

# Lewis County 4-H E-Newsblast April 13, 2018

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**NEW ADDRESS!**

<http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/news/>

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4-H Pie Sale Fundraiser at Country Chicks Market,  
Volunteers and items needed

4-H Pie Sales at Fair

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## ATTACHMENTS:

Council meeting minutes from Feb.

Horse Advisory Group minutes from Feb.

Junior Livestock Sale Intent to Sell

Large Animal MOU

Small Animal MOU

Junior Livestock Sale Scholarship

Application – Due April 30

Junior Livestock Sale Brochure

Barn Bash Flyer- revised

WA State Sheep Producers

WA State Teen Summit

Lambing School

Pie Sale Signups! See Signup.com below

<https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/2287852/false#/invitation>

## What's up this month? Dates/Due Dates:

First Tuesdays of each month– with WSU Lewis County Extension Master Gardeners, Recyclers, and Composters at the Timberland Library in Salkum, 10 AM- 2 PM

## April

1\* All Lewis County 4-H Enrollments are \*DUE\*

11-22, 4-H Paper Clover Campaign at Tractor Supply Company, please contact the Store Manager, Tammi at 360-748-4327 to get your club a time slot to be at the store!

14 WSU Lewis Co. Master Gardeners, Growing Vegetables in Containers, 10 AM, Salkum Library Demo Garden

17, 4-H New Leader Training, 6-9 PM, WSU Lewis County Extension Office, Session #2

20 WSU 4-H Food Resource Leaders, 10am, Heritage Cooking, Borst Kitchen #2, \*\*Demo only

23, 4-H Council meeting, 7 PM, Historic Courthouse basement conf. room #003, 6 PM Pre-Council, Educational Posters

25, 4-H Horse Advisory Committee, 7 PM, Historic Courthouse basement conf. room #003, committee meetings at 6PM

25 WSU Lewis Co. Master Recycler Composters, Repair What You Wear: Seeds of Change, 6 PM, Fort Borst Park Kitchen #1

27-28 Country Chicks Spring Market 4-H Pie Sales, County-wide 4-H general fundraiser  
28 WSU Lewis Co. Master Gardeners, Beneficial Flowers: More than Just a Pretty Face, 10 AM,  
Salkum Library Demo Garden  
28 DEA Drug Takeback day, Count them, Lock them, drop them at several locations around the  
county (Morton PD 10-2)

