

2008 MANAGER'S WELCOME MESSAGE

"STIRRUP SOME FUN" is the Fair Theme for the 84th Harney County Fair, Rodeo, and Racemeet that will be held on the dates of September 2-7, 2008, right here in Burns, Oregon.

Now, to **"Stirrup Some Fun"** it means to get out your western duds and come out to the Fairgrounds and participate or watch all of the events happening at the 84th Annual Fair. There will be 6 days of events being held throughout the week after Labor Day.

Dale White has been honoured with the distinction of being the **Grand Marshall for the 2008** Harney County Fair. Dale is a lifelong resident of Harney County and one of its most valued citizens for many years. We congratulate Dale on this honor and want to thank him for his many years of service to the population of this great County.

Lindy Steeves will reign as the **Queen of the 2008 Fair**. She has represented Harney County at many events this summer, and along with Dale, she will be the official host and hostess of the 84th Fair.

There will be a new event held this year during the Fair. The **"Big Cluck Grill Off"** will make its' debut here in the Burns and Hines area. This event is for teams of 3 people that will grill chicken in a competition for the top chef of the 84th Harney County Fair. The winner will qualify to represent Harney County at the 2009 Oregon State Fair, and will have the distinction of being the 1st winner of the cook-off here at home. This event is sponsored by the Oregon Fryers Commission. Call the Fair Office @ 573-6447, or check the Premium Book for more information on how to enter.

The **US Bank Stage** will once again have a very good line-up of professional talent to entertain you! Making his 2nd appearance at the Fair is **Country Singer Drew Peterson**.....An outstanding ventriloquist, **Mark Thompson**, will be here for the 3rd time having performed at 2 different Fairs about 10 years ago.....Two performers will be making their 1st appearance.....**Adam the Great**, a young and impressive magician, and **Bob Bailey III**, a comedy juggler, will both showcase their skills for the

audiences at their shows.....These performers will be on the US Bank Stage on the dates of September 4-5-6-7. Other performers will be added as the summer comes.

The **11th Annual Talent Show** will be held on **September 4** on the US Bank Stage. It is hard to believe there have been 10 other Talent Shows before this year. There have been some wonderful talent exhibited on stage through the years. I am sure you won't want to miss this event.

All of your favorite events will once again happen during the week. Horse Racing, Rodeo, Ranch Rodeo, Livestock Shows, Horse Shows, Dog Show, Rabbit Show, Open Class Exhibits, 4H Exhibits, FFA Exhibits, Kids Playday, and much, much more will take place over the 6 day Fair. Check the Premium Book for a detailed schedule of events for September 2 through 7.

Paradise Amusements will once again set up to give all who dare a thrill ride beyond compare for a small County Fair. They will have several adult rides, kids rides, and game booths for everyone to enjoy. Be sure to get your "Pay One Price" carnival wrist band coupons during the pre-sale time period for sensational discounts.

So, please mark your calendars for a lot of fun in September. Reserve the dates of **September 2-7 for the HC Fair**. Please also mark your calendars for **August 9 for the Steve Holy concert**, and for **August 23 for the Demolition Derby** followed by a dance to the music of **Pete Ford and Texas Hold Em**. These events will be equally as much fun as the Fair!

Thank you all in advance for your involvement in the 2008 Harney County Fair!!