



Klickitat County 4-H Planning Day for 2014

Klickitat County 4-H Planning Day will be held **Saturday, November 1** from 9am to 3pm at the Goldendale Grange. Lunch will be provided. Registration will begin at 8:45am.

This is your opportunity to take an active role in planning our next 4-H year of activities. There will be opportunities for volunteer training that will benefit you as a volunteer and your success with your 4-H club. This is great way for you to get a part of your leader training hours and express your suggestions for changes and improvements for our 4-H program.

This is a very important event for planning our upcoming 4-H events and programs. Don't miss this day – come and connect with other leaders in our county as we bring together our passion for 4-H in Klickitat County! Mark your calendars for **Saturday, November 1** and join us! We look forward to seeing you there!

Club re-enrollment packets, record books, market records, educational posters and 4-H exhibits not picked up from county fair or state fair will be available for pick-up as well this day.

4-H Fashion Revue & Textile Information Day

Benton-Franklin County 4-H is hosting a Fashion Revue and Textile Information Day on November 8 at CBC Building in Pasco, WA from 9am to 1pm. We will have a local modeling agency teaching about posing and walking the runway; we'll have local experts on accessorizing, fabric choice, and SO MUCH MORE!!!

If you've done fashion revue, sewing, or wanted to know more about it ... this event should get you started and/or get you motivated!

Sign up here: https://docs.google.com/.../1bdJmy56fOM2af-d_pln2cp3.../viewform

2014 Southeast District Teen Rally, November 7-9, hosted by Yakima County 4-H

"Come Squachin With Us In Yakima County!" is this year's Southeast District Teen Rally theme. The Southeast Teen Rally will be held November 7-9 at Camp Fife, Goose Prairie, WA and is hosted by Yakima County 4-H. Registration is open to ALL teens 7th-12th grade (4-H membership not necessary). Registration has been extended. Space is limited so register today!

Cost is \$75.00. Please complete Teen Rally Code of Conduct Form and parental consent forms from the 4-H State website, <http://4h.wsu.edu/members/rallydates.htm> . The SE District Teen Rally Registration Form is also available for download at the bottom of that page or is available at the local Extension office. For any questions, contact Yakima County 4-H at 509-574-1600.

Tentative Schedule:

Friday, Check in 6:00 pm-8:00 pm – Games, Crafts and Snacks

Saturday, Breakfast, Workshops, Lunch, Workshops, Snack, Group Activity, Dance, Games, Camp Fire

Sunday, Breakfast, Pack & Clean-up, Elections, Closing Ceremony & Goodbyes.

Nov. 11 – 4-H Craft Day Workshop

There will be a 4-H Craft Day Workshop on Tuesday, November 11 (Veteran's Day), 9am to noon, at the Goldendale Grange. Come try some new craft projects and get some great ideas for all kinds of possibilities for doing Creative Arts as a project this year. Questions? Contact Pat Shamek at 541-993-9560 for more details!

4-H Horse Member Riding Time

Riding time may be available Wednesdays through March 2015 at the Klickitat County Fairgrounds from 3pm to 5pm for **currently enrolled** 4-H horse project members and leaders. **Completed enrollment forms must have been received at the 4-H office along with 4-H insurance payment (\$2 for horse project).** For more information contact Lisa Harness at the Extension office, 509-773-5817.

Nov. 15 Workshop for 4-H Record Books – Updated Record Book Pages

There will be a 4-H Record Book Workshop on Saturday, November 15, 9am to noon, at the Goldendale Grange. Project records have been updated with some additional revisions this year so here is an opportunity to see what's new and learn more about the value and benefits of recordkeeping!

4-H members are encouraged to attend to ask questions, get some help with their record book or market records, and learn some tips about where to put information. Leaders are encouraged to attend to get additional information about record keeping for their clubs. Record book award information will also be presented.

There will be lots of opportunity to ask questions. All clubs should be encouraging 4-H members to practice recordkeeping, keep records and turn in record books for judging and recognition awards.

This workshop could be something 4-H clubs attend as a group as well as an opportunity to help other members learn about record keeping. Have questions? Contact Lisa at the Extension office, 509-773-5817.

Upcoming 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training: Save the Dates: Nov. 21-22, 2015

There will be an archery / rifle / shotgun shooting sports leader training on Friday evening, November 21 and Saturday, November 22, 2014 in Ellensburg, WA. Are you interested?? Save the date! More details will be announced very soon. Attendees will need to have completed their initial 4-H leader training to be an enrolled 4-H volunteer. Contact Lisa at 509-773-5817 for how to become an enrolled volunteer. Check out our Facebook page for the latest updates at [Klickitat County 4-H](#).

Enrollment Packets for the 2014-2015 4-H Year

It's a new 4-H year! Enrollment packets for 4-H clubs can be picked up by the main club leader at the November 1 Planning Day event or at the Extension office after that date. Included in packets is *Form C1000, A Valuable Partnership*, for each enrolled leader to sign and return, and copies of the Klickitat County 4-H Volunteer Hours log / worksheet. Use this log / worksheet to report your 4-H volunteer hours and any 4-H leader training hours for the past 4-H year and then begin keeping a current log sheet. These volunteer hour logs should be turned in on a monthly basis to the Extension office to meet WSU reporting deadlines.

