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ZOOM’S GOT TALENT – WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2!

THE RESULTS ARE IN!
The Winners of “Zoom’s Got Talent” - September 2, 2020

First Place
Colton Nussbaum, Pacific County
Music Mixing/Songwriting — Original Song, “Save Me”

Second Place
Lane Lloyd, Skagit County
Guitar Solo — “Living After Midnight,” by Judas Priest

Third Place
Cassis Jakobsen, King County
Violin Solo — “Never Enough,” by Lauren Alfred

Honorable Mentions
Raya Jakobsen, Snohomish County — Solo, “Rolling in the Deep,” by Adele
Melissa Bineau, Ferry County — Original Poetry, “Memories”
Peyton Distad, Pend Oreille County — Original Art, “My Paintings”

That’s Not All, Folks! More Zoom Talent to Come — Stay Tuned!

WSU Extension programs, employment, and volunteer service are available to all without discrimination. (See WSU Executive Policy #15). Concerns regarding potential discrimination may be reported through your local Extension office or directly to the WSU Office of Civil Right Compliance & Investigation (CRCI), web: crcl.wsu.edu, email: crci@wsu.edu, phone: 509-335-8288.
Youth Participation Requested!!
Survey of Youth and Animal Interaction During COVID-19

We want to know more about how young people are spending their time during social isolation from COVID-19, especially when it comes to youth and animals! Please consider asking youth age 7-18 in your household to complete this brief survey.

https://wsu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8AD7icrMp6v9WMR
“On Target Tuesdays” Workshops Coming – Starting In October!

IMPORTANT REMINDER Regarding WSU Extension Adult/Youth Interactions during COVID-19

As we are all in communication via technology with youth at this time, I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone of WSU Extension’s policy on interactions. Under this policy, AT NO TIME should one adult be meeting or communicating with youth WITHOUT the presence of another adult. This policy pertains to Zoom conferences, telephone conversations, text messages, social media posts, etc. To facilitate communication, make certain to cc another adult on written communications, and invite another adult to be present during virtual meetings. The second adult is recommended to be a WSU volunteer; other adults can serve in this role if you’re in a pinch.

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Ecotrust is now accepting applications for the 2020-2022 Ag of the Middle Accelerator Program! To make this program accessible during the COVID-19 pandemic, we are going 100% virtual! This is a two-year, hands-on, capacity-building and business development program. It is designed to help cultivate a thriving cohort of mid-sized, independent farms, ranches, and fishing operations in the region that spans from Northern California, Oregon, Washington, and Alaska.

This business development program provides instruction from experts on subjects such as business structure, finance, taxation, accounting, credit, market development, food justice and more. Designed to fit the demands of the producers we serve; trainings and one-on-one technical assistance sessions are scheduled between December and March so producers can focus on their businesses during the busy growing season.

The goal is a modern-day “ag of the middle” sector that can supply regional markets with products raised in ways good for land, soil, water, people, and animals. Through this program, participants will have the opportunity to get dedicated, customized business support from an array of service providers who understand the unique needs of independent, smaller-scale producers who want to grow with integrity.

Interested in becoming a participant in the business accelerator program? Please complete the program application by October 2, 2020 and visit our website for more details.

An informational session will be held on Monday, September 14, 2020 from 9-10 am to answer your questions and provide an overview of the program. To attend the info session, please register here by September 10th.

Application & Program Timeline:

- **August 24th** – application period opens.
- **September 14th** – program info session (Webinar).
- **October 2nd** – application deadline.
- **October 16th** – announcements of application acceptance will commence.
- **December 1st** – program kickoff
If you have any questions about the program, or how to message the program to your network, please contact Tyson Rasor (trasor@ecotrust.org or 503-467-0783) or Yolimar Rivera Vázquez (yolimar@ecotrust.org or 503-467-0819).

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You’re Invited to the 2020 Poultry Institute!

2020 Poultry Institute  
Tuesday, October 27, 2020  
8 a.m. to 4 p.m. (PDT)

The Avian Health and Food Safety Laboratory is excited to announce that the 2020 Poultry Institute will be a web-based event. This conference is intended for veterinarians, veterinary technicians, and producers. We have an exciting group of speakers lined up, and a full schedule should be available shortly.

