



THE 4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS CAN BE FOUND AT THE END OF THIS NEWSLETTER

2013 Klickitat County Leader of the Year Announced

Congratulations to Mike Woodward, our 2013 Leader of the Year! Mike has been a volunteer leader in the Mt. Adams Community 4-H club in Glenwood for 11 years and the Beef Project leader for several years during that time. Mike is known for literally “going the extra mile” and transporting beef project youth to educational events throughout the area. He takes the time to encourage beef project youth to challenge themselves and grow in the 4-H program through education while also having the opportunity to learn valuable life skills.

Mike will be honored at the 2013 WA State 4-H Leaders Forum on Friday, October 25, 2013 in Vancouver, WA and will have the opportunity to attend workshops and other events there. Please join us in giving Mike a tremendous “Thank you!” for all of his dedication to “Making The Best Better”! See page 2 for Forum information.

September 27-29, 2013 - Klickitat County 4-H Adult Horse Camp

The Klickitat County 4-H Adult Horse Camp will be held September 27-29, 2013 at the Klickitat County Fairgrounds in Goldendale, WA. Adult participants will learn about horsemanship, develop skills to use with 4-H youth and have a good time with their horse and greet friends both old and new. Registration includes all meals from Thursday night through breakfast and lunch on Sunday.

A variety of discipline choices are available. Registration is \$275 (for six 2-hour classes) plus \$30 for each stall needed. **You must provide your own shavings. Do not bring straw.** Another class may be added for an additional \$60 for all three days. Offered again this year as an option is three (3) days of trail riding in the Simcoe Mountains. All participants will need to complete a registration and health form; forms are available at the Extension office or online at www.klickitat.wsu.edu under “Upcoming Events”. For more information call Nancy Beyerlin at 509-773-4746.

4-H Horse Leaders Meeting on Thursday, September 19

The next 4-H Horse Leader meeting will be on Thursday, September 19 at 6:30pm in Lyle at the Lyle Activity Center (on 3rd street and Hwy 14). Carpooling may be available from Goldendale. Contact Pat Shamek at 541-993-9560 or Lisa Harness at 509-773-5817 for further details.

Interested 4-H leaders, parents and 4-H horse members who would like to be a part of planning events and education for our county horse program will want to attend these meetings. This is a good way to stay up-to-date on current 4-H Horse project information, too.

4-H Awards and Recognition: 4-H Achievement Day is Sunday, September 29

Mark your calendars! The Annual 4-H Achievement Day will be held on Sunday, September 29 from 5pm to 7pm at the Goldendale Grange (new hall). Dinner will be provided beginning at 5pm. Spaghetti, bread and salad will be served. Each family is also asked to bring a dozen cookies for refreshments.

Even if 4-H members did not submit a record book for county awards judging, 4-H clubs are encouraged to attend and present a short summary of what their members did during the past year. This is a great time to present and recognize all the great things Klickitat County youth and leaders have accomplished this year!

4-H Leader recognition and appreciation will also take place at this event to honor volunteers for their years of service so plan to attend and help us celebrate.

Enrollment packets will be given to main 4-H club leaders on this day. Enrollment packets will not be mailed. Exhibits that went to State Fair will be available for pickup as well as record books and other 4-H exhibits that were not picked up after county fair. Volunteers are needed to help with this event. Contact Lisa at the Extension office at 509-773-5817.

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.

2013 Washington State 4-H Leaders' Forum – “Exploring New Possibilities”

Mark your calendars! The 2013 State 4-H Forum will be held **October 25-27** in Vancouver, WA at the Hilton Hotel and Convention Center. This year's Forum includes: **Friday** will be day-long track workshops, annual District meetings, and the Volunteer Recognition Banquet/Hall of Fame Induction. **Saturday** will feature lots of workshop sessions, the annual 4-H Alumni Reception, and 4-H Charity Auction/Dinner. **Sunday** will be devoted to the 4-H Council Meeting, with District elections of State Advisory Board and State Fair Board representation and committee meetings to review recommendations and discuss project issues.

During the Forum, participants will have the opportunity to network with other volunteers, give input into the Washington State 4-H Program and hone skills through a variety of workshops. The forum website, <http://4h.wsu.edu/conferences/Forum/index.htm>, has complete registration details and workshop information. Early registration ends October 4 – register early to take advantage before the registration rate increases. Special room rates are available for Forum participants until October 1st or until the group block of rooms is sold-out, whichever comes first. Carpooling will be an option, so plan to go! Call the Extension office for details.

Celebrate National 4-H Week, October 6-12, 2013

Start planning how your club can celebrate National 4-H Week, October 6-12, 2013. This would be a great opportunity for clubs and individuals to share with their community about the 4-H program. Send letters of appreciation to those people who have helped make your 4-H experience great or have donated support to your club. You could also celebrate the successes that your group has achieved in a club meeting doing 4-H work.

SE District Teen Rally - “Where Old Meets New”

Grant-Adams County is hosting this year's SE District 4-H Teen Rally! It will be held at Camp Delany, Sun Lakes, WA on October 18-20. The cost is \$75.00, which includes lodging, all meals, costs for additional off site adventures and a T-shirt. It's going to be an amazing weekend filled with fun as you explore the old Washington Territory, hike to Lenore Caves, explore the museum overlooking historic Dry Falls, do leadership activities, have a blast at a western dance (western outfit: pioneer, cowboy, Native American), and create a dream catcher.

Registration deadline is September 25. Early registration is encouraged as space is limited. Hope to see you there! For more information and registration forms, visit the Grant-Adams County Extension website www.grant-adams.wsu.edu or call 509-574-2011, ext 413.

Klickitat County 4-H Calendar of Upcoming Events

September 2013

6-22	Washington State 4-H Fair, Puyallup, WA
17	Fair Board meeting, 7pm, Klickitat County Fairgrounds
19	4-H Horse Leaders meeting, 6:30pm in Lyle, Lyle Activity Center
27-29	Adult Horse Camp, Klickitat County Fairgrounds
29	Klickitat County 4-H Awards and Achievement Program, 5-7pm, Goldendale Grange (new hall)
30	4-H Leaders' Council: training at 6:30pm, meeting at 7pm, 4-H room, Klickitat Co. Fairgrounds

October 2013

6-12	National 4-H Week
14	4-H Family Living leaders meeting, 6:30pm, Goldendale Grange hall
15	Fair Board meeting, 7pm, Klickitat County Fairgrounds
17	4-H Horse Leaders meeting, 6:30pm in Lyle, Lyle Activity Center
25-27	WA State 4-H Leaders' Forum, Vancouver, WA
28	Leaders' Council: training at 6:30 pm; meeting at 7 pm

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2	4-H Planning Day for Klickitat County
11	Veteran's Day – County offices closed
28, 29	Thanksgiving – County offices closed

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills.