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## 4-H MEMBER ENROLLMENT FEE UPDATE

The WA State 4-H Program recently announced that youth members of all counties would be assessed a \$25.00 fee beginning October 1, 2017. This fee is only for youth members, not adult volunteers. This fee will cover safety and risk management procedures including insurance for all members, marketing, and volunteer and staff support.

If the fee is not a financial burden, families can pay during enrollment by card through 4HOnline or by check through the 4-H office.

No child will be denied access to membership because of inability to pay. We are committed to working with clubs to provide multiple options to support those who need assistance. For example:

- Clubs may support members, in part or full, with fees. If your club does not have available funding from the last 4-H year, please contact the office to receive a deferment until your next fundraising activity is complete.
- Clubs without a treasury may coordinate with another 4-H club who does, the Yakima County Council or their area council to fundraise together as long as all donations are handled and maintained by the entity with an EIN, Treasurer, and dedicated club/organization bank account.
- Clubs may create equitable systems for reimbursement (e.g., Families pay the fee, but the club reimburses members who complete the 4-H year, i.e., do a demonstration, keep a

- record book, participate in a judging event, attend \_\_% of meetings, enter their project at the fair, etc.).
- For youth with market projects, payment may be deferred until after the sale.
- Leaders or parents may request sponsorships for youth from the 4-H office. Office staff will coordinate with the Yakima County 4-H Council to access funding from the Yakima County 4-H Benefactor Fund. Please respect the privacy of your members and their families by not sharing with the club who needs assistance. No one in your club or office should ask why a family needs assistance or record the member/s name in the Treasurer/Secretary records. Youth receiving sponsorship should select payment by check on 4HOnline.

**THANK YOU** to our current Yakima County 4-H Benefactor fund donors, many of whom have recently donated sponsorship funds for 4-H youth in need of support.

Alison White; Bonnie Abercrombie; Callipyge Genetics, LLC, Frank & Kathi Hendrix; Cathy & Willard Mears; Diane Jones; Firewater Ranch, Martinez Family; Frosty Packing Col, LLC, Trent Marquis; Gina Ord; Jenny Loyd; John I Hass, Inc; Long Ranch, Gary & Nancy Long; Maravell Gonsioroski; Ron & Kay Gamache; Sam & Sandi Hull; SKD Farms, Kevin & Renee Bouchey; Yakima Pomona Grange #19; Yakima Valley Fair & Rodeo.



# 4-H PROJECT COSTUME CONTEST

What better way to welcome fall and the beginning of the 4-H year than with kids and their project animals.

Let's have a costume contest for the month of

## October!

4-H members and animal dress up at home, snap a photo, and email it or drop the photo off at the extension office!

What a fun way to interact with your project!

A prize will be given out to each age division: Cloverbuds ages 5-7, Junior ages 8-10, Intermediate ages 11-13, Senior ages 14-18.

Contest starts October 1 and ends October 31. Please submit photos by October 31, 5:00 pm to the <a href="mailto:yakima.4h@wsu.edu">yakima.4h@wsu.edu</a> or drop off at 2403 S 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 100, Union Gap. Winner of each age division will be announced the first week of October and winning photos will be displayed at the Annual Fall Awards Celebration on November 4.

Please contact Bonnie or Jenny at 574-1600.

## 4-H ENROLLMENT YEAR 2016-2017

The new 4-H year starts October 1. Every family will be inputting their own enrollments into the 4-H Online program. If you were enrolled last year, you already have a profile created. Do not select "Setup a new account" if you were already enrolled in 4-H, it will create duplicate entries.

Follow these steps for an existing or reenrolling family for enrollment.

- 1. Go to https://wa.4honline.com.
- 2. Select: "I have a profile"
- 3. Enter the email (that hopefully matches the one on your family record), if you have problems here, please contact Bonnie 574- 1600. If the email you are inputting in does not match the email on record you cannot go any further in the enrollment process, until it is corrected on-line, or you will create a duplicate entry. Duplicate entries will be deleted and you will need to input the information in again.

