

WSU Extension Grays Harbor County 4-H Youth Development
News for February 7, 2018

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IMPORTANT DATES More events and info on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/graysharbor4h/>

Feb 13 Discover 4-H Community Program, WSU Extension Office, Elma, 4:30 – 5:30pm

Feb 12 GH 4-H Council Meeting, Elma, 6pm

Feb 18 GH 4-H Camp Counselor Training, WSU Extension Office, Elma, 9am – 5pm

Feb 19 WSU Extension Office closed in observance of Presidents' Day

Feb 19 Grant Applications Due for Dairy Endowment - Youth Calf Sale

Feb 20 Early Registration Due for Hairy Horse Show Clinic (1 of 3)

Feb 21 GHC Fair Volunteer Meeting, hosted by GHC Fairboard, Mike Murphy Pavilion, 6:30pm

Feb 24 GH 4-H Horse Council Presents Hairy Horse Show Clinic (1 of 3)

Mar 1 Scholarship Applications Due for Dairy Endowment

Mar 5 GH 4-H Horse Council Meeting, Elma, 6:30pm

Mar 9 Registration Due for WSU/UI Youth Beef Field Day, Lewiston, ID

Mar 12 GH 4-H Council Executive Board Meeting, Elma, 6pm

Mar 16 Registration Due for WSU/UI Youth Swine Field Day, Asotin, WA

Mar 17 Springtime Youth Calf Sale, Evergreen State Fairgrounds, Monroe

Mar 17 WSU/UI Youth Beef Field Day, Lewiston Livestock Market in Lewiston, ID

Mar 18 GH 4-H Camp Committee Meeting, WSU Extension Office, Elma, 2– 4pm

Mar 24 WSU/UI Youth Swine Field Day, Asotin County Fairgrounds, Asotin, WA

Mar 26 Early Registration Due for Hairy Horse Show Clinic (2 of 3)

Mar 31 GH 4-H Horse Council Presents Hairy Horse Show Clinic (2 of 3)

DISCOVER 4-H COMMUNITY PROGRAM

A new fun and free 4-H program continues next week. The Discover 4-H series is designed to give families a glimpse of what 4-H has to offer youth in our community. Join the fun on Tuesday, February 13 at the WSU Extension Office in Elma (on the Grays Harbor County Fairgrounds) from 4:30 – 5:30. Please share this information with your friends and neighbors. Contact Tracie if you have questions.

PUBLIC PRESENTATION & RECORD BOOK WORKSHOPS

If you are looking for tips, tricks, and advice for your Public Presentation or 4-H Record Book please join veteran 4-H members and volunteers for three fun and interactive workshops that will help you get started on your projects. You can be that 4-H member with a knock their socks off presentation and an impressive record book! Workshops are scheduled for February 21, and March 14 from 6:00 – 7:00pm at Veteran's Memorial Hall 210 W Franklin Street. More information at <http://extension.wsu.edu/mason/2018/01/workshops/>.

HAIRY HORSE SHOW BUCKLE SERIES

The Grays Harbor 4-H Horse Council presents the 2018 Hairy Horse Show Buckle Series February 24, March 31, and May 12 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.

JOANN STORES PARTNER WITH 4-H ACROSS THE NATION

We may not have a JOANN's store here in our community, but that does not mean you can't help support 4-H programs when you visit their stores. You can help two ways:

1. The new 4-H Rewards Card is here! Stop by any JOANN Fabric and Craft Store now to sign up for free & receive 15% off your purchases. It's a great way to shop with purpose & give back to 4-H!
2. Visit any JOANN store in the month of February and purchase a Paper Clover. You will have the choice of purchasing either a \$1 or \$4 Paper Clover. Customers purchasing a \$4 Paper Clover will receive a coupon for \$4 off their next visit.

You may also want to enter the 4-H and JOANN Stores Fashion Contest. To enter, upload up to five photos with an explanation of the outfit you made, construction methods, the purpose of the outfit and what items worn or displayed in the photo are purchased, if any. Entrants must be ages 14-19 and enrolled in a 4-H program. Up to five finalists will be selected, whose photos will be posted on the JOANN Fabric and Crafts Instagram site from March 2-13 for public voting. For additional information, please see the [official contest rules](#).

