



GRANGE CO-OP Community NEWSLETTER

WILDFIRE RELIEF

SEPTEMBER
2022

The month of September served as a difficult reminder of the wildfire risks our communities face each summer. As evacuation notices pushed residents away from their homes, farms, and ranches we were able to assist local non-profits in caring for evacuated companion animals and livestock.

Southern Oregon Emergency Aid (SOEA) has been a pillar in counties across southern Oregon, helping evacuate and care for livestock impacted by wildfire spread. Volunteers work long hours transporting livestock from evacuation zones. Grange Co-op provided donations including hay, bedding, and feed to assist SOEA in their efforts.

Shelter Friends, another local non-profit, has worked to help create a safe environment for evacuated pets, providing them with care and



companionship in these high-stress situations. Grange Co-op provided treats, toys, food, and other items to try and contribute to the work the incredible volunteers put in.

Store employees took time out of their workday to gather donations & load supplies to ensure these organizations

had the items they needed to serve our communities.

We are proud to support organizations that continuously lend a helping hand in times of need. Our support would not be possible without the incredible customers we serve and the communities that surround our stores.

KLAMATH COUNTY 4-H



Schools are back in session, and so is agriculture education. Grange Co-op has been a proud supporter of Klamath County 4-H's Chick Hatch program. Elementary schools across Klamath County have had the opportunity to watch chicks hatch in their classroom. From the classrooms, hatched chicks are transported to local High Schools where students continue to care

for them, and their eggs are used in the school cafeterias across their district. Klamath County 4-H has begun a successful Farm to Table program for students while promoting agricultural education and exposure. As students returned to school, Grange Co-op and Klamath County 4-H began laying the groundwork for the 2022-23 school year!

COUNTY FAIRS

September marked the end of our local summer fair season! We were invited to attend the Siskiyou County Fair and the Tulelake Butte Valley Fair for their Jr Livestock Auctions. 4-H and FFA members worked day and night to raise their market projects, ranging from cattle, swine, goats, lambs, poultry, and Ag Mechanic projects. Students have spent the past year waking up before the sun to ensure their projects were ready for their county fair. Grange Co-op is always proud to support the youth in our communities who invest in agricultural experiences.



We are proud to have supported 10 projects during these two livestock auctions. We want to congratulate each of the exhibitors on their hard work and dedication over the course of their projects.

YOUTH IN AG RE-ENROLLMENT



September began re-enrollment for our Youth in Ag Rewards Program. Our stores are committed to investing in the communities we serve. 4-H and FFA members under the age of 19 are eligible to participate in our FREE Youth in Ag rewards program. Youth in Ag members receive up to 1% in rewards, and up to 10% off select items you use throughout the duration of your project. As we move into the start of livestock projects for 2023 Grange customers participating in 4-H and FFA are encouraged to join our Youth in Ag Program.

We were also able to congratulate one of our Youth in Ag members, Bodie Johnson, for his achievements at the Jackson County Fair. Bodie received recognition as the Rate of Gain Champion, all while feeding his steer Rogue Feed.



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