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Tuesday News – March 7, 2023

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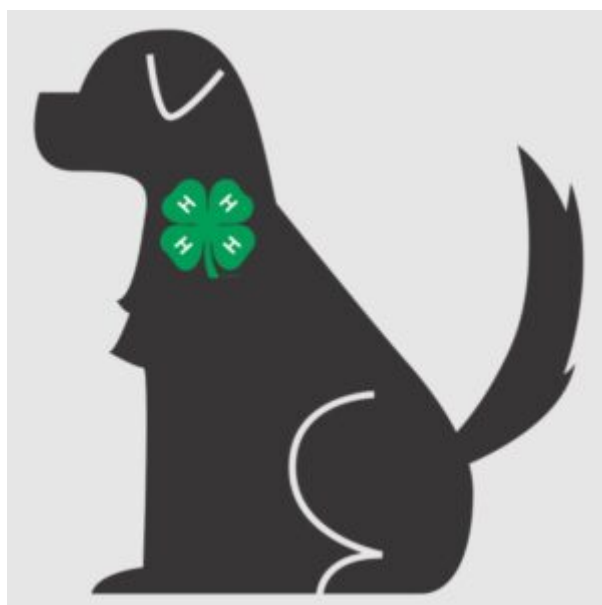
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State 4-H Dog Committee Meeting On March 12th!



The Washington State 4-H Dog committee is meeting on March 12th at 1:00 pm. The meeting will be conducted via Zoom.

Zoom Meeting Information:

Please refer to this guide on Joining WSU Zoom Meetings before trying to join the meeting:

<https://confluence.esg.wsu.edu/display/KB/Zoom+-+Joining+Meetings+and+Best+Practices>

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS, or Android: <https://wsu.zoom.us/j/93887801418>

Meeting ID: 938 8780 1418

Date & Time: Mar 12, 2023 01:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

No Passcode

Join from WSU Conference Room System (Polycom)

1. Using the touch panel, or remote control, select 'Place a Call'
2. Enter the IP Address including periods: 162.255.37.11
3. Press the pound key twice '##'
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5. Press 'Call'

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93887801418@zoomcrc.com

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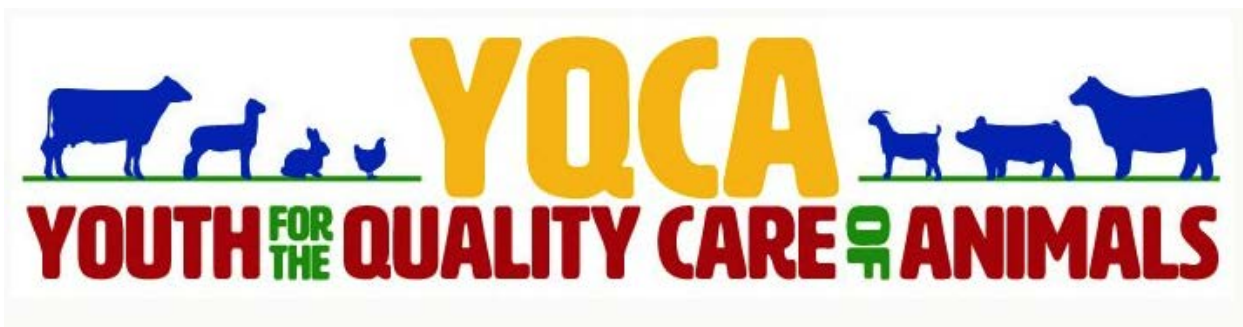
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For more information about the meeting, including the agenda and who is eligible to represent the county—please contact Chip Taylor, State Dog Committee chair or Barb Taylor

YQCAPROGRAM.ORG Update

Paul Kuber



It's that time of year again to be thinking about Youth for the Quality Care of Animals – YQCA (<https://yqcaprogram.org>). As spring approaches and youth begin their food animal projects it time to offer YQCA. It is a useful tool to help guide youth through best practices when raising a food animal. This program will provide youth with the skills to produce a safe and wholesome product from an animal that was raised humanely while enriching their life-skills through thoughtful content. It is supported by the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, National Pork Board and the American Sheep Industry Association as an equivalent to their adult quality assurance industry educational programs. Having youth participate prior to the beginning of their project will result in youth having the resources through-out their project for success.

