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4-H FOCUS

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THE 4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS CAN BE FOUND AT THE END OF THIS NEWSLETTER

Young Riders 4-H Club Fundraiser Trail Ride

Young Riders 4-H Club will hold their annual trail ride fundraiser on Saturday May 11, 2013 in Glenwood, WA. Cost is \$5 per person. The event begins at 8:30am from the Glenwood Rodeo Grounds and last riders will go out at 10am. Riders 18 & under must wear helmets. Hamburgers, chips & soda available for \$5. Enjoy a beautiful ride and help support local 4-H youth! For more information, call Sonya at 509-774-8112, Diane at 541-806-0403 or Juanita at 541-490-7515.

Swine Pre-show / Weigh-in: May 13, 4pm to 8pm, Fairgrounds

Just a reminder: there is a 45 pound minimum weight requirement for swine at pre-show/weigh-in. The Klickitat County Fair Board approved this change beginning with the 2013 Klickitat County Fair. Although 45 lbs is the minimum weight for pre-show, it is recommended that at least 50 to 55 lbs would be a more ideal beginning weight for swine. Call the Extension office you have any questions.

Family Living and Expressive Arts Projects Monthly Leader Meetings

4-H leaders interested in Family Living and Expressive Arts project areas are invited to attend the monthly planning meetings to share their ideas and interests as well as find out about educational clinics and upcoming events. Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30pm at the Goldendale Grange. Contact Pat Shamek at 541-993-9560 for additional information.

4-H Horse Leaders Meeting on Thursday, May 16, 2013

The next 4-H Horse Leader meeting will be Thursday, May 16 at 6:30pm in Lyle at the Lyle Activity Center (on 3rd street and Hwy 14). Interested horse leaders, parents and youth who would like to be a part of planning events and education for our county horse program will want to attend this meeting. This is a good way to stay up to date on current 4-H horse project information, too. Carpooling may be available from Goldendale – contact Pat Shamek at 541-993-9560 or Lisa Harness at 509-773-5817.

May 20, 2013 4-H Leaders' Council Meeting - One Week Early

The next Klickitat County 4-H Leaders' Council meeting will be Monday, May 20, 2013 in the 4-H room at the Klickitat County Fairgrounds in Goldendale. **The May meeting is held a week earlier in May due to the Memorial Day holiday on May 27.** The leader training session begins at 6:30 pm. The council meeting begins at 7pm.

The 30 minute training session prior to each meeting is a great opportunity for enrolled 4-H leaders to obtain the six (6) hours of leader education required for every leader each 4-H year.

Remember, leaders, parents and youth who attend these meetings help determine the direction of our county program. These meetings are where the "business" of our county 4-H program is conducted. Please attend as many meetings as you can. 4-H clubs are encouraged to have a club representative regularly attend meetings.

May 25 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Clinic

Don't miss the 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Clinic at the Klickitat County Fairgrounds on Saturday, May 25, 10am-4pm in the Poultry building. Check-in will start at 8:30am. Clinic will cover fitting and showing, showmanship etiquette and agility. Plan to bring a sack lunch. Fresh popcorn will be available for purchase. The show catalog and entry forms are online at www.klickitat.wsu.edu under "Upcoming Events". Questions? Call Cathy Johnson at 206-261-7055 for more details.

Information for Focus Newsletter

News articles or other information for the 4-H Focus should be sent to the Extension office by the 20th of each month. Please send the information by mail to 228 West Main St., MS-CH-12, Goldendale, WA 98620, by fax: 509-773-5707 or e-mail klickitat4h@wsu.edu.

Registration Now Open For 4-H Teen Conference – "Picture This!"

The 4-H Teen Conference engages youth in reaching their fullest leadership potential and brings together youth from across Washington State in a two-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience. Youth who have completed 7th through 12th grades are eligible to attend. Event dates are June 23-25, 2013.

Three top reasons why YOU should attend:

- Meet new teens: youth participants come from all 39 counties across the state.
- **Enjoy** nearly 50 fun, action-filled activities: educational workshops, national speakers, college/career information, and recreation.
- Experience living, learning and playing at WSU Pullman campus.

Registration cost is \$175. Bus transportation available for \$50. Registration closes June 10. Complete details about registration, conference speakers, workshops and activities can be found online at: http://4h.wsu.edu/conferences/teenconf/index.htm.

Scholarships and transportation for Teen Conference may be available for Klickitat County 4-H youth. Contact Lisa Harness at 509-773-5817 for details.