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 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/>

SAVE THE DATES: YOUTH BEEF AND SWINE FIELD DAYS

Submitted by: Janet Schmidt, Whitman County Extension

All interested 4-H and FFA youth and adults are invited to participate in the Youth Beef and Swine Field Days hosted by WSU and University of Idaho Extension. The WSU/UI Youth Beef Field Day is scheduled for Saturday, March 17, 2018, at the Lewiston Livestock Market in Lewiston, ID. Topics for the day include: health care, selection, feeding and nutrition, low stress handling, calculating yield grade using an app, quality assurance, judging and fitting and clipping demonstration. The registration fee of \$8 per person is due by March 9. Note that registration is capped at 100 participants so sign up soon! The registration fee includes lunch and handout materials.

The WSU/UI Youth Swine Field Day will be held on Saturday, March 24, 2018, at the Asotin County Fairgrounds in Asotin, WA. Topics for the swine field day include: selection and trends, low stress handling, nutrition, health care, quiz bowl, recording keeping using an app, and Fitting and Showing demonstration. The registration fee of \$8 per person is due by March 16. Note that registration is capped at 100 participants so sign up soon! The registration fee includes lunch and handout materials.

Both of these field days provide hands-on activities for youth so they will learn skills to experience a fun and successful market animal project. This will be one of the best opportunities for the year so register early to guarantee your participation. Enrollment forms for both field days are available on-line at: <http://extension.wsu.edu/asotin>.

For questions contact Mark Heitstuman, WSU Asotin/Garfield County Extension Director, 509.243.2009, heitstuman@wsu.edu; or Janet Schmidt, WSU Whitman County Extension Director, 509.397.6290, schmidtj@wsu.edu or Kathee Tifft, University of Idaho Nez Perce County Extension Director, 208.799.3096, ktifft@uidaho.edu. Extension programs and opportunities are available to all without discrimination. Persons with disabilities who require accommodations need to contact 208.799.3096, at least two weeks prior to the program

WASHINGTON STATE 4-H SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

You will find that all 4-H scholarships have been consolidated for 2018 at <http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/scholarship-opportunities/> and there will be one 4-H scholarship application through 4HOnline.

The application opens January 1st, and is due March 15th at 9:59pm. Washington State 4-H is pleased to offer a number of different scholarships. Current and former Washington State 4-H members are eligible to apply. Applicants must have accumulated at least two years of 4-H affiliation. Previous Washington State 4-H scholarship recipients are not eligible to apply. Applicants must be a senior attending an accredited two or four-year college or university in the fall.

VOLUNTEER HOURS

If you participated in the Grays Harbor Fair, a 4-H meeting, camp, or helped a member with their project you must report these hours. Reporting of volunteer hour's documents coverage for injuries they might sustain and it is also documentation for the liability coverage WSU provides to its volunteers. All WSU Extension Volunteers must log on to <http://ext.wsu.edu/Volunteers/logon.aspx> each month to report hours they worked for any WSU Extension program. Your user name will be your last name and first initial, such as "HansonT" and your initial password is password! (all lower case and include the exclamation point!) Once you log in you will have the option to change your password. For additional information visit the [Reporting Your Volunteer Hours](#) page on our website or contact Tracie 360-482-2934 or tracie.hanson@wsu.edu if you need assistance.

4-H teaches life skills that lead young people to become self-directing, positive, contributing members of our society. Extension programs are available to all without discrimination. Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through your local Extension office. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication or program information or reasonable accommodation need to contact Tracie Hanson at PO Box 3018, Elma, WA 98541, (360)482-2934, tracie.hanson@wsu.edu at least two weeks prior to the event.

Our county is partnering with neighboring counties—the Constellation group of Mason, Pacific, Lewis, Thurston, etc., to send out e-newsletters. Some articles are from other counties, and include helpful information or invitations to participate in local, regional, or statewide events. Please read carefully.

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Disclaimer: By posting the above "free to a good home" information, WSU Grays Harbor 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 Grays Harbor County Extension.

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