

JR SHOW

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Dear Show Supporter & Friends:

Have you been out to the Junior Show Grounds lately? Are you someone who has shown at the grounds in the past or rented our facilities for one of your events? If so, perhaps you've noticed the improvements made over the past few years.

- ❖ 2013 brought the new multipurpose barn and replacing the ice machine in the kitchen.
- ❖ In 2014 expansion of the hog barn and wash rack were completed.
- ❖ In 2015 the Towslee Pavillion received interior insulation and sheeting, along with electrical upgrades and the purchase of a much needed industrial refrigerator for the kitchen.
- ❖ 2016 upgrades included the installation of a triple sink for the kitchen.

Since the inception of the Milton-Freewater Junior Show in 1954 there have been many changes. The first shows were in conjunction with the Pea Festival and held at a location behind McLoughlin High School. The current location came about through a donation from Mrs. Stephens in 1973. The construction of all the buildings on the current grounds began in the following years, and were completed by volunteers after we received the generous donation from Mrs. Stephens. Our long-time supporters share stories of those **early years** when the show "used open air and tents".

As the show has grown over the past 43 years there have been many projects, all of which have been made possible through the generosity of our community. Our organization strives to keep the facility safe, comfortable and attractive for people to hold events. This year our Show Board donated the use of the grounds for a 5-day Rodeo Bible Camp, held in June. Several weddings have taken place on the grounds, along with an increasing interest for events such as the "Blues & Brews Festival" held in July.

For the remainder of 2016 we are endeavoring to install an underground sprinkler system and also repair/replace the small animal cages. Our most challenging project for 2017 will be to upgrade the restroom/shower house building. Bids are being reviewed for this much needed improvement, which will include modifications for handicap accessibility.

Should you choose to donate this year, your contribution will assist the Show with much needed upgrade projects. Your gift is appreciated by a community larger than you may know, as the Milton-Freewater Junior Show showcases 4-H and FFA members from across Umatilla and Walla Walla Counties. Please visit our website (www.mfjrshow.com) for more information or email us (mfjrshow@gmail.com) with any questions you may have. We would love to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Milton-Freewater Junior Show Board of Directors

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