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OREGON AG FEST CELEBRATES 37 YEARS

Experience life on the farm at the Oregon State Fairgrounds in Salem, OR April 27-28

Salem, Ore. - April 27-28, 2024 - For thirty-seven years, Oregon Ag Fest has been taking over the State Fairgrounds to help kids learn where their food, fiber, and flora come from. To experience life on the farm in an interactive, fun and festive way, head to the Oregon State Fairgrounds in Salem on Saturday, April 27, from 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, April 28, from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Children 15 and under are admitted for free (parking is also free). Admission is \$15 for 16 and over.

There will be plenty to do and see at this year's event. All activities center around locally grown products, which allows families to celebrate the wonderful and diverse world of Oregon agriculture. Weekend of family fun includes:

- Meet "Nosey" the cow, goats, rabbits, pigs, and other farm animals
- Watch a llama show
- Race a mini pedal tractor
- Watch chicks hatch
- See a sheep get a haircut
- Listen to live music and enjoy family entertainment
- Plant seedlings
- Ride a pony
- See logging demonstrations
- Take a horse-drawn wagon ride
- Watch dog-herding demonstrations
- Visit garden & craft booths
- Watch cooking demonstrations, taste local foods and more!

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Oregon Ag Fest I P.O. Box 9141 I Salem, OR 97305 I www.oragfest.com PH: 503.550.4765 l michele@ruby-do.com "Our goal is to make learning fun, and help kids gain a better understanding of the importance of agriculture to Oregon's rural landscape," said Corey Burns, OR Ag Fest Chair. "We are really proud of the wide variety of activities offered at the event to help families experience all sides of agriculture, and almost every activity inside the event is completely free," Burns added.

Don't forget to kick off Ag Fest 2024 on Saturday, April 27 from 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. with the old-fashioned ranch-style breakfast. Enjoy hotcakes, sizzling ham on the grill, Oregongrown fruit toppings, scrambled eggs, juice, coffee, and milk — prepared by Linn County 4-H groups. Cost is \$8 for adults; children under three years are free. Proceeds from the breakfast provide scholarships for 4-H camp and leader training.

About Oregon Ag Fest

Over 23,000 people attend Ag Fest annually to touch, taste, and experience the incredible world of Oregon agriculture in a fun-filled, festive environment. Ag Fest draws tourists as well as residents from all over the state and is sponsored in part by Oregon Farm Bureau, Tillamook, Wilco, Oregon Dairy Women, Oregon Department of Agriculture, and Oregon Women for Agriculture, amongst many others.

Ag Fest is a nonprofit 501 (c)(3) volunteer organization dedicated to educating the public about the importance of agriculture. For more information go to <u>www.oragfest.com</u>.

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