Link to learn more about the YQCA program at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nc9su34t1WM>

As a reminder, on March 23, 2022, YQCA moved to a new platform resulting in web address change. PLEASE RE-DIRECT all youth, parents and instructors to use the new website <https://yqcaprogram.org> so that they can participate in this dynamic program. The old website address and link is no longer an active youth education website. This change (new platform and web-address) has given the YQCA organization the opportunity to move the program forward as originally planned, but that required us walking away from a third-party vendor and a web address that they owned.

The following instructional videos that YQCA recently released, will guide youth and parents through the registration process and participation on the new website and with the new program:

Sign-up and Participate in a Web-based Training:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qC5n5YWx1rl>

Sign-up and Participate in an Instructor Led Training:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wZHW2qtMIOc>

Key items:

- Assure that wherever you have YQCA training links online they need to link to <https://yqcaprogram.org>
- Assure that all print material including PDF's (or other) from past years with the inactive website are removed from public access
- Encourage leaders, parents, and youth to view the linked YouTube videos for either web-based training or instructor led training

If you have questions about offering, or becoming a certified instructor for YQCA please contact Paul Kuber at pskuber@wsu.edu

Food Preservation Requirement Completion – Guidelines for 4-H Food Preservation Leadership

Jana Ferris

After further review, the following will be accepted as meeting the requirement of having completed food preservation training to leader 4-H Food Preservation Projects:

4-H Food Preservation, <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/for-volunteers/volunteer-training/>

Master Food Preserver (MFP) – active participation in the program

Consumer Food Safety (CFS) – currently serving as a CFS advisor for WSU

To demonstrate serving as an active MFP or CFS, the supervising faculty, staff, or county director sends an email affirming your participation to the Extension Volunteer Development Specialist (ferrisj@wsu.edu).

Also, we will be reviewing the requirement in the next few months and determine what, if any, future training might be required. Stay tuned for further information.



Graphic – WSU Kitsap County Extension 4-H

The WSU Horse Course is Back – In Person!



Mark your calendars for April 8th! The WSU Horse Course is back – in-person! Open to youth 12 years old and up, this is a wonderful opportunity for members and adults alike to gain more equine knowledge and tour the WSU Veterinary College. Use the link in the flyer to sign up!



COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE



*Hosted by the student chapter of the American Association of Equine Practitioners



Lectures

- Lameness Evaluation
- Recognizing Signs of Colic
- Toxic Plants of the Palouse
- Dental Examination
- Infectious Diseases
- Managing the Mare for Artificial Insemination:
It is Not as Simple as it May Appear

Demonstrations

- Dental Float
- Limb Bandaging
- Upper Airway Endoscopy
- Colic Ultrasound Workup
- Equinus Lameness Locator

Tickets

\$40

Include Lunch & Teaching Hospital Tour

Individual

OR

\$35

Group of 10+

Please contact Elizabeth Evans
to purchase group tickets.

Location: WSU College of Veterinary Medicine, Pullman, WA

For more information & tickets visit: <https://wsuhorsecourse.weebly.com/>

Contact Elizabeth Evans: elizabeth.g.evans@wsu.edu



Live sign-up link: <https://wsuhorsecourse.weebly.com/>
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“Cougs Give” Fundraiser on April 12th To Highlight Washington State 4-H!

Denise Echelbarger



On April 12, 2023, please join the WSU Cougar Family celebrating our achievements, learning about what's next in research and growth, honoring our generous donors, and exploring what we can imagine and accomplish when we ask the question, “What if...?”

WSU CAHNRS will be highlighting specialized funding priorities for #CougsGive 2023. **How exciting is it that the WSU Washington State 4-H Excellence Fund has been chosen to be highlighted?** Please help WSU spread the word by signing up as a #CougsGive Ambassador and sharing your own stories, and then join us in supporting WSU's future by making a gift on April 12.

Save the date to support the Washington State's 4-H Youth Development Program for #CougsGive 2023 on April 12. Your support empowers Washington State University to serve its land-grant mission to the state and provide life-changing programming for all 4-H members.

Go Cougs!



April 12, 2023

WHAT IS #COUGSGIVE?