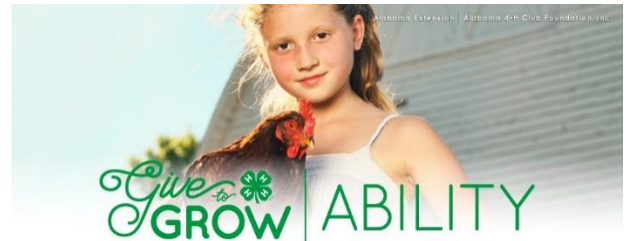
## **May**

1\* All Horse and Dairy Certificates are **\*DUE\***  
1 Swine, Lambs, Goats, Rabbits and Poultry Intent to Sell **\*DUE\*** to Junior Livestock Sale P.O. Box  
3 WSU Lewis Co. Master Recycler Composters, Worm Composting, 6 PM, Salkum Timberland Library  
3 Screenagers Film at the Roxy, Morton  
4-6 Spring Youth Fair  
5 WSU Lewis Co. Master Gardeners, Dividing, Planting, and Growing Dahlias, 10 AM, Fort Borst  
Demo Garden  
8 WSU Lewis Co. Master Recycler Composters, Do's, Don'ts & How to Recycle, 6 PM, Chehalis  
Timberland Library  
8, 4-H New Leader Training, 6-9 PM, WSU Lewis County Extension Office, Session #3  
9 Rx Presentation at Morton Senior Center, Noon  
10 WSU Lewis Co. Master Recycler Composters, Advanced Composting, 6 PM, Salkum Timberland  
Library  
12 Spring Festival & Craft Fair, 10 AM-3 PM, Seedpod Farm, 2330 Howard Ave., Centralia, WA 98531  
15, 4-H New Leader Training, 6-9 PM, WSU Lewis County Extension Office, Session #4  
16, 4-H Poultry Paint Night, 6-8:30 PM, cost \$35, Contact Peggy Hirte-Uhlorn for more information  
19 – 20, Sat 9-4/Sun 10-3, WSU Lewis Co. Master Gardeners Annual Plant Sale/Plant Pot Recycle,  
SW Washington Fairgrounds (Expo Hall)  
21, 4-H Trust Fund Scholarship Renewals DUE to the Extension Office  
21, 4-H Council meeting, 7 PM, Historic Courthouse basement conf. room #003, 6 PM Pre-Council-  
Teen Opportunities  
23, 4-H Horse Advisory Committee, 7 PM, Historic Courthouse basement conf. room #003, committee  
meetings at 6PM  
25 WSU 4-H Food Resource Leaders, Hands-on Water Bath Canning \*, 10 AM, Borst Kitchen #2  
**\*Registration Req.**  
28 WSU Lewis County Extension Office CLOSED in honor of Memorial Day  
29 Junior Livestock Sale Committee, Mandatory Meeting for all 1<sup>st</sup> time sellers and for those trying  
a new species, 6 PM, Southwest WA Fairgrounds, Community Events Bldg.

## **June**

1-2 Columbia River Poultry Exhibitors Spring Show in Canby, OR  
2 WSU Lewis Co. Master Gardeners, Confining your Gardens Exuberance: Corraling your Plants

10 AM, Salkum Library Demo Garden  
 3 Lambs and Goats weigh-in, 10-11 AM  
 3 Hogs weigh-in, 8 AM- 12 PM  
 4 Lewis County Trust meeting, 6 PM, Historic Courthouse basement meeting room #003  
 15-17 Next Level Swine Camp, please contact Barb Soto for more info  
 16 Southwest WA Fair Association Barn Dance, 7-11 PM  
 19 Mobile CSO Resource Fair and Car Seat Clinic in Morton 10-2 PM  
 23 WSU Lewis Co. Master Recycler Composters, Open House, Hands On Composting & Hugelkultur, 10 AM, Central Transfer Station, Centralia  
 27, 4-H Horse Advisory Committee, 7 PM, Historic Courthouse basement conf. room #003, committee meetings at 6PM  
 29 WSU 4-H Food Resource Leaders, Cooking for Outdoor Activities, 10 AM, Borst Kitchen #1\*\*Demo only



## Looking Ahead

- July 4 WSU Lewis County Extension Closed for Independence Day
- July 7 Beef ONLY – 2<sup>nd</sup> optional COURTESY weigh-in, 9-10 AM
- July 17 & 18 Educational Posters DUE for fair and help signing up for fair on-line
- July 20 4-H Food Resource Leaders, Dehydration, Borst Kitchen #2, \*\* Demo only
- July 28 WSU Master Gardeners, Care and Growing Hydrangeas, Providence Place Demo Garden, 10 AM
- 4-H Forum, Spokane, WA, October 19-21, 2018

\*Please call ahead for all classes/workshops put on by the 4-H FRL, MG, and MRC. Call the Extension Office for more info or reservations first and they will either take down your info or will let you know who/where to call.

\*\*Space limitations require pre-registration or to receive instructions for advance class preparation.  
 Master Gardeners =MG, Master Recycler Composters= MRC, 4-H Foods Resource Leaders= 4-H FRL

## E-mail and Mailings

## Lewis Co.

If you are sending an e-mail please put something regarding the manner of the e-mail in the subject line. This will help identify your e-mail and how important it is. *If an e-mail is sent out by list serve, **please do not** respond back to the list as **everyone** on the list will get the same e-mail.*

If you have moved, changed to a physical address, or a P.O. Box we need to know about it in the Extension office or if you enrolled with 4-H On line this year you can update family information through that system! Thank you for helping us in our efforts to streamline communication.