Registration opens September 1 and will be $15 per person. Continuing education credit has been approved for veterinarians and veterinary technicians.

Questions? Contact Dr. Laura Chen  
Email: waddlahl@vetmed.wsu.edu  
Phone: 253-445-4537
Submit Your Community Video!
Submission deadline: September 11, 2020

Send us a video telling us or showing us how you envision the possibilities for prevention in your community!

The first-ever virtual Prevention Summit will be held November 3-4, 2020. This year our theme is 2020: Envision the Possibilities. We are eager to reflect on the progress within our field and how we can access these important milestones to envision the possibilities for youth, families and communities through the lens of prevention.

Be sure to include the following elements in your video:

- Your name
- Coalition name or agency name
- Community/location
- The following prompt: “When I/we envision the possibilities for prevention in our community, I/we imagine…”
- Don’t forget to invite other community partners to join you!

Video files should be saved as .mov or mp4 and should be submitted to fallon.baraga@hca.wa.gov with “Prevention Summit Video Clip” in the subject line.

Note: Please be sure that there is a local media release on file for all participants (youth and adult).

About the Summit

The goal of the Prevention Summit is to provide an enriching and culturally competent training and networking opportunity for youth, volunteers and professionals working toward the prevention of substance abuse, violence and other destructive behaviors as well as integrating such prevention efforts with primary health care.

For more information, visit our website at www.preventionsummit.org
The 2021 Sewing & Stitchery Expo Is Going Virtual!

Join us from the comfort of your own home February 24-28!

The 2021 Sewing & Stitchery Expo is coming to you live – virtually, in your home or studio! In the interest of the health and safety of our attendees, vendors, teachers, and staff, we’re going virtual so you can shop, learn, and experience right from your sewing room!

We’ll miss seeing everyone in person, browsing our incredible vendor floor, snacking on scones, and all the amazing things that make Expo such a special event. This year, we’ll see your smiling faces online in our virtual classes, on the virtual vendor floor, and of course on the Free Stage!

We’ll have more information and details on classes, tickets, and our online platform soon, so mark your calendars now for the 2021 Virtual Sewing & Stitchery Expo. Bookmark us at sewexpo.com for easy access and follow us on your favorite social platform for updates.

We’re here to help! If you have questions, please let us know. Email us at sewexpo@wsu.edu.

Washington State Junior Horse Show and Yakima County 4-H Showcase Present the 2020 Virtual Horse Show and Showcase

The Washington State Junior Horse Show, in conjunction with The Yakima County 4-H Showcase, presents our 2020 Virtual Horse Show and Showcase!

We thank those from throughout Eastern Washington, who have given wholehearted interest and community support. Washington State Junior Horse
Show, Inc., extends a hearty welcome to exhibitors, and friends to our 58th Annual Show. Washington State Junior Horse Show is sponsored by Washington State Junior Horse Show, Inc. and Washington State University.

**Registration dates are August 10, 2020 through September 14, 2020**

Read the entire Washington State Junior Horse Show Statement letter by clicking [here](http://washingtonstatejrhorseshow.fairentry.com/). This letter includes information on classes offered, as well as contact information for questions.

Click on this link for the entry information: [http://washingtonstatejrhorseshow.fairentry.com/](http://washingtonstatejrhorseshow.fairentry.com/)

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**Ferry County 4-H’s Talon Callahan Participates in National 4-H Council’s Opportunity4All Forum**

The proven impact of Cooperative Extension’s 4-H positive youth development program in addressing the nation’s opportunity gap was the focus of the Opportunity4All Forum on August 5, a one-hour virtual program produced by National 4-H Council. Highlights included youth perspectives on social justice and mental health. Extension, celebrity, corporate and foundation leaders shared their views and expertise on the action needed to create more opportunities for youth and communities. In addition, a powerful new white paper, Beyond the Gap, co-authored by Oregon State University Professor and Youth Development Specialist Mary Arnold, is available [here](http://washingtonstatejrhorseshow.fairentry.com/). Forum interest was high, with 1,142 registrants, including 657 Extension professionals. Click [here](http://washingtonstatejrhorseshow.fairentry.com/) for more information about the Opportunity4All Campaign.