#CougsGive is a one-day fundraising event dedicated to expanding, sharing, and celebrating the impact of donor support at Washington State University. Generous donors are the foundation of student success, and on April 12, 2023, the Cougar family will come together and give to the scholarships, programs, and experiences that set WSU apart.

JOIN US THIS YEAR AS A COUGAR AMBASSADOR!

Becoming an ambassador is easy. Visit cougsgive.wsu.edu, create a Cougar Ambassador account using either your email or Facebook login, and then you'll receive email verification to activate your Cougar Ambassador account. That's it!

Check out your dashboard. Once you have verified your email, visit your personal Cougar Ambassador dashboard through cougsgive.wsu.edu. You'll be able to easily share to social media and email, as well as create a custom giving link for sharing with your fellow Cougs. Through this dashboard, you can see how many people have clicked on your posts, AND see how many gifts you have inspired through your sharing!

WHAT IMPACT WILL YOU MAKE?

Share your story. Post on your social media accounts, send emails, text your closest Cougs! Share what makes WSU special, what it means to be in the Cougar family, why you give, and why others should give, too! Include your giving link in your posts so others can give with just one click.

Challenge your fellow Cougs to increase the impact. Recruit your family, friends, acquaintances, and fellow Cougs to register as Cougar Ambassadors at cougsgive.wsu.edu! Join the celebration and create a lasting impact for current and future Cougs through philanthropic support.

Every gift makes a difference during #CougsGive. Show your Cougar pride and give to your areas of passion at cougsgive.wsu.edu on April 12, 2023.



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Explore 4-H with WSU Extension Recording – Basic 4-H Cat Project



Recording-Basic 4-H Cat Project



**From March 5th,
2023**

**This presentation is for anyone who
has an interest in the 4-H Cat Project
and how to get ready for a show.**

Brought to you by the WSU Extension 4-H Youth
Development Small & Companion Animal Committee

Explore 4-H with WSU Extension – Recording -Basic 4-H Cat Project

This presentation is for anyone who has an interest in the 4-H Cat Project and how to get you and your cat ready for a 4-H Show. 4-H Volunteer Caroline Vadino presents with us on Explore 4-H with WSU Extension the “Basic 4-H Cat Project” from Sunday, March 5th, 2023. **You can find the recording for this presentation at <http://bit.ly/3Zlo3Wk>.**

There is a short survey at the end of the presentation with a link that will take you to a WSU Qualtrics page, please take a few minutes to complete the survey.

Thank you and enjoy the workshop,

Pam Watson, M.Ed.
WSU Lewis County Extension
4-H Youth Development Agent, WSU Faculty

Statewide 4-H Virtual Photo Club March meeting Scheduled for March 12th!



We held our second Statewide 4-H Virtual Photography Club meeting “Photographing Animals” on Feb. 12th at 2 PM. Thank you to those who joined us and participated. We recorded that meeting because the educational portion from the 2nd meeting is the photo challenge assignment for the next meeting. **Please find the recording at: <https://bit.ly/3YRIFNb>**

Our meetings are open to anyone interested in learning more about the 4-H photography project.

Our Third meeting will be on Sunday, March 12th at 2:00 PM. The pre-registration link for that meeting is **<http://bit.ly/3IFWru3>**

Welcome! You are invited to join a meeting: Statewide 4-H Photography Club, 3rd meeting.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email about joining the meeting.

We will be learning about storyboards, journalism, and taking portraits of people. We will have our second critique using photos from our 2nd meeting photo challenge – Animal Photography.

If you would like to submit any photos for our critique at the 3rd meeting please e-mail them to Pam Watson at pwatson@wsu.edu as attachments by Friday, Mar. 10th, make sure you put in the subject line of the e-mail “4-H Photo Club.” Each person may send up to three photos, keep in mind we may not get through them all. For now, keep working on the photo challenge assignment!

We will be recording this meeting. * **Special note, time will spring forward for Daylight Savings on this day, be sure to set your clocks forward.**

Pam Watson, M.Ed.
WSU Lewis County Extension
4-H Youth Development Agent, WSU Faculty

Save the Date! Teen Conference is Back!

Conference information can be found
at <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/stc/>

SUBMIT A WORKSHOP PROPOSAL FOR TEEN CONFERENCE!

