch.com/ohiostatefair.



bnd.com

Back to web version

Wednesday, Aug 20, 2008

Posted on Thu, Aug. 14, 2008

State fairs tout green efforts, but some struggle

By JENNY SONG
Associated Press Writer

The doughnut stand's plastic exterior was studded with incandescent lights. Its generators hummed. And the cold water for sale came in plastic bottles.

But unlike most of the hundreds of vendors at the Illinois State Fair, The Donut Family was in contention for the fair's first-ever Green Vendor Award. Why?

It served its fare in paper.

At an institution where recycling became a possibility only a year ago, a vendor eschewing styrofoam is as green as it gets.

Across the country, state and county fair organizers are promoting "going green" this summer. But many fairs are having difficulty following through.

"It's a learning curve," said Maria Calico, a director at the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, which represents state and county fairs in the United States and Canada. "A lot of it depends upon the fair's community."

Fairs in California and Washington are ahead of the curve, installing solar panels to generate power and converting cooking oil into biofuel. Others, like Missouri, are introducing recycling bins for the first time.

In Illinois, the fair bears the weight of more than a hundred years of tradition, and organizers say deeper reforms grate against that.

Last year, the fair began setting up recycling bins where people could toss their plastic bottles. But those are still scarce compared with trash cans.

This year, the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity set up kiosks throughout the grounds promoting environmental conservation. Enter some numbers into a calculator, and it'll tell you your impact on the earth and how to minimize it.

"It's a good way to attract families so that they can learn about, you know, small steps they can take to reduce their carbon footprint," said Marcelyn Love, a spokeswoman for the department.

But organizers say the fair itself cannot cut back on energy use, or at least not by much. Vendors need electricity. Bams need to be cooled. If you don't refrigerate display shelves, award-winning pies will grow mold.

"There's only so much you can reduce," said Amy Bilefnick, director of the fair. "We've tried to replace lightbulbs. We can probably encourage more recyclable materials with our vendors."

It's a view shared by other fair organizers.

"Because we're a fair, we like things bright and shiny, lights running and colorful," said Susan Lavole, vice president of the Eastern States Exposition, or the Big E, a multistate fair for New England.

Only recently have fairs like the Big E begun to ask vendors to turn off lights when they're done for the night. "A lot of them used to just leave them running all night because it looks nice," Lavole said.

The State Fair of Texas also is asking workers to turn off the lights when the fair closes.

"Definitely we pull a lot of wattage," said Sue Gooding, public relations manager for the State Fair of Texas. "The rides that come in, when you're talking about the types and sizes of exhibit buildings that we have, it is a massive undertaking."

Gooding says she sees rides switching to LED lights in the future to save more energy. But the Texas fair doesn't own the rides, so it's not up to them.

In California, workers this year erected a solar panel that generated enough power to amplify sound for an outdoor concert at Marin County's fair. Organizers of that fair touted their event as the "greenest county fair on Earth."

"We still had to use regular electricity to work the fans, the misters, to keep all the animals cool," said Clara Franco, publicist for the Marin County fair. "It's hard to go completely green. But that's not to say that little things can't be done here or there."

Other fairs point to hurdles. Lavole said the Big E is pushing to become more progressive and environmentally friendly - but the task of coordinating hundreds of vendors and throngs of people is huge. The fair is providing recycling for vendors this year, but it doesn't put out recycling bins for fairgoers - instead, workers pick out aluminum and glass from the trash.

"We found that to work better because the public doesn't necessarily know the different bins," Lavole said.

Craig Perkins, director of The Energy Coalition, a nonprofit that promotes efficient energy use, says if fairs are serious about going green, they need to make better energy use and waste management a part of all their activities - and think about environmentalism as more than a marketing tool.

"The most important element is if they're really taking it seriously, or if they're just paying lip service," he said.

Perkins said one easy but effective change fairs can make is offsetting energy use by buying clean energy credits.

Like any other business, fairs have the incentive to cut back on energy and waste. They usually have to pay by the ton to dump the trash they produce. In Illinois, the fair generates 37 tons of garbage a day for 10 days, and it costs the state more than \$165,000 to remove it.

Calico, the director of the association of fairs, has been organizing seminars about the benefits of becoming more earth-conscious. The financial element is a big one. But so, too, is simply being current.

The message resonates, but it's a matter of applying it.

"Things are different now," said Bilefnick, the Illinois state fair director. "That's our goal, though, is to change with the times."

© 2007 Belleville News-Democrat and wire service sources. All Rights Reserved. <http://www.belleville.com>



Ozaukee County Board OKs \$40,000 for fair improvements

By DAN BENSON
dbenson@journalsentinel.com

Posted: Aug. 9, 2008

Port Washington - After nearly two decades of trying to decide how to improve the Ozaukee County Fairgrounds in Cedarburg, officials believe they may be closer than ever after two recent meetings.