***Please welcome Julie Pirtle to the WSU Lewis County Extension Office as our new Office Manager!***

## 4-H Fees

Has your club or your club members all paid their 4-H Fees for the year? It is \$25 and DUE to the WSU Lewis County Extension office by Wed. April 25<sup>th</sup>.

Lewis County Know Your Government Youth and three other counties with very similar bills addressing adding hunter safety courses to high school curriculum as an elective celebrating having their bill passed into 4-H KYG Law!



## Scholarships!

Set Your Calendar:

### 2018 Scholarship Opportunities from American Jersey Cattle Association

Submitted by: Susan Kerr, Tues. News 10/17/17

The scholarship program of the American Jersey Cattle Association supports educational opportunities for Jersey youth enrolled in post-secondary institutions and also on-farm internships. Application forms for the next round of scholarship awards must be submitted to the AJCA office by email or in an envelope bearing a clearly visible, legible postmark on or before July 1. Transcripts and recommendation letters must be received on or before July 7. Application forms will be posted not later than May 1, 2018. For more information, visit [https:// www.usjersey.com/AJCA-NAJ-JMS/AJCA/YouthPrograms/YouthScholarshipsandEducationalPrograms.aspx](https://www.usjersey.com/AJCA-NAJ-JMS/AJCA/YouthPrograms/YouthScholarshipsandEducationalPrograms.aspx)

## 4-H New Leader Training for Spring

New Leader Training in the spring is in four parts. All new leaders need to take all four sections. Each section will be on a Tuesday night from 6-9 PM in the WSU Lewis County Extension Office. The dates are April 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, May 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. Please RSVP with Pam at 360-740-1220, for your seat in class no later than Thursday April 5<sup>th</sup>. If there are less than five people the training may be postponed until the fall class. If you only have part of training to finish please call at least 3 days in advance of the session you will attend or no one may be there to lead the training.

**Spring Youth Fair May 4-6, 2018- Donna Sorenson, still life 360-748-8984 it comes in Tues. Night the 1st, 4-8 PM in the evening, anything canned or created after youth fair last year is fine.**

**Find Spring Youth Fair information online at [www.springyouthfair.org](http://www.springyouthfair.org)**

***Spring Youth Fair is not associated with 4-H in any way.***

## **Washington Rabbit Owners - be aware of deadly rabbit virus reported in British Columbia**

Posted: 19 Mar 2018 03:09 PM PDT

Dr. Lyndon Badcoe  
Animal Health Program,  
Field veterinarian

A deadly virus that infects both domestic and feral European rabbits has been detected in British Columbia, and is good reason for owners of rabbits or fair managers with rabbit shows to take extra precautions this year. It is not known how this new rabbit hemorrhagic disease (RHD) serotype virus 2 would affect native North American wild rabbits.

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) reported the detection of rabbit hemorrhagic disease (RHD) serotype virus 2, or RHDV2, on March 8. Rabbit deaths were reported on Vancouver Island, and there are tests in progress to determine if this disease has spread to the Canadian mainland. Officials in Canada are currently reviewing a vaccine for RHDV2, but there is no vaccine available in the U.S.

Rabbit hemorrhagic disease, or RHD, is easily spread among rabbits, causes a high rate of infection and death, and the agent (calicivirus) is very stable in the environment. The first signs of the disease can take up to nine days following infection, but affected rabbits can also develop a fever and die within 12 to 36 hours.

European rabbits have been shown to be affected by RHD and are the type of rabbit most commonly used as show animals by 4H, FFA and other hobby groups. The rabbits that died in British Columbia were European rabbits that had gone feral. It is not known how the virus would affect native North American rabbits, which are typically cottontail and jack rabbits.

Protecting your rabbit

Since there are no vaccines currently available in the U.S. for the virus, the best way to protect your rabbits is by practicing good biosecurity, including good sanitation and disinfection, and keeping new rabbits separated from your existing flock.

With fairs, shows and exhibitions coming up soon, there is always the concern that someone could bring an infected rabbit from an area where the disease has been reported.