Please consider submitting a proposal to present a workshop at the conference. We also encourage youth to present. The deadline for submissions was March 1, 2023 to be considered for this conference, but proposals are still needed..

The Request for Proposal Form can be found by clicking [HERE](#). Proposals can be submitted via email to Kelly.a.stewart@wsu.edu or via Qualtrics at https://wsu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_b7xSP2wuXUN3tkO



Who: Washington 8th–12th grade youth
(completed 8th grade by conference)
& adult chaperones

What: A three-day conference with workshops
and tours focused on career exploration,
college readiness, leadership and life
skill development

Where: Washington State University
Pullman Campus

When: June 20-23, 2023



<https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/stc>

Registration Opens in April!

Introducing Q and A Sessions for the Washington 4-H Horse Program!

Have questions about the Washington 4-H horse program? We are planning to have a monthly Q and A for leaders, parents, members, and staff on the third Thursday of each month via Zoom from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Zooms will start in February and run at least through June.

The next Q and A will be Thursday, March 16th. No need to register...just come and join the zoom by 6:30 pm.

There will be no specific topics for this first zoom but will be around the theme/parameters of horses and youth development. It will be more than “what are the rules.” However, there will be time set aside for input on future topics for the subsequent Zooms.

The Zoom meeting ID is 452-082-9765 with no passcode. You must have a zoom account to participate.

The meeting will be facilitated by Jennifer Leach, WSU 4-H Equine Specialist. If you need further clarification of the meeting, feel free to contact Jennifer at jleach@wsu.edu



State 4-H Ambassadors Present the 4-H Youth of the Month for March!

The Washington State 4-H Ambassadors recognize the 4-H Youth of the Month honoree for March, Raeley Barnes of Clark County! The Ambassadors are proud to highlight 4-H youth monthly throughout the year!



4-H YOUTH OF THE MONTH





Raeley Barnes

Senior

Clark County

PROJECT:

Rabbits

Washington State 4-H

Raeley Barnes

Favorite Part About 4-H: Raeley loves opportunities to educate others about her project rabbits, mainly how to take care of rabbits, groom them, and name the different varieties.

Favorite Hobbies: Raeley loves sketching, participating in her art club, and playing basketball for her school.

Favorite Art Medium: Pencil sketching and digital art

Favorite 4-H Memories: She was honored to receive a Special Award for her first rabbit showmanship at fair.

Favorite Food: Steamed crab with butter

Future Career: Raeley is hoping to pursue something in the science industry, such as engineering or physics.

What Has 4-H Taught You: Responsibility both in taking care of her animals and completing her club member activities.

Favorite Ice Cream: Moose Tracks

Project You'd Like to Do: Raeley would love to show Boer goats or pursue photography.

Favorite Vacation: Yellowstone National Park this past summer, where she got to see the Steamboat Geyser.

Years in 4-H: Raeley's been in 4-H for 2 years.

Favorite Service Project: Volunteering at the Food Bank, and bringing rabbits to nursing homes.

If you have any questions about the State Ambassadors, or are interested in joining, please email wa4hsa@gmail.com. We hope to hear from you!

Pierce County Leaders Council Presents April Fun'Raiser



Get a jump on qualifying shows and county fairs! The Pierce County Leaders Council Fun'Raiser is an open show for cats, dogs, and horses happening on April 29, 2023 at Frontier Park in Graham, WA. Get extra experience in the ring or arena!

Fun'Raiser is open to all ages and is open to the general public. The Cat Show offers Fitting & Showmanship, Type and Agility. The Dog Show offers Showmanship, Obedience, Rally, and AKC-Canine Good Citizen Test and Novice

Trick Test. The Horse Show offers Showmanship, Performance, Driving, In-hand, and Western Games.

Times and fees vary based on individual animal type. More information can be found at <https://extension.wsu.edu/pierce/4-h/current-member-leader-info/>.

For the Dog Fun'Raiser Flyer, [CLICK HERE](#)

For the Horse Fun'Raiser Flyer, [CLICK HERE](#)

RECORDING! Backyard Flock -Poultry Housing, Part 2, Chicks 8-28 Weeks



Backyard Flock Poultry Housing-Recording

Part 2, 8 Weeks- 28 Weeks



This presentation is for anyone who has an interest in poultry and how to set up age-appropriate housing.