WSU Extension to host Beef, Lamb, Pork and Poultry 100 Short-Courses in Stanwood

Washington State University Extension and Department of Animal Sciences are excited to announce the first WSU BEEF, LAMB, Pork and Poultry 100 short-courses in Western Washington. The BEEF and PORK 100 course will be offered on May 17 and the LAMB and POULTRY will be offered on May 18, 2013. All courses will take place at the Stanwood-Camano Fairgrounds in Stanwood.

The WSU BEEF, LAMB, PORK and POULTRY 100 short courses are designed for beginning farmers, but are also excellent energizers for experienced food animal producers to expand opportunities and sustainability of their current livestock operation. The 100 programs have been developed to address needs identified at successful BEEF and LAMB 300/200 programs. The one-day species specific program will help livestock producers increase their knowledge on how to produce safe, high quality food animals profitably, while producing the animals in an environmentally and animal care conscious manner. The short courses will address opportunities and issues to enhance the production, safety and quality of beef, lamb pork and poultry production from the farm to the plate. These programs will increase the understanding of food animal production, quality, and marketing; thus, participants can make informed decisions to improve profitability, quality, and wholesomeness of their food animals produced.

The registration fee for *WSU BEEF, LAMB, PORK, or POULTRY 100* is \$65 per participant, which covers lunch, materials, and notebook. Registration for individuals or farms that would like to attend two classes, same species or different, is \$100. Registration after April 23rd will increase to \$75 per person per class.

For additional information on the *WSU 100 short-courses*, contact: Jan Busboom, WSU Meat Specialist, (509)335-2880 or busboom@wsu.edu; or Sarah M. Smith, Area Animal Science Educator, (509)754-2011, Ext 413 or smithsm@wsu.edu. More information and registration forms are available on the WSU Animal Agriculture web page at http://animalag.wsu.edu under "Upcoming Events".

Grant Funding – Deadlines Vary

Need some grants to help your club with a special need? If you have the time to devote to grant writing, we will be thrilled to help you find some sources of funds. Deadlines vary depending on grant. The June 1 deadline is coming up for the Harry Burcalow Endowment of Innovative Grants. Call us at 509-773-5817 for more information.

WASHINGTON STATE 4-H HALL OF FAME - NOMINATIONS DUE JUNE 1, 2013

The Washington State 4-H Hall of Fame was established in 2002 to recognize individuals and organizations that have had a significant impact upon the 4-H Youth Development Program and/or its members and leaders at anytime since 4-H's beginning. Recipients will be honored in October 2013 at the annual WA State 4-H Leaders Forum. Anyone who has made a significant contribution to the development of 4-H or 4-Hers in Washington State is eligible for nomination. Current 4-H faculty and staff are not eligible. Nominees may be living or deceased. Nominations will be accepted from any person or group in the 4-H family. **Nomination forms are due to the Washington State 4-H office no later than June 1, 2013.** The form can be obtained from the Extension office or online at http://4h.wsu.edu/hof/hofapp.pdf.

Pre-show Rules for Weighing in Animals - from Market Stock Sale Committee

The rules for weighing in animals at pre-shows from past minutes of the Klickitat County Fairboard have now been put together into its own format by the Market Stock Sale Committee. This should make it a lot easier for everyone to have a clear understanding of how many animals can be weighed in by a youth or family.

PRE SHOW RULES:

- 1. All animals must be assigned to an exhibitor or family.
- 2. A family is designated as a household with the same address.
- 3. Each family can only weigh one family animal.
- 4. Each exhibitor can weigh in a maximum of two animals at pre show.
- 5. When a family weighs in a family animal it can't exceed the two animals per exhibitor rule.

EXAMPLES

#1	Jane Smith weighs 2 animals and Bill Smith weighs 2 animals	NO FAMILY ANIMAL ALLOWED

#2 Jane Smith weighs 2 animals and Bill Smith weighs 1 animal If want to weigh a family animal, must put the 4th animal in Bill's name.***

***BY ALLOWING A FAMILY ANIMAL IN THIS SITUATION, JANE WOULD HAVE ACCESS TO 3 ANIMALS

Jane Smith weighs 1 animal and Bill Smith weighs 1 animal Smith Family weighs 1 animal. Either Smith child may show the family animal at the fair in addition to their other animal.

4-H Horse-O-Polis Summer Horse Event, July 8-10

The 2013 Klickitat County 4-H Horse-O-Polis is coming! Horse-O-Polis is open to all youth (with their horse) who are in grades 3 through 12 (school year just completed).

The purpose of Horse-O-Polis is to prepare youth for showing in their county and state 4-H fairs and improve their horsemanship skills and knowledge while having fun. Youth will have showmanship and two riding classes each day for \$120 with the option of a third riding class for an additional fee of \$30.