National 4-H Council’s Opportunity4All Forum included our own Talon Callahan, from Ferry County. Watch the recording [here](http://washingtonstatejrhorseshow.fairentry.com/).
COVID-19 RESOURCES

National 4-H Council Shares Survey on COVID-19 Effects on Youth Mental Health and Loneliness

A new survey commissioned by National 4-H Council, and conducted by the Harris Poll, finds that 7 in 10 teens are struggling with their mental health in the wake of COVID-19. More than half of those surveyed shared that the pandemic has increased their feelings of loneliness, with 64 percent believing it will have a lasting impact on their mental health. The survey, conducted in May 2020, is among the first to examine the impact this unprecedented public health crisis has had on U.S. teens. The aims of the survey are to help practitioners gain a deeper understanding of the state of teen mental health and to gather teen perspectives on the issue as 4-H aims to empower young people with the resources and support to address their health and well-being head on.

Read the full article at https://4-h.org/media/new-survey-finds-7-in-10-teens-are-struggling-with-mental-health/

WSU Extension 4-H Steps Up to State Of Washington Lieutenant Governor’s Office’s Mask Making Challenge!

The State of Washington Lieutenant Governor’s Office recently issued a Mask Making Challenge, and information went out about the challenge last week – but not in Tuesday News, unfortunately! WSU Extension Offices have been designated to act as distribution points for the Mask Kits (Which include enough fabric for 10 masks) and for them to advertise and recruit for this challenge.

A link to the information flyer distributed for the Mask Making Challenge is here, A link to the suggested instructions for making masks is here.

Thank you for your support and efforts toward this project!
Handout from WSDA Animal Services Livestock Inspection Program Addresses Brand Inspection Requirements for Cattle in Youth Market Sales

The WSDA Animal Services Livestock Inspection Program has created a handout with regard to brand inspections required for cattle that change ownership as it pertains to 4-H kids/fairs.

The document can be found by clicking here.

WSDA Shares Update on Out-of-State Pigs Coming to Washington Due to COVID-19

The Washington State Department of Agriculture, Animal Services Division has recently released a document regarding the increased importing of pigs to Washington due to COVID-19 related closures and production slowdowns. The document, titled “What you should know about out-of-state pigs in Washington State” is available by clicking here.

WASHINGTON STATE RESOURCE GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS: Caring for Your Family During COVID-19

The Washington State Department of Children, Youth and Families has created a resource for parents during COVID-19. The WASHINGTON STATE RESOURCE GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS: Caring for Your Family During COVID-19 was developed to help parents and their families navigate the pandemic and the days to follow. The publication is available at


WSDA Shares Recommendations for Reducing COVID-19 Risk in Groups of People Caring for Groups of Animals

The Washington State Department of Agriculture has recently made some recommendations regarding reducing COVID-19 risk in animal care. The documents are available by clicking on the title below:

Cleaning and Disinfection Protocol
Caretaker Contact List
Group Livestock Care Instructions
Group Livestock Care Schedule
WSDA Group Care of Livestock
Keeping Your Distance to Stay Safe

With the number of COVID-19 cases increasing every day, psychologists offer insights on how to separate yourself from others, while still getting the social support you need.

https://www.apa.org/practice/programs/dmhi/research-information/social-distancing

A Reminder: COVID-19 Resources Available from WSU Extension

The WSU Extension COVID-19 Updates and Resources page is updated as new information becomes available. The Link to the page is

https://extension.wsu.edu/covid-19/

Additional Equine Resources Added to Horse Project Page

Extension Horses COVID-19 Infographics for Equine Owners and Facilities have been added to the Horse Project page. They are located under the “Other Resources and Websites” link and are intended to provide general information.

Everyday Actions to Help Prevent the Spread of Respiratory Viruses

Here are everyday actions to help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses:
· Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
· Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
· Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
· Stay home when you are sick.
· Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
· Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

A WSU hand-washing video can be accessed here.

There’s also this link to the Washington State Department of Health’s ‘WashYourHandsingTon” web page.

WSU has established an informational website that is being frequently updated – it can be found here. It has general information from the Center for Disease Control and the Washington State Department of Health.

Because of differing levels of outbreaks and risk of exposure to covid-19 and the coronavirus in different communities, please refer to your local health department and your local County Extension Office for information applicable to your community.