Brought to you by the WSU Extension 4-H Youth Development Small & Companion Animal Committee

Are you thinking about getting chicks? What sort of brooder should you have before you bring them home? Where will they live as they get older? Let's discuss some safe, inexpensive, and healthy designs for your poultry housing. This presentation is for 4-H members, volunteers, families, and anyone from the public who has an interest in small and backyard poultry and how to set up age-appropriate housing.

You can find the second half of the recording "Chicks 8-28 Weeks" at <http://bit.ly/3ELEidv>

This recorded session of Explore 4-H with WSU Extension is brought to you by the WSU 4-H Small & Companion Animal Committee.

Thanks for watching,

Pam Watson, M.Ed., pwatson@wsu.edu
WSU Lewis County Extension
4-H Youth Development Agent, WSU Faculty

RECORDING! Backyard Flock-Poultry Housing, Part 1, Chicks 0-8 Weeks



Backyard Flock Poultry Housing-Recording

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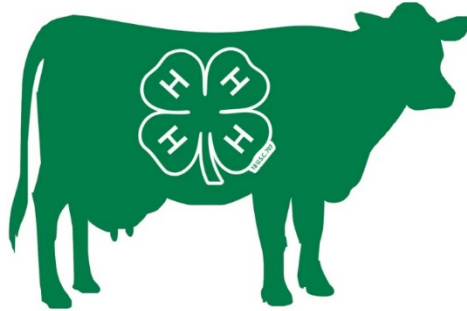
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WSU Lewis County Extension
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SAVE THESE DATES From the 4-H Dairy Program!!



Springtime Youth Calf Sale

March 18, 2023, Evergreen State Fairgrounds, Monroe

WA State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest

March 18, 2023, 9:00 am, at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds, Monroe

Evergreen Junior Dairy Show,

April 28 & 29, Evergreen State Fairgrounds, Monroe

2023 WA 4-H Dairy Judging Contest

The 4-H Dairy Judging Contest will be July 18 at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds during the State Holstein Show. The contest time has not been set.

2023 National 4-H Dairy Conference

The 2023 4-H Dairy Conference will be held in Madison, Wisconsin October 1-4. **For application to be considered on the Washington team, due April 1st, go to:**

<https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/dairy-endowment-fund/program-activities/dairy-conference-team/>

Ask Dr. Universe: Who Invented Games?



How do you become a scientist? Is being a scientist fun? Check out the latest episode of the [Ask Dr. Universe podcast](#) to hear one rad brain scientist talk about his career path and the curiosity that drives him.

Dr. Universe: Who invented games? Kinzie, 6, Ohio

Dear Kinzie,

Board games, video games, a long piece of yarn... I love them all. I took a break from batting around a catnip-filled mouse toy to talk about your question with my friend, Washington State University professor [Jordan Clapper](#), who told me the answer is a mystery.

“That’s almost impossible to know—for some really fun reasons,” Clapper said. “Every culture has games. It even extends beyond being human. If you’ve ever seen a dog or a cat play, they’re playing a game. “

The earliest board game we’ve found is more than 4,600 years old.

[Archaeologist](#) Leonard Woolley dug it up in a tomb from Sumer (modern-day Iraq). That tomb was in the Royal Cemetery of Ur, so he named it the [Royal Game of Ur](#).

It was obvious the board was a game. But nobody knew the game’s rules. That’s where Irving Finkel came in. He works for the British Museum. He’s an expert in [cuneiform](#)—an ancient writing system of [pressing marks](#) into clay tablets. Finkel figured out that one tablet was the game’s rule book. Now, people can play the Royal Game of Ur in [printable form](#) or [online](#).

Clapper also told me about the first video game. It was called [Tennis for Two](#). Scientist William Higinbotham wanted people to see that science is fun and useful. So, he invented a video game for a research show at his lab in 1958. It worked on a tool called an oscilloscope.



Brookhaven National Laboratory

“He programmed a light to move back and forth,” Clapper said. “There was this big chunky controller. It was probably the size of a Big Mac box. It had a button you pressed with a big ‘ker-chunk’ sound to send the ball back over the net to the other side.”