The cost includes all meals, riding lessons and showmanship lessons. All registrations postmarked by June 17 will also receive a 2013 4-H Horse-O-Polis T-shirt. Check-in is 5-7pm on Sunday, July 7 with the first meal served at 6pm that day.

Shavings are NOT included – you must provide your own.

PLEASE NOTE---The hours of 4-H supervision will be 7am to 9pm each day - all participants must have a designated on-site responsible adult overseeing them during the day and especially at night. Further information can be found in the registration materials. Registration forms will be mailed to past participants and will be posted online at www.klickitat.wsu.edu under "Upcoming Events" as soon as they become available. If you have questions, please contact Martha Parsons, 509-637-4016 or Nancy Beyerlin at 509-773-4746, beyerlin@gorge.net.

2013 STATE 4-H FAIR EQUINE SHOW SCHEDULE

The equine schedule for 2013 was approved as follows:

September 5-9
September 9-10
September 10-12
September 12-16
September 16-19
September 19-22
September 19-22
September 19-22
September 5-9
Senior Performance
Harness (Int and Sr)
Senior Western Games
Intermediate Performance
Intermediate Western Games

Other Equine Activities:

September 7 Equine Judging Contest

September 7 Groom Squad

September 15 National Equine Public Presentation Contest

State 4-H Fair Project Offerings:

The State 4-H Fair Board is pleased to announce the Commodity Public Presentation Categories and the Creative Kids Projects for the 2013 State 4-H Fair. Brochures will be available soon at http://4-h.wsu.edu/statefair or at the Extension office.

Commodity Public Presentation Program

The Commodity Public Presentation program is designed to help you learn to teach your ideas and thoughts to other people effectively. The CPP program has taken the typical public presentation program and combined it with some of the common agricultural commodities produced in Washington State. The following topics have been chosen for the 2013 WA State 4-H Fair: Carrots, Cherries, and Lavender (as a herb).

The Commodity Presentations must be given at the county level, and receive a blue ribbon placing before advancing to the state level. Cash Awards of \$100.00 for the Champion and \$50.00 for the Reserve Champion will be presented in each age group for each commodity. All cash award winners must be blue ribbon winners.

Creative Kids Projects

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All participants must be properly enrolled 4-H members in Washington State. Creative Kids Projects are open to all 4-H members (Junior age division and up), regardless of 4-H project enrollment. There are no pre-qualifications at the county level. All Creative Kids Projects are due to the State 4-H Fair on Monday, September 2nd (1-6pm) or Tuesday, September 3rd (10am-5pm). Cash awards and rosettes will be awarded in each age group of each class. 2013 Categories: 4-H Pet Photos, Recycled Plastic Bottles, Yard Art, Drop-Type Baked Cookies, Patriotic.

Klickitat County 4-H Calendar of Upcoming Events

Swine pre-show/weigh-in, Klickitat Co. Fairgrounds, 4-8 pm

4-H Clothing Day (State Qualifying Event), location TBA

4-H Horse Leaders meeting, 6:30pm, Lyle Activity Center Leaders' Council: training at 6:30 pm; meeting at 7 pm, 4-H room, Klickitat County Fairgrounds Klickitat County Fair Board Meeting, 7pm, Klickitat County Fairgrounds 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Clinic, 10am-4pm, Klickitat County Fairgrounds, Poultry Building Memorial Day Holiday – County offices closed
Mid-Columbia Junior Livestock Show, Tygh Valley, OR Sheep/goat pre-show, Klickitat County Fairgrounds 4-H Container Gardening Clinic, 9am to noon, Goldendale Grange hall Klickitat County Fair Board Meeting, 7pm, Klickitat County Fairgrounds 4-H Horse Leaders meeting, 6:30pm in Lyle, Lyle Activity Center WA State 4-H Teen Conference, WSU Pullman Campus, Pullman, WA Leaders' Council: training at 6:30 pm; meeting at 7 pm, 4-H room, Klickitat County Fairgrounds
Fourth of July Holiday – County offices closed 4-H Spring Break Horse Clinic, 9am – 4pm, Klickitat County Fairgrounds 4-H Family Living leaders meeting, 6:30pm, Goldendale Grange hall Fair Board meeting, 7pm, Klickitat County Fairgrounds 4-H Horse Leaders' Meeting, 6:30pm, Lyle 4-H Foods Day (State Qualifying Event), location TBA Western Games/Dressage/Jumping/Driving (State Qualifying Event), Klickitat Co. Fairgrounds 4-H Leaders' Council: training at 6:30pm, meeting at 7pm, 4-H room, Klickitat County Fairgrounds





4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills.

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