## Othello Fair P.O. Box 298 Othello, WA 99344

The Adams County Fair Association is a non profit organization which operates independently from Adams County. This past winter, we received information from the Washington State Auditor that the Adams County Fair Association and Adams County were not handling the control of the fair properly due to receiving State Fair Funding and therefore we needed to resolve this issue.

According to the State Auditor, with having "County" in our title, we were not following proper procedure with the county itself not controlling all fair operations and flow of all funding. The options that The Adams County Fair Association were given from the state were:

- Release all control of the Adams County Fair to Adams County for them to operate as they decided.
- Change to a community fair, change the name of the fair, and pay rent to Adams County for the use of the fairgrounds.
- Not have a fair at all for this year.

After several months of negotiations between the Adams County Commissioners, the Public Works Supervisor and the Adams County Fair Association it has been agreed upon that we will be changing to a community fair. Beginning May 30, 2018, our fair name will officially be the **Othello Fair**. We ask for everyone's patience as the name will be slowly changed on everything such as our webiste, our logo, all signage as well as entry tickets and hand stamps.

We assure you that not having a fair was never an option for us as we work very hard year around to ensure we provie an affordable, family friendly fair in this area for everyone who wishes to participate in and attend. We look forward to continuing to serve this great community and seeing everyone at the Othello Fair!

If you have any questions please let us know. You can email the treasurer at <u>acfatreasurer@hotmail.com</u> and it we will forward your inquiry to the proper department.

Othello Fair Association