



The OSU Dairy Club is excited to bring the first edition of our newsletter! This publication will come out once per term, and is our way of informing the Oregon dairy industry about the different events and activities we do. Additionally, it will help you get to know our members better through highlights. We hope to stay more connected and look forward to continuing our involvement with the industry in the future!

## The Year So Far

With the school year already halfway through, our focus as a club has been on preparing for our future events taking place in the next few months. In addition to our monthly business meetings, we have held several fun nights for our members including dairy olympics, an ugly sweater Christmas party with games, and more. We also took part in OSU College of Agricultural Sciences events including a gelato social for new students and had a booth at a tailgating event before a football game this fall. We won 1<sup>st</sup> place for "most interactive booth" among other clubs at the event!



## Upcoming Events

### Oregon Dairy Farmers Convention

Once again, we will be present at the Oregon Dairy Farmers Convention. We are excited to MC the Western Fun Night Dinner for the second year and serve ice cream to convention attendees as a "thank you" for all of the industry's support. Additionally, we will have club sweatshirts available for purchase.



### Industry Professionals Panel

One of our new events is hosting an Industry Professionals Panel. We are inviting agricultural professionals from different sectors of the industry to talk about their transition from college to the workforce and to start to build relationships with possible employers. This event will take place at the beginning of March. The entire College of Agriculture Sciences and all the clubs associated with the Agriculture Executive Council are welcome to attend, participate, and ask questions.



### Beaver Dairy Youth Day

Another new project for us this year is putting on the Beaver Dairy Youth Day. Aimed at 3rd graders through high school students, this day will help educate youth about selecting, fitting, and showing their dairy cattle. Participants will have the opportunity to compete in showmanship and judging contests after the respective workshops. It will be held Saturday, April 26, at the OSU Dairy Center starting at 8 am. More information and registration can be found on the [event page](#).

## Sweatshirts!

We have a new design for our club sweatshirts and are selling them in person at ODF Convention or via email. If ordering online please email the Dairy Club, [osudairyclub@gmail.com](mailto:osudairyclub@gmail.com), by March 20 with your size and information. Prices are \$35 for small, medium, large, and extra large, \$37 for XXL and larger, and please add \$5 for shipping. Children's sizes are also available upon request.

Note: Colors may vary slightly from the picture.



## Senior Spotlights

Each issue we will feature members of our club. This issue, we will start with a few of the graduating seniors.



### Melissa Cook

Melissa will graduate next month, with a degree in Animal Sciences and an option in poultry. A native of Washington, she will return to her home state and attend Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine beginning next fall. Congratulations Melissa on your outstanding accomplishment!



### Jessica Budge

Jessica is studying to obtain a double degree in Agricultural Sciences and Speech Communication. After graduating in June, she hopes to return to school to receive her Masters in Communication and eventually would like to work in agricultural public relations. She serves as the President of the Dairy Club for her second year.



### Matthew Jansen

Matthew will be graduating this June with a degree in Animal Sciences this with an option in Dairy Science. His love of cows will keep him in the industry, where he would like to work in genetics; mating cows or serving as a sales representative of semen company. He has served as the Vice President of the club for 3 consecutive years!



### Brittany Steele

Graduating in June with a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Sciences, Brittany hopes to return to Oregon State as a fellow in the Agricultural Education Cohort this summer. After school, she has a desire to become either a high school educator or an agricultural lobbyist, fighting for the farmer's rights. She also serves as secretary for the club this year.