Remember that a certificate of veterinary inspection must accompany all animals entering Washington State, including rabbits.

Rabbits can shed the virus in urine or feces for as long as four weeks after infection. It can be spread on contaminated food, bedding, fur and water, or by direct contact with infected animals or contaminated objects. Rabbits can become infected through oral, nasal, or conjunctival routes in the eyes.

While the disease does not affect humans, it can be spread through contaminated clothing or vehicles, or other animal handling equipment. Biting insects, birds, rodents, and wild animals can also spread the virus. The virus can survive for long periods of time in the environment and remain infectious to animals.

Signs of infection in rabbits include: Listlessness, Lack of appetite, Congested membranes around the eyes, Nervousness, Lack of coordination, Excitement or paddling, Difficulty breathing, Blood-stained, frothy nasal discharge upon death



If you notice any of the symptoms listed above, contact your veterinarian. Rabbit hemorrhagic disease must be reported to state or federal authorities immediately upon diagnosis or suspicion of the disease.

To report a diagnosis or an unexplained increase in deaths among rabbits, you can contact WSDA at 360-902-1878 or 1-800-606-3056. Wild rabbit die-offs can be reported at [wildlife.health@dfw.wa.gov](mailto:wildlife.health@dfw.wa.gov) or by visiting MailScanner has detected this link actually points to "urldefense.proofpoint.com" but claims to point to [www.wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/health](http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/health) to file a report online.

Rabbit hemorrhagic disease in the RHD form has occurred in the U.S. before, back in 2000 in Iowa and in 2001 in Michigan, New York and Utah. However, the outbreaks were restricted to small groups of affected rabbits. RHDV2 has never been reported in the U.S.

## **4-H Pie Sales at the Country Chicks Market April 27 & 28**

### **Volunteers are needed**

We need volunteers to help with set up on Thursday, April. 36<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 PM.

We need to be ready to start selling early in the AM on Friday the 27<sup>th</sup>. Nothing like a piece of warm pie to start the day with. We will need volunteers all day Friday and Saturday we need at least three in the kitchen and we can use lots of pie bakers to work the crowd. If you will be working the fundraiser please try to have a current food handler card and bring it with you or have it on your cellphone.

Go to the address below for signup.com to pick your time to come help!

<https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/2287852/false#/invitation> If spots are filled during the time that you can come just email me (Barb Soto) so we can get it all covered. If you know people that can help share this with them. Also, use your social media to get us help! Remember, helping is not just time, we will need supplies for signs and sales. So if you can't give us time please check our list of needed items and see if there might be something you can help with.

This is a general, all Council fundraiser!

## **4-H Pie Sales at Fair**

Council is in need of a new person/manager for the pie sale at fair. If interested please contact one of the Council officers or your District Representative or come visit us at a Council meeting.

### **Barn Bash, June 16th**

**There will be a silent auction table for adults and one for youth at the Barn Bash. We are looking for baskets or items from EACH 4-H Club for these tables. The proceeds from this event will go toward enhancing the premiums for the youth exhibitors at the Southwest Washington Fair.**



## EXCELLENT RESOURCE FOR GOAT PROJECT YOUTH

- Submitted by Susan Kerr, DVM, PhD, PAS

Here is a terrific website for goat project youth! They should especially enjoy the animations on this site.

The website is devoted to the interesting and often unique biology of the goat and the organisms that call the goat their home. Find more at

<http://www.goatbiology.com/index.html>

## WAHKIAKUM COUNTY EXTENSION LAMBING MANAGEMENT SCHOOL

- Submitted by Susan Kerr, DVM, PhD, PAS

WSU Wahkiakum County Extension is hosting Spring Lambing Management School on May 11th or 12th at Little Barn Farm in Cathlamet. See the event flyer attached to this newsletter for more details and registration information. Questions? Call 360-795-3278 or 360-849-4353 or email [kandofarm@gmail.com](mailto:kandofarm@gmail.com)

## 4-H Teen Summit 2018

Thank you for being patient with us as we figured out details for this year's Teen Summit! I am happy to announce that our State Ambassadors will be hosting Teen Summit again. The dates for summit are June 29<sup>th</sup>-July 1<sup>st</sup> and it will be hosted at Lazy F Campground in Ellensburg WA.