You might wonder why people invented games. Clapper said games are meaningful simply because they’re fun. But they can also preserve and share cultural knowledge.

“Games can pass along stories,” Clapper said. “Games can do important cultural work or ask questions in unique ways.”

One of Clapper’s areas of expertise is Indigenous games. I learned about the [Skins Workshops](#). That program teaches Indigenous young people to bring traditional stories to video games. That’s also what game developer Elizabeth LaPensée does with her games like [When Rivers Were Trails](#) and [Thunderbird Strike](#). Clapper told me [Never Alone](#) is a video game made by the Iñupiat Native people of Alaska. Nearly 40 elders and story tellers worked together to bring the story to life.

If you love games, you can even make your own.

“Anyone can make a game,” Clapper said. “Last year I was finishing a book I was working on and had a dream about a game I wanted to make. I took index cards and markers—and started making pieces. If you want to make games, go out and make them.”

Dr. Universe

Dr. Universe: Is it true that seven human years equals one dog year?

Cameren, 12, Kentucky

Dear Cameren,

Humans have kept dogs as pets for [more than 14,000 years](#). That close friendship inspires scientists to explore questions like yours.

I talked about how dogs age with my friend [Ryan Baumwart](#). He’s a heart doctor for dogs. He teaches in the veterinary hospital at Washington State University. I asked Baumwart if a dog year is equal to seven human years.

“I think it’s a good general rule,” he said. “But some larger breed dogs like bullmastiffs and Great Danes have a shorter lifespan of 6 to 8 years. So if you do the math, they get shorted. Then some small breed dogs like Chihuahuas seem to live forever.”

Baumwart told me most puppies reach their full height at about 6 months old. That's also when their adult teeth come in. Then they start filling out and growing wider. Most dogs are fully grown at about 1 year old. They're considered geriatric, or old, at about 7 years old.

That fits with the guidelines used by the [American Kennel Club](#) and [American Veterinary Medical Association](#). They say the first year of a dog's life equals 15 human years. The second year equals 9 human years. After that, each year equals 5 human years.



Some researchers say they figured out a more precise calculation. Mammal DNA changes a little bit as we get older. Scientists can use these tiny changes to map how dogs age. You can [use a special calculator](#) to figure out your dog's age using their method. If you love math, you can use their formula: multiply the [natural logarithm](#) of your dog's age by 16 then add 31. The method relies on Labrador Retriever data. It may not work well for very small or very large dogs. If you wonder why smaller dogs tend to live longer, you're not alone. Scientists wonder that, too. Baumwart says we simply don't know the answer yet.

We do know genes play a role in life span. Mixed breed dogs usually live longer than purebred dogs. Purebred dogs are more likely to inherit genetic diseases. Lifestyle and environment also make a difference. Dogs need exercise and a healthy diet. Baumwart said to choose dog food that meets the guidelines set by the [World Small Animal Veterinary Association](#) (WSAVA). He recommends talking with your [veterinarian](#) about dog food and other questions about your dog's health. They can tailor their advice to your specific dog.

Right now, Baumwart is part of the [Dog Aging Project](#). The goal is to figure out how to help dogs live longer, healthier lives. The project will collect data from tens of thousands of dogs over 10 years. They're also testing a medicine called [rapamycin](#) that makes mice live longer. They want to know if this medicine could help dogs—and maybe even humans—live longer.

That's paws-itively awesome news for dogs and the people who have loved them for thousands of years.

Sincerely,
Dr. Universe

[Get more questions and answers here!](#)



Know a kid with a science question?
Help them submit it for a chance to be featured in a future Q&A.

[Submit a question!](#)

Washington State University Extension and University of Idaho Extension Present Youth Livestock Field Days

YOUTH LIVESTOCK FIELD DAYS

Washington State University Extension and University of Idaho Extension are pleased to present Youth Sheep and Goat Field Day on **March 11, 2023**, at Asotin County Fairgrounds and Beef Field Day, **March 25, 2023**, at University of Idaho Livestock Pavilion. Topics for the field days include: mandatory paperwork, quality assurance, meat science, health care, feeding and nutrition, selection of the project animal and fitting and showing.

Registration for both events is now open! Registration cost is \$10 per persons and is due March 3, and March 17, respectively. The registration fee includes lunch and handout materials. To register, click on the links below.