Re-enrollments with insurance money, club financial summaries and other forms (C1000 for each leader and volunteer hours worksheets for each leader for the past 4-H year) are due to the Extension office by December 1, 2014.

An important reminder for club leaders: the Extension office needs to be notified ahead of time regarding any fundraising activities by 4-H clubs during the year to ensure proper use of the 4-H name and logo and that appropriate guidelines are followed. We are looking forward to another great year!

4-H County and State Fair Items

Congratulations to all 4-H County and State Fair participants! We have many educational posters left from both county fair and state fair that can be picked up, along with record books and market records. These can be picked up at the Extension office.

2015 4-H Know Your Government (KYG) Conference – February 14-17, 2015

The 2015 Know Your Government (KYG) Conference will be held on February 14-17, 2015 in Olympia, WA. The KYG conference strengthens the connection between youth and our political and social networks through education, experience, application and inspiration. The 2015 conference theme, "Digital Citizenship", invites students to investigate and delve into the powerful relationship between media and politics. Using social media and society's most powerful mediums, delegates will return to their communities with media understanding tools to enact change towards local challenges.

KYG is open to youth in grades 9-12. Youth interested in participating in the KYG conference can contact the Klickitat County Extension office at (509) 773-5817 or email klickitat4h@wsu.edu. Additional information about the KYG conference is available online at <http://4h.wsu.edu/conferences/kyg/index.htm>.

4-H teens, club leaders and parents: here's how you can find out more about the KYG conference. Come to a meeting to find out about activities and get important registration information. Meeting dates will be set soon. Contact Martin Taylor, KYG Coordinator, at 509-250-0571 if you are interested in attending this conference and to get meeting date information. You can also contact the Extension office at 509-773-5817 for details.

Help Support the Lyle Activity Center

You can be involved in helping restore and preserve the old elementary school and green space in Lyle as the community's activity center. The green space is the only park in town and the building serves as a meeting space for various community events, youth programs and as permanent offices for several non-profits.

A raffle is being held on November 22 to raise money to continue renovations at this historic location. The center is very excited about the fabulous donations they have received and you can check them out on their web site: www.lyleactivitycenter.com.

You can also show your support for the Lyle Activity Center by purchasing raffle tickets to have a chance to win one of these great raffle items that were donated. Think what wonderful holiday gifts they might make as well! Online tickets are sold in bundles of 4 for \$20. You can purchase tickets through the secured service on their website, www.lyleactivitycenter.com, or you can mail a check to the center and they will enter your tickets into the drawing.

Checks should be made out to: CEKC - OLESS and mailed to:

Barbara Sexton
PO Box 952
Lyle WA 98635

If you would prefer to just make a donation instead of buying raffle tickets, your donation is fully tax-deductible as allowed by law.

You are invited to attend a festive wine tasting (donated by Cor Winery) and dessert event at 7:00 PM on November 22 before the drawing takes place at the Lyle Activity Center. All winners will be notified no later than November 23. You do not need to be present to win! If you plan to attend the festive raffle drawing on Nov 22, please kindly send an RSVP for the dessert bakers: vharpole@aol.com. Your support is greatly appreciated!

WSU Releases Online Food Preservation Course

Preserve the Taste of Summer is a series of eight online lessons for consumers who want to learn about food preservation and food safety as well as those who want to update their knowledge and skills.

Provided by WSU, the lessons cover the most current USDA approved food preservation recommendations. Topics include food safety, the basics of canning (pressure and boiling water), freezing, drying, as well as making fruit spreads and pickled foods. A certificate of completion is provided at the end of the course.

Visit <http://preservesummer.cahnrs.wsu.edu> to register for the online series. To participate, you will need a computer made in the last five years and have a stable internet connection. The cost for the series is \$25. Some counties are offering hands-on lessons for graduates of Preserve the Taste of Summer, so be sure to contact your local WSU Extension office for more information.

Information for Focus Newsletter: News articles or other information for the 4-H Focus should be sent to the Extension office by the 20th of each month. Please send the information by mail to 228 West Main St., MS-CH-12, Goldendale, WA 98620, by fax: 509-773-5707 or e-mail klickitat4h@wsu.edu.



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4-H Volunteer Leader Requirements for Klickitat County

Volunteers are the heart of 4-H! You make all the difference in the world. Whether you want to be a club leader or work with youth on a short-term project, there's a role for you in 4-H.

The goal of 4-H is to help youth develop critical life skills as individuals and as responsible, productive citizens in their communities. Adult volunteers who spend time with 4-H youth are key in this process. They form the foundation on which productive citizens are made.

