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The 38th Annual Hermiston Farm Fair and Trade Show will be Wednesday, November 30, through Friday, December 2, 2011 at the Hermiston Conference Center, 415 S. Hwy 395. The Farm Fair is an agricultural forum co-sponsored by OSU Extension Service, the Agriculture Committee and the Greater Hermiston Chamber of Commerce. Local agriculture-related businesses will be displaying their wares and services, both inside and outside the Conference Center. Agriculture-related seminars will be offered all three days.

The Potato Production Seminar will be all day on Wednesday. Concurrently, we will hold the Crop Seminar. Thursday morning on the Main Stage the Ag Issues Forum will cover topics of importance to agriculture in our region, one being Ground Water Management. Thursday afternoon the General Session will be on the Main Stage and the pesticide Core Program use will be offered in the Altrusa Room. Friday morning, another general session will be offered, directed toward pesticide recertification credits on the Main Stage and another pesticide Core Program will be offered in the Altrusa Room.

All sessions are free to attendees except for a $10.00 fee for each of the two Core Programs. No pre-registration is required for the seminars. Oregon, Washington and Idaho pesticide recertification credits will be available, in addition to CCA credits. A full Farm Fair agenda with pesticide credit hours will be available by mid to late November.

The Hermiston Farm Fair Banquet will be held on Thursday night at Desert River Inn. Dinner will be prime rib, $25 per person. A no-host social hour will begin the evening at 6:00 p.m. There will be entertainment by Jesse Fletcher. Tickets are available from the Hermiston Chamber of Commerce.

The Farm Fair is a great opportunity to gain knowledge and visit with friends and neighbors over a variety of freshly prepared refreshments courtesy of our local food processors, ConAgra Lamb Weston, Hermiston Foods, Shearers Foods and Columbia River Processing. Come and treat yourself at the Annual Hermiston Farm Fair.