For more information, see the brochures linked below.

[Sheep and Meat Goat Field Day Brochure](#)

[Sheep and Meat Goat Field Day Registration](#)

[Beef Field Day Brochure](#)

[Beef Field Day Registration](#)



2023 Cougar Invitational Youth Meat Judging Contest Update

Paul Kuber



The 2023 Cougar Invitational Youth Meat Judging Contest is coming up soon! Contest information pages and the registration link are now available!

Register at this link:

<https://www.judgingcard.com/Registration/Info.aspx?ID=16212>

The Cougar Invitational Tentative Schedule, Contest Rules, Registration Information and other contest details (Scoring, What to Bring, Awards, and Contact Information can be found by clicking [HERE](#).



2023
COUGAR INVITATIONAL
YOUTH MEAT JUDGING CONTEST



Ensminger Pavilion, 455 Lincoln Dr., Pullman, WA
WSU Meat Laboratory, 2155 Wilson Rd., Pullman, WA

Registration Deadline: March 10

Register at <https://www.judgingcard.com/Registration/Info.aspx?ID=16212>

March 17th

Clinic for Coaches and Students

March 18th

Cougar Invitational Judging Contest and Awards

Opportunities In Virtual Horse Judging

Pat Pehling

While clinics and contests with live horses (and riders) are definitely more effective, sometimes it is difficult to find an acceptable location and/or arrange for enough suitable horses to create a contest.

Subscription service livestockjudging.com has over 100 classes on horses or performance. It is suitable for teaching judging, but also allows a subscriber to set up contests. Available classes include halter, reining, ranch riding, trail, western equitation, western pleasure, hunt/seat equitation and hunter under saddle.

Snohomish County has four Horse Judging events each 4-H year with live “live” and one Virtual. Each Contest includes 4 classes and written reasons on one class. While there is no option for reasons on the Virtual platform, the members are instructed to email their written reasons to a volunteer who is trained to evaluate the reasons.

livestockjudging.com scores each participants’ placings and results are soon available. The subscriber chooses the classes, determines the contest placing of each class or has a judge place the class (there are class placings available to view

when deciding the official placing of each class), sets the times and dates of the Contest and gives directions to the participants. Participants can be “invited” or a PIN can be shared to allow access to the program. Contests can run for a couple hours or several days.

Since it is desirable for the Judging Contest to also be educational, the judge should always give reasons for placing classes at a Contest. On the Virtual Contest, it is recommended that written reasons be shared on whatever method of communicating with the youth is available at the county level. Some of the available classes do have reasons available.



Royal Rabbits 4-H Host Rabbit Roundup In Vancouver Washington On March 12th!

The Royal Rabbits 4-H Club in Clark County, Washington is hosting their annual rabbit show on March 12th and invite all bunny clubs in the state to participate!

The focus of our show is FUN, growth, and community. **The direct link to register is [HERE!](#)**



Deadline Approaching for 4-H Scholarship Applications!



The application for 4-H Scholarships are now available in 4-H Online. The application is open to all active 4-H youth in the 12th grade who have been in 4-H for at least two years. Youth must be attending an accredited two or four-year college or university in the fall of 2023.

Applications must be submitted by March 15th, no later than 9:59 PM, via 4-H Online.

Emailed applications will not be accepted. No exceptions are made to this policy. Applications **MUST BE COMPLETE**, with submission of all five pieces included, in order to be considered. Each applicant will be considered for all Washington State 4-H Scholarships. These scholarships may be used at any accredited two or four-year college or university.

For more information on the application process, including requirements, tips and individual scholarship information, go to:

<https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/scholarship-opportunities/>.

News Items for Washington State 4-H Equine!

The New Year brings big news for the 4-H Equine Program!



Save the Date! State Horse Bowl and State Hippology May 6-7, 2023

The 2023 WA State 4-H Horse Bowl Contest and WA State 4-H Hippology Contest will be held over the first weekend in May at the Grant County Fairgrounds in Moses Lake. Horse Bowl will be on Saturday, May 6 and Hippology will be on Sunday, May 7. **All the details are in the registration packets, available below.**

[2023 Horse Bowl Registration Packet](#)

[2023 Hippology Contest Registration Packet](#)

We hope 4-H members will try both!!