How to become a 4-H volunteer:

1. Klickitat County WSU Extension requires all individuals to complete a Volunteer Application.
 2. Be screened and interviewed through the Extension Office before becoming a 4-H volunteer (leader). A part of the screening process is a criminal history check by the Washington State Patrol prior to becoming a volunteer leader.
 3. All 4-H volunteers are required to read and sign a 4-H Volunteer Agreement form that outlines a code of conduct.
 4. New leaders and volunteers must also participate in at least 6 hours of training provided by the Klickitat County Extension Office.
 5. Fill out an enrollment form for the current 4-H year and pay the annual insurance fee of \$1 or \$2 (horse project).
- **The Klickitat County 4-H Program requires volunteers to receive six hours of additional training each year.** Volunteers submit a training log with their re-enrollments each year. Training options are shared at New Leader Training and through the Focus newsletter.

As part of new volunteer training:

- Individuals learn how to recognize and properly respond to suspected **CHILD ABUSE** and neglect.
- The training will also help to clarify what WSU 4-H expects of its volunteers and the many **RESOURCES** available to volunteers through their local Extension Office and the State 4-H Office.
- The ultimate goal is to provide a safe environment for all children through **RISK MANAGEMENT TRAINING.**
- Provide a positive learning experience for both 4-H members by learning about the **AGES AND STAGES OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT.**
- Understanding **"WHAT IS 4-H"**.
- The use of **4-H NAME AND EMBLEM.**
- How to handle **CLUB FINANCES.**

Following these requirements protects youth by providing them a safe environment and protecting leaders through WSU liability insurance.

All **direct** volunteers must have a background check!

A direct volunteer is anyone that has contact with youth.

* Main Club leaders are responsible for informing new club volunteers about requirements for volunteering.

An **indirect** volunteer might be a person that is on a board, a resource person, on a committee or doing a one hour program with supervision from another screened volunteer. It is prudent to do a background check on indirect volunteers if there will be an occasion for them to be alone with children at any time.

Please call Lisa Harness, 4-H Program Manager, at 509-773-5817 if you have questions about these 4-H volunteer requirements or would like to become a volunteer in our 4-H Program.

WA State 4-H Volunteer Hours Reporting

A review of information and training about the WSU Volunteer Hours Reporting database will be presented at the November 1 Planning Day event. Because enrolled 4-H volunteers are eligible for L&I coverage, Washington State Department of Labor & Industries now requires WSU to ensure that volunteers are indeed working on behalf of the University. A 4-H Volunteer Hours Reporting System information page has been set up at: <http://4h.wsu.edu/volntr/reporhours.html>.

Reporting your volunteer hours makes you eligible for L & I coverage for any potential injuries you might sustain in your role as a 4-H volunteer. Additionally, the total number of reported hours for each county will be made available to State and local 4-H programs to use in grant applications and information to legislators about the value of 4-H volunteer commitment.

The Volunteer Hours Reporting System is an on-line database and the preferred method for 4-H volunteers to record their 4-H volunteer hours. However, we understand that many people in Klickitat County do not have access to high-speed internet service, so alternative reporting options are available including a paper-based worksheet. This worksheet can be filled out and turned into your county Extension office. Volunteers can enter their data on-line at the Extension office as well.

If you are an enrolled Klickitat County 4-H volunteer and wish to enter your volunteer hours online but have not received an Hours Reporting user name and password, contact Lisa Harness at 509-773-5817. This reporting system for volunteer hours went into effect on October 1, 2009. Thank for your participation and understanding!

E-Learning for 4-H Volunteers on State 4-H Website

E-Learning for 4-H Volunteers is basic information about 4-H, how to get started as a leader, learning about positive youth development, leadership and teaching. Each module will take about 20 minutes. A high-speed internet connection is best; on dial-up, it will just take several minutes for the modules to download. You can do all 4 modules at once or do them individually. The modules are always available for review, too.

After completing a 10 question review at the end of each module, you can print out a Certificate of Completion. When participants click on Submit, a message will go to the State 4-H Office. County 4-H offices will be notified when an individual has completed each module. This site is available 24/7: to get started, go to <http://4h.wsu.edu/volntr/elearning.htm>. This is an excellent source of information about 4-H for all leaders, parents and even members!

THIS DOES NOT REPLACE THE VOLUNTEER APPLICATION PROCESS. For specific Klickitat County 4-H leader requirements, see the article at the top of page 3 or call Lisa Harness at 509-773-5817.

Klickitat County 4-H Calendar of Upcoming Events

NOVEMBER 2014

- 1 4-H Planning Day for Klickitat County 4-H Program, 9am to 3pm, Goldendale Grange
- 10 4-H Family Living leaders meeting, 6:30pm, Goldendale Grange hall
- 11 4-H Craft Day Workshop, 9am to noon, Goldendale Grange
- 11 Veterans' Day Holiday – County offices closed
- 15 4-H Record Book Workshop for Updated Project Record Pages, 9am to noon, Goldendale Grange
- 18 Fair Board meeting, 6pm, Klickitat County Fairgrounds
- 20 Horse Leaders' Meeting, 6:30pm, Lyle
- 27, 28 Thanksgiving – County offices closed
- 24 4-H Leaders' Council Meeting, 4-H leader training at 6:30pm, meeting at 7pm, 4-H Room, KC Fairgrounds

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- 1 4-H re-enrollments, insurance, club financial summaries, volunteer hours/training logs due

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