

4-H FOCUS OCTOBER 2014

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## 4-H Awards and Recognition: 4-H Achievement Day is Saturday, October 4

The Annual 4-H Achievement Day will be held on Saturday, October 4 from 5pm to 7pm at the Goldendale Grange (new hall). Dinner will be provided beginning at 5pm. Spaghetti, bread and salad will be served. Each family is also asked to bring a dozen cookies for refreshments.

Even if 4-H members did not submit a record book for county awards judging, 4-H clubs are encouraged to attend and present a short summary of what their members did during the past year. This is a great time to present and recognize all the great things Klickitat County youth and leaders have accomplished this year!

4-H Leader recognition and appreciation will also take place at this event to honor volunteers for their years of service so plan to attend and help us celebrate.

Enrollment packets will be given to main 4-H club leaders on this day. Enrollment packets will not be mailed. Exhibits that went to State Fair will be available for pickup as well as record books and other 4-H exhibits that were not picked up after county fair. Volunteers are always welcomed! Contact Lisa at the Extension office at 509-773-5817.

## Celebrate National 4-H Week, October 5-11, 2014 - "iam4H"

Celebrate National 4-H Week, October 5-11, 2014. Express your 4-H pride with this year's theme, "#iam4H." From October 5 – 11, post a picture of yourself with your #iam4H sign, which can be downloaded at this link <u>http://www.4-h.org/Content/Resource-Library/Promotional-Toolkits/Toolkits/2014-National-4-H-Week-Toolkit/</u>. Please encourage youth, volunteers, and alumni to share their 4-H pride photo on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram, along with the #iam4H and #4HWeek hashtags.



# 2014 Washington State 4-H Leaders' Forum - "We Are the Heart of WA 4-H"

Have you registered yet? The 2014 State 4-H Forum will be held **October 17-19** in Wenatchee, WA at the Coast Wenatchee Center Hotel. This year's Forum includes: **Friday** will be day-long track workshops, annual District meetings, and the Volunteer Recognition Banquet/Hall of Fame Induction. **Saturday** will feature lots of workshop sessions, silent auctions and the 4-H Charity Live Auction/Dinner. **Sunday** will be devoted to the 4-H Council Meeting, with District elections of State Advisory Board and State Fair Board representation and committee meetings to review recommendations and discuss project issues.

During the Forum, participants will have the opportunity to network with other volunteers, give input into the Washington State 4-H Program and hone skills through a variety of workshops. The forum website, <a href="http://4h.wsu.edu/conferences/Forum/index.htm">http://4h.wsu.edu/conferences/Forum/index.htm</a>, has complete registration details and workshop information. Early registration ends October 2 – register early to take advantage before the registration rate increases. Special room rates are available for Forum participants. Carpooling will be an option, so plan to go! Call the Extension office at 509-773-5817 for details.

# WSU Releases Online Food Preservation Course



**Preserve the Taste of Summer** is a series of eight online lessons for consumers who want to learn about food preservation and food safety as well as those who want to update their knowledge and skills.

Provided by WSU, the lessons cover the most current USDA approved food preservation recommendations. Topics include food safety, the basics of canning (pressure and boiling water), freezing, drying, as well as making fruit spreads and pickled foods. A certificate of completion is provided at the end of the course.

Visit <u>http://preservesummer.cahnrs.wsu.edu</u> to register for the online series. To participate, you will need a computer made in the last five years and have a stable internet connection. The cost for the series is \$25. Some counties are offering hands-on lessons for graduates of Preserve the Taste of Summer, so be sure to contact your local WSU Extension office for more information.

A version of this course and certification will also be offered on **Friday**, **October 17**<sup>th</sup> at the **4-H Forum in Wenatchee**. The \$25 fee will be waived for those registered for the Forum. For more information regarding the State 4-H Forum, visit <u>http://4h.wsu.edu/conferences/Forum/index.htm</u> and the workshop schedule for details.



# Oct. 11 Workshop - 4-H Records - Suggestions and Updating Record Book Pages

We need your input! There will be a 4-H Record Book Workshop on Saturday, October 11, 9am to noon, at the Goldendale Grange. Ideas for project records revisions and changes are requested – please come and provide your input on what worked with the revised project records and suggestions for improvements. Our goal is to make revisions to update any records and have them ready to distribute at 4-H Planning Day on November 1.

4-H members, leaders and parents are encouraged to attend to provide input on project record pages, ask questions, get some help with record book or market records, and learn some tips about where to put information. Have questions? Contact Lisa Harness at the Extension office, 509-773-5817.

#### Klickitat County 4-H Planning Day for 2014

Klickitat County 4-H Planning Day will be held **Saturday**, **November 1** from 9am to 3pm at the Goldendale Grange. Lunch will be provided. Registration will begin at 8:45am.

This is your opportunity to take an active role in planning our next 4-H year of activities. There will be opportunities for volunteer training that will benefit you as a volunteer and your success with your 4-H club. This is great way for you to get a part of your leader training hours and express your suggestions for changes and improvements for our 4-H program.

This is a very important event for planning our upcoming 4-H events and programs. Don't miss this day – come and connect with other leaders in our county as we bring together our passion for 4-H in Klickitat County! Mark your calendars for **Saturday, November 1** and join us! We look forward to seeing you there!

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#### 2014 Southeast District Teen Rally, November 7-9, hosted by Yakima County 4-H

"Come Squachin With Us In Yakima County!" is this year's Southeast District Teen Rally theme. The Southeast Teen Rally will be held November 7-9 at Camp Fife, Goose Prairie, WA and is hosted by Yakima County 4-H. Registration is open to ALL teens 7th-12th grade (4-H membership not necessary). Registration closes October 20th. Space is limited so register today!

Cost is \$75.00. Please complete Teen Rally Code of Conduct Form and parental consent forms from the 4-H State website, <u>http://4h.wsu.edu/members/rallydates.htm</u>. The SE District Teen Rally Registration Form is also available for download at the bottom of that page or is available at the local Extension office. For any questions, contact Yakima County 4-H at 509-574-1600.

#### Tentative Schedule:

Friday, Check in 6:00 pm-8:00 pm - Games, Crafts and Snacks

Saturday, Breakfast, Workshops, Lunch, Workshops, Snack, Group Activity, Dance, Games, Camp Fire Sunday, Breakfast, Pack & Clean-up, Elections, Closing Ceremony & Goodbyes.

## Klickitat County 4-H Calendar of Upcoming Events

#### **OCTOBER 2014**

4 Klickitat County 4-H Awards and Achievement Program, 5-7pm, Goldendale Grange (new hall)

- 5-11 NATIONAL 4-H WEEK!!
- 11 4-H Record Book Workshop for Project Record changes, 9am to noon, Goldendale Grange
- 13 4-H Family Living leaders meeting, 6:30pm, Goldendale Grange hall
- 16 4-H Horse Leaders Meeting, 6:30pm at Lyle Activity Center in Lyle, WA
- 21 Fair Board meeting, 6pm, Klickitat County Fairgrounds

4-H Leaders' Council Meeting, 4-H leader training at 6:30pm, meeting at 7pm, 4-H Room, KC Fairgrounds **NOVEMBER 2014** 

- 1 4-H Planning Day for Klickitat County 4-H Program
- 11 Veterans' Day Holiday County offices closed
- 18 Fair Board meeting, 6pm, Klickitat County Fairgrounds
- 20 Horse Leaders' Meeting, 6:30pm, Lyle
- 4-H Leaders' Council Meeting, 4-H leader training at 6:30pm, meeting at 7pm, 4-H Room, KC Fairgrounds
- 27, 28 Thanksgiving County offices closed

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