

Director's Coins presented at the August 21 Quarterly Conversation

Dakota Lager, 4-H Youth Program Coordinator in Tillamook County (nominated by Wiley Thompson)

During the period of remote work in response to the COVID-19 outbreak, Dakota planned and implemented a virtual 4-H horse show, animal auction, and fashion show in Tillamook County. This required significant coordination and synthesis of existing guidance to safely implement. Dakota showed his innovative spirit as he livestreamed the events for others to enjoy and to create an environment which supported reduced density of attendance. Dakota's work, along with his inspired team of support, offers a template for other programs to follow, modelling how they can produce impactful programming and normalize safe practices during these uncharted times. Dakota's work is simply exceptional and his commitment to innovatively serve are in keeping with the finest traditions of OSU Extension, 4-H, and Oregon State University.

Glenda Hyde, Associate Professor of Practice, FCH in Deschutes County (nominated by Roberta Riportella)

Glenda continues to serve as an innovative and service-oriented FCH Extension faculty member, always available to respond quickly and effectively as needs arise. When COVID-19 and its potentially devastating impact on migrant farmworkers was identified, Glenda responded by adapting her nationally awarded High Speed Hand Washing program originally designed for children in classrooms to be accessible to a largely Spanish speaking adult migrant population. The recently funded "Supporting Indigenous Culture Preservation and Reclamation through Food Preservation" demonstrates Glenda's breadth and depth, as well as her proactive and collaborative approach to meeting community needs. We thank Glenda for her continued vigilance and congratulations on creating another successful public health program.

Bobbi Howell, Office Manager in Malheur County (nominated by Barbara Brody, Christy Tanner, Sergio Arispe, Toiresa Frazier, and Natalie Kinion)

The Oregon State University (OSU) Extension Service—Malheur County Office Manager, Bobbi Howell, warmly greets Oregonians in Malheur County. Bobbi has been a critical link to keep the Malheur County extension employees in touch with our clientele, and ensured that our community knew we were still there to serve them. During the current COVID-19 pandemic, Bobbi continues to go above and beyond her duties. Most recently, she helped to successfully coordinate the review of 4-H record books, special awards, and county medals, as well as continuing to support the needs of both the employees and community. Her "can-do" attitude and contributions to team success create a positive environment not only for the extension agents, but all of our clientele. We could not keep going without Bobbi.

Southern Region Administrative Team consisting of: Laura Corder (Douglas County), Rich Roseberg (Jackson County/SOREC), Debbie Burroughs (Jackson County), Cheryl Leitch (Josephine County), Tracy Tracy (Klamath County), Jeannie Anderson (Lake County) (nominated by Jamie Davis)

The Southern Region Administrative Team has provided exemplary leadership during COVID for their respective offices, faculty & staff, and counties. Over the last 6 months they have been engaged in bimonthly "Southern Region COVID Response Meetings" where they connected as a team and leveraged resources to move forward as a united team. In turn, the Local Liaison hosted staff & faculty meetings to share operational updates and kept their colleagues connected. Additionally, they maintained and built relationships with County Commissioners through remote budget meetings. They hosted a meeting with the Southern Region ECAN members to update on remote programming successes.