Attached to this email is a flyer that our State Ambassadors have put together to spread the word about this event. Please send it out to all your County Youth that are eligible to attend.

More information about registration will come out in the weeks to follow, so keep your eyes open for that information. In the meantime, if you have any questions please feel free to reach out to me.

Best,

Alex Laughery

## Pilot Clubs Needed for Biosecurity Curriculum

Hello everyone – We are looking still for youth and adults to pilot a new online peer-reviewed biosecurity curriculum. This curriculum is a product of large multi-university, 5-year USDA grant project called “A Human Behavioral Approach to Reducing the Impact of Livestock Pest or Disease Incursions of Socio-Economic Importance.” Although many activities being conducted as part of this grant, our committee is charged with developing this biosecurity curriculum for youth.

There are 2 modules (or Learning Objects) ready for piloting. The final curriculum will have 5 modules designed for youth in grades 6-12. Youth do not have to be enrolled in 4-H or FFA to use these materials; everyone is welcome. The modules focus on cattle (dairy and beef), sheep, goats, and pigs, but the principles are applicable to all animal species.

The modules and evaluations are available at [MailScanner has detected a possible fraud attempt from "urldefense.proofpoint.com" claiming to be http://dev.wisc-online.com/prototypes/biosecPreview/biosecModules.html](http://dev.wisc-online.com/prototypes/biosecPreview/biosecModules.html) . Please have individual or groups of youth pilot both modules then complete the evaluations. Each module should take youth 30-60 minutes to complete. Same instructions for adults, but you will note there is a separate evaluation for them to do; it is also at that URL.

There is no maximum or minimum number of reviewers or pilots per site. NOTE: LO#1 IS SOMETIMES NOT COMPATIBLE WITH SAFARI. Also, the modules were designed for use on desktops, laptops and tablets, not Blackberrys or smart phones.

*Many thanks, best wishes, and please contact me* if you have any questions about the piloting process. Thank you for helping us create an effective and enjoyable way to learn about keeping animals healthy!

p.s. 4-H/FFA YOUTH PILOTING THIS CURRICULUM CAN/SHOULD INCLUDE THIS EXPERIENCE IN THEIR RECORD BOOKS to document engagement with a national service learning opportunity! ☺

Hi – please share the link below widely and encourage 4-Hers to participate. Also, if anyone is connected with home school associations, would you please forward this opportunity to them? Thanks!

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**4-H Mall is Now Shop 4-H! You can shop by going to <https://shop4-h.org/>  
Find all of your 4-H items like:**

- [Curriculum](#)
- [Apparel & Accessories](#)
- [4-H Essentials](#)
- [Pins & Recognition](#)
- [New & Best Sellers](#)

Sales weekly and flash sales a few times a month. If you are thinking 4-H for the holidays sign up for their e-mail alerts or follow them on Facebook.

## **Wanted - Lewis County State 4-H Fair Coordinator**

The WSU Lewis County 4-H Program is in need of a State 4-H Fair Coordinator or co-coordinators. One, two, or three people to work together with other departments, focusing on the still-life building area to coordinate items, contests and activities in preparation for the WA State 4-H Fair. Tasks include, but are not limited to, the ability to work with youth and adults, able to plan and follow through on deadlines and work completion, able to organize and correctly prepare information, able to communicate effectively via phone and email, and have a working knowledge of how fairs function in general. Most duties would take place in August and September. Please talk to Pam Watson if you would be interested in this volunteer position or have questions.