## 4-H CLUB NEWS

## **CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION**

It's time to say "Thank you" to all the individuals and businesses who've helped, donated time, or sponsored your club and/or event. Please send your list to Bonnie at the Extension office, so they may be invited to the Leader Luncheon and receive a Certificate of Appreciation for their support of 4-H. Due in Extension office October 25.

## **CLUB AWARDS APPLICATIONS**

Many of your clubs have contributed a great deal to our community or to furthering project work in home economics or agriculture. Perhaps your club would like to apply this year. Traveling trophies are waiting to be awarded to deserving clubs. Applications are due in the Extension office by October 25. All award forms are available to

download at: <a href="http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/4-h-forms/">http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/4-h-forms/</a>

- Toppenish Rotary Club Trophy for Livestock and Home Economics,
- > Inez Walter Perpetual Traveling Trophy,
- Lew Evans Memorial Trophy,
- Outstanding First Year Club,
- > Leader of the Year Nominations,
- > I Dare You Leadership Award & Scholarship
- Year-end Outstanding County Equine Participant, Horse & Horseless Members
- Recommendation for Honorary Leader (all retired 4-H leaders are eligible)
- Certifications of Appreciation to 4-H Volunteers, Individuals/Business who supported 4-H events

# **COUNTY NEWS**

## 4-H COUNCIL MEETING AND AWARDS LUNCHEON

you're invited

This year's Awards Luncheon will be held at Buena Grange, 170

Highland Dr., Buena, WA on November 4. The fall 4-H Council meeting will be held at 10:00 am. All Honorary Leaders are invited to attend the Honorary Leaders' meeting at 11:00 am. The Award Luncheon will be at noon and is sponsored by Pacific Power & Light and Pomona Granges.

All 4-H leaders, members and families are invited to attend the meeting and luncheon, there's no cost to attend and dine. Youth presentations will be given and nomination of officers will be held.

During the luncheon a silent auction will be held. See you at the Luncheon, November 4!

Remember to send in your nominations for club awards, youth awards, volunteer awards and certificates of appreciation to the Extension Office before October 25.

# **TEEN NEWS**

## \*\*\* NEW 4-H COUNTY TEEN CLUB \*\*\*

All 4-H teens 13-18 years of age are invited to join the new 4-H Yakima County Teen Club. Come join the fun at Nob Hill Bowling and bring a friend!

October 15, 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm. There will be bowling, pizza, and lots of fun. No cost, just a fun time! See you Sunday, October 15!

## **4-H YOUTH IN ACTION AWARDS**

Every 4-H'er has a story, and every story is worth telling!

The 4-H Youth in Action Awards Program is a premier opportunity for your students to share their stories of how 4-H has changed their lives and how they have, in turn, impacted others. Through this program, four confident leaders will each receive:

- \$5,000 scholarship
- An all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C.
- The chance to tell their stories on a national level.

Pillar winners will have the chance to interact with National 4-H Council CEO Jennifer Sirangelo as well as celebrities and other prominent 4-H alumni. Through a formal selection process, one winner will be chosen in each pillar area: Agriculture, Citizenship, Healthy Living and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics). One of these pillar winners will also be selected as the 2018 4-H Youth in Action National Award Winner.

Applicants for the 4-H Youth in Action Awards should be 4-H'ers or recent alumni ages 16-19, and the program is open to youth of all types of 4-H programs.

Applications are due October 23, 2017! http://4-h.org/parents/4-h-youth-in-action/

# **PROJECT NEWS**

## **4-H RECORD BOOK JUDGING**

Don't forget to finish up your Record Books and turn them into the Extension office by October 25, in order to be considered for Medal of Honor and Completion Judging. Club leaders need to complete the form to nominate your members for this award. Forms are available in the Extension office and on the Yakima County 4-H website under forms and Record Book Information.

## FAIR / SHOW NEWS

# CENTRAL WASHINGTON JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW, RULE CHANGE

Please pass on this rule change to 4-H members, leaders, volunteers and parents. CWJLS Rule 5 C now reads: (C) Animals must be under the care and management of the exhibitor for the following time prior to the fair: Beef — 120 days, Swine 90 days, Lambs — 60 days And the Exhibitor must have the proper paperwork from the County/State that the exhibitor resides in. The animal has to reside in the same county as the exhibitor. Furthermore, final decisions on this topic will be at the discretion of show management.

