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Other ways to connect with Washington State 4-H through social media:

>>> Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WashingtonState4H/>

>>> Twitter: <https://twitter.com/wastate4h>

New calendar features! Available online at <http://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/calendar/>

2017 SPRING CLOVER CAMPAIGN - April 26th through May 7th

The Tractor Supply Company Spring Clover Campaign will be held from Wednesday, April 26th – Sunday, May 7th. We encourage all 4-H members and their leaders to participate in this very generous fundraising event put on by Tractor Supply Company nation-wide. Individual members or clubs can set up a date and time to educate the public, showcase the members or club's