Lodging Information for teams needing overnight accommodations:

- Camping is available at the Grant County Fairground, including RV spaces. Those interested in this option may make arrangements directly with the fairgrounds here: <https://www.gcfairgrounds.com/p/fair/fair-camping>
- For hotel accommodations, we recommend national name hotels with rooms that open to hallways rather than the outdoors.

As with all State 4-H Equine Contests, each county may select their teams in any manner they choose (e.g. County Contests, Tests, Tryouts, Attendance) and those teams are approved by the County 4-H Educator. Other members are welcome to attend to observe the Contest but only designated County Teams may participate.



The list of sources that state contest questions and materials will be drawn from has been condensed to those that are free and/or easily accessible in hopes that addressing accessibility challenges will increase participation in state equine knowledge contests. **These sources are free downloads from our WA State 4-H website:**

- The 4-H Horse Member Manual <https://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/the-4h-horse-project>
- The 4-H Horse Judging Manual <https://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/4h-horse-judging-manual>
- Beginning Horsemanship <https://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/beginning-horsemanship-mm>
- Contest Guide <https://s3.wp.wsu.edu/uploads/sites/2050/2022/06/PNW574-REV-2015.pdf>
- 4-H Driving Manual <https://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/4h-driving-manual>
- 4-H Dressage Manual <https://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/4h-dressage-manual>
- Hunt Seat & Jumper <https://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/hunt-seat-and-jumper-manual>
- Groom Squad <https://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/washington-state-4h-fair-groom-squad-contest>

And one additional source, available for purchase or digital rental:
<https://www.ayhc.com/shop>

- Equine Science by Jean T. Griffiths



Having a county hippology program is not a requirement of registration for the state hippology contest. Recognizing that a county may have only one or two interested, eligible members, the following provision is provided:

- A county may combine with another county (or multiple counties) to form a team. If unable to coordinate with another county, you may register your county's interested members as individuals. The contest coordinator will form catch teams, if possible, and notify you. If impossible to form a catch team, individuals may compete independently in all phases except team problem solving. All contestants are eligible for overall individual awards.
- To provide additional support, a **Prepare for State Hippology Zoom** is scheduled for Sunday, March 26, 2 to 3:30 pm. All 4-H members are welcome to join, from those who are definitely planning to compete to those who aren't quite sure yet. Come learn about the competition so you can feel prepared to do your best! Supporting adults are very welcome! **Register in advance for this meeting:** <http://bit.ly/3ClfFga>

Remember to Sign Up for 4-H Equine Science and Horsemanship Series Thursdays!!

We are excited to launch the 2022-2023 WA State 4-H Equine Science and Horsemanship Series!! Hosted virtually on the 4th Thursday of the month, December 2022 – December 2023 (*5th Thursday in November 2023, due to Thanksgiving) from 6:30 – 7:30 pm.

All are invited to attend to learn more about horses! Sessions will incorporate hands-on opportunities and fun learning games! **Use this link to sign up and receive the zoom link:** <https://bit.ly/WA4-HEquineScience>

Registered participants will be emailed a suggested supply list prior to each session for the hands-on component.

NOTE: Instructors are needed for some of our upcoming sessions. If you have interest in teaching, please contact kim.baker@wsu.edu | 425-520-3908.

We are interested in hearing from staff, equine professionals, and alumni of the horse program that would like to share their area of expertise with an audience of youth.

Interested parties should be prepared to share an overview of their topic and how they envision incorporating a hands-on component in a virtual format. More details about the review process are available upon request.

Thank you!



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Save the Date! 2023 Prairie Hatchers Annual Poultry Show!



Save the Date, March 25, 2023, for the Prairie Hatchers 4-H Club's 23rd Annual YOUTH SHOW, taking place at the Clark County Fairgrounds in Ridgefield, Washington. Things to look forward to include Showmanship, confirmation/type, BIG Raffle, and Show quality poultry/chick auction!

Donations are always appreciated. If you would like to donate **show quality birds** or any raffle items please e-mail us! Your donations help us run next year's show. Help us keep it going!

If you would like more information or get on the list to receive our premium book in January please e-mail: prairiehatchers4hclub@gmail.com