# **STATE NEWS**



### **STATE 4-H FORUM**

Thurston County invites you to "Make a Splash" at the 2017 Forum at the Great Wolf Lodge, Grand Mound.

WA, October 20-22, 2017.

Forum is a great opportunity for Teen and Adult leaders to build friendships, skills, and knowledge across the state: two days of workshops, awards, speakers, and the Washington State 4-H Council. Many workshop topics: Becoming a Poultry Judge, Successful Camps, Bees, Painted Ladybugs, Know Your Government, Animal Topics, Giving Presentations, STEM Robotics and many more.

This year the event is hosted at the Great Wolf Lodge, and rooms will include passes for your families and club members at the event!

All the latest announcements can be found at the Washington State 4-H Forum facebook page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/WashingtonState4HForum/">https://www.facebook.com/WashingtonState4HForum/</a> or website: <a href="http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/for-volunteers/washington-state-4-h-forum/">http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/for-volunteers/washington-state-4-h-forum/</a>

#### **RESOURCES:**

State 4-H Website:

http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/

Yakima County WSU Extension Website: http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/

Yakima County 4-H Websites: http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/

http://www.facebook.com/YakimaCounty4H



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DATES TO REMEMBER		
OCTOBER 2017		
Sept 22- Oct 1	- Central Washington State Fair, Yakima Fairgrounds	http://www.fairfun.com
1	Start of New 4-H Enrollment Year, https://www.4honline.com/	
10	6:30 Horse Council Meeting, Riverridge Restaurant, Selah	Kim Lansing 539-0247
12	7:00 PM, West Valley Fair Mtg., West Valley Fire Station, 10000 Zier Rd., Yakima	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
15		://ext.wsu.edu/Volunteers/logon.aspx
19	All club and Leader Awards Applications due to Extension Office	Bonnie Abercrombie 574-1600
20	Please submit your club news to Extension office, <u>Yakima.4h@wsu.edu</u> , 574-1601	Bonnie Abercrombie 574-1600
20-22	State 4-H Forum, Great Wolf Lodge, Grand Mound, WA <a href="http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/for-volunteers/washington-state-4-h-forum/">http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/for-volunteers/washington-state-4-h-forum/</a>	
23	4-H Youth in Action Awards Applications due <a href="http://4-h.org/parents/4-h-youth-in-action/">http://4-h.org/parents/4-h-youth-in-action/</a>	
23	6:30 PM, YVF&R Meeting, Grandview Livestock Building, 812 Wallace Way, Grandview	Yvonne Graham 305-1871
23	4-H Record Book Medal of Honor & Completion Books due to Extension office	Bonnie Abercrombie 574-1600
26	7:00 PM, On-line session, 4-H Archery & Riflery Instructor Training, <a href="http://www.signupger">http://www.signupger</a>	nius.com/go/10c0d4caca62fa3f85-fall1
28	9:00 AM-5:00 PM, Riflery, 4-H Archery & Riflery Instructor Training, Mt. Vernon <a href="http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4caca62fa3f85-fall1">http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4caca62fa3f85-fall1</a>	
29	9:00 AM-5:00 PM, Archery, 4-H Archery & Riflery Instructor Training, Mt. Vernon, <a href="http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4caca62fa3f85-fall1">http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4caca62fa3f85-fall1</a>	
NOVEMBER 2017		
4	10:00 AM, Annual Meeting and Awards Celebration, Buena Grange, 170 Highland Dr, Bu	lena, WA Jenny Loyd 574-1600
4	11:00 AM, Annual Meeting Honorary Leaders, Buena Grange, 170 Highland Dr, Buena, V	VA Jenny Loyd 574-1600
4	Noon, Annual Awards Celebration, Buena Grange, 170 Highland Dr., Buena, WA	Bonnie Abercrombie 574-1600
10	Veteran's Day, Extension office closed	
15	Report October's Volunteer Hours	