The Ozaukee County Board last week voted unanimously to spend \$40,000 on storm water engineering and a space-needs study of the fairgrounds that they hope will provide cost estimates and guide them in the redevelopment process.

The resolution approved on Wednesday authorizes the county Public Works Committee to hire a consultant to develop the study, which would then be used to help guide officials in deciding between two renovation plans recently put forward by an ad hoc fairgrounds committee.

The other meeting involved Cedarburg Plan Commission members — who must sign off on any improvements — Ozaukee County Administrator Tom Meaux and County Supervisors Kathy Geracie and John Hazelwood, who is chairman of the ad hoc committee.

Meaux said the plan commission had a "positive reaction" to the plans being put forward by the county and had no objection to an open style of barn construction that some fair officials prefer.

It was objections to that style of barn that killed another renovation plan in the early 1990s, Meaux told supervisors on Wednesday.

The committee is proposing two options, both of which call for demolishing six buildings within the next 5 years.

One option calls for replacing those buildings by adding heated space to the existing youth building, and building a new cold storage building and new barn for sheep and goats.

The second option calls for constructing a heated exhibit building that could be used year-round and generate additional revenue. The second plan also calls for a new sheep and goat barn.

The two options were finalized in May by the ad hoc committee. The Public Works Committee and the Environment and Land Use Committee both voted unanimously to spend the \$40,000 on the new study.

The barns and youth building are in dire need of repair, officials say.

"Those buildings are just shot," is how Hazelwood put it.

Once the new study is complete, Hazelwood said his committee will ask the County Board to allocate funds to complete a first phase of improvements in time for the 2009 Ozaukee County Fair, which will be the fair's 150th anniversary.

Any improvement plan will be phased in over a period of years, Hazelwood said. The committee has no cost estimates yet for either option, he said.

The County Board must approve any allocation of funds for renovating the fairgrounds. Any plan also must pass muster with the City of Cedarburg.

Advertisement



A bright idea in online advertising.

PrinterStitial® ads by Format Dynamics.



Print Powered By  FormatDynamics



The Ozaukee County Fair is one of the last free fairs in the state, organizers say.

Stymied improvements

Officials have struggled for years with whether to improve the site, move the fair to another location or join with Washington County to create a two-county fair.

Complicating matters has been the Balkanized nature of the site due to the number of so-called "stakeholders."

The 36-acre site on north Washington Ave. is divided evenly between the county-owned fairgrounds and Fireman's Park, owned by Cedarburg Fire Department Inc., the fund-raising arm of the volunteer Cedarburg Fire Department. The county rents Fireman's Park during the fair each year.

Besides the county and fire department, other stakeholders include the Ozaukee County Agricultural Society, which operates the fair; the Ozaukee County 4-H, which owns five of the 11 fairgrounds buildings, the City of Cedarburg and the Cedarburg Chamber of Commerce.

The grandstand on Fireman's Park is owned by the fire department and was condemned in 1997. The fair rents bleachers each year because the grandstand is unusable, except to shelter vendors beneath it.

In 2001, county and city officials spent more than \$55,000 on a study that called for combining the fairgrounds and Fireman's Park, including tearing down the grandstand and expanding the site as a year-round venue for commercial and entertainment activities.

Operation of the fairgrounds would have fallen to a single entity with representatives from the hodgepodge of groups, under the proposal.

One finding of the study is that those who live nearest to the fairgrounds wish it would just go away and if it can't go away, they would rather leave it as it is.

That caused the county to begin looking at other sites, all of which would have cost millions of dollars to develop, and to consider leasing the newly built Washington County Fair Park in the Town of Polk.

The cost of improving the site or moving it ranged from more than \$3 million to nearly \$20 million, depending on the scope of the work, the study said.

The study finally concluded that the best option would be for the county to buy Fireman's Park from the fire department, something that members of the fire department decided they didn't want to do.

Meanwhile, maintenance of the site has cost the county millions of dollars in recent years, officials say.

Some of those improvements included installing new wash stations and a water system in 2001, at a cost of \$175,000, after 25 fairgoers were stricken by E. coli and about 200 others reported symptoms. State health officials said the outbreak was likely caused by people not washing their hands after petting animals.

Hazelwood and others said they hope the latest move to solve the fairgrounds' problems will help keep the fair in Cedarburg for decades to come.

"It's retro. It reminds me of my fairs in my youth, and it has a charm," he said.

Advertisement



A bright idea in online advertising.

PrinterStital® ads by Format Dynamics.



FormatDynamics®

Print Powered By  FormatDynamics®