## **Horses**

**Next 4-H Horse Advisory meeting will be Wed. April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018, at 7 PM in the Lewis County Conference room #003**

**Clinics will start in late June or early July, stay tuned**

**Ethel Events Center Game Show Series – starts at 10 AM on all dates, April 21, last one**

## **HAIRY HORSE SHOW BUCKLE SERIES - March, May & June**

The Grays Harbor 4-H Horse Council presents the 2018 Hairy Horse Show Buckle Series, March 31, May 12,



and June 16 (rescheduled from February) at the Grays Harbor County Fairgrounds in Elma. Please note that it is a Grays Harbor 4-H requirement for all horse/rider combinations to successfully complete one clinic prior to exhibiting at the Grays Harbor County Fair. The Hairy Horse Shows are considered clinics.

Visit <http://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/4-h-project-specific-materials/> for class list and registration form. Please note there is an early bird registration discount available, see registration form for complete details.

## SAVE THE DATE FOR 4-H HORSE CAMP

Submitted by: Kathy Fuller, Mason County Extension

Mason County 4-H is gearing up for another outstanding 4-H Horse Camp to be held June 17 – 23 and all Washington State 4-H Horsemanship project members are invited! Members enjoy a week of equitation, showmanship and western games classes, trail rides, craft projects, and fun outdoor activities. Camp is held at beautiful Panhandle Lake 4-H Camp, a 400 acre tree farm located just outside of Shelton Washington. Panhandle amenities include modern dormitories, a 38 stall barn, riding arena, miles of trails, commercial kitchen and dining hall, a rustic lodge and beautiful lake-front areas for swimming. Please save the date and consider joining us for a week of fun and learning with your horse. Camp will be limited to the first 30 registered campers. Cost \$160. Registrations available in March.

For additional information contact Camp Director Melissa Seals at 360-280-5458,

4-H Program Coordinator Kathy Fuller at 360-427-9670 Ext 681 [fuller@wsu.edu](mailto:fuller@wsu.edu)

or visit us at <http://extension.wsu.edu/mason/4-h-youth-families/>

View the flyer at: <http://extension.wsu.edu/mason/2018/01/4-h-horse-camp/>

## What 4-H Age Division Are Your Kids for 2017-2018?

The following policy is a change and was published in our newest WSU 4-H Policy guide in Oct. 2016. Please read this and make sure your members are in the correct age division for this year.

*3.1. Age Requirements The WSU Extension 4-H Youth Development Program abides by the nondiscrimination policies of WSU and the USDA. 4-H is open to all youth between the ages five (5) and nineteen (19) (4-H Age), regardless of race; sex/gender; sexual orientation; gender identity/expression; religion; age; color; creed; national or ethnic origin; physical, mental, or sensory disability, including disability requiring the use of a trained service animal; genetic information; and/or status as an honorably discharged veteran or member of the military as determined by the following age criteria:*

- **4-H Age is determined by October 1st of the current 4-H year.**
- **Youth who have reached their 5th birthday (before October 1st of the current 4-H year), through those who have not reached their 19th birthday (before October 1st of the current 4-H year).**
- *The following groups are identified for special programs and activity participation, including all competitive events/activities, within the WSU Extension 4-H Youth Development Program:*

**Cloverbuds (formerly Primaries): 5 to 7 years of age**

**Junior: 8 (and completed 3rd grade, by fair time) to 10 years of age**

**Intermediate: 11 to 13 years of age**

**Senior: 14 to less than 19 years of age**



*Our county is partnering with our neighboring counties—the Constellation group of Mason, Pacific, Grays Harbor, Thurston, Cowlitz, and Wahkiakum to send out e-newsletters. Some articles are from the other counties but have information that also apply to Lewis or it might be an invitation to participate in an event, some are from State 4-H and some are specific to Lewis County, please read carefully. "Some of these notices are provided for informational purposes only, and do not imply any endorsement of a particular brand or product."*

*Disclaimer: By posting the above "free to a good home" information, WSU Lewis County Extension 4-H does not endorse or give approval for any of these free animals to be used as 4-H project animals. Contact the animal owners at your own risk.*

*Cooperating agencies: Washington State University, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Lewis County Extension programs and employment are available to all without discrimination. Evidence of noncompliance may be reported to your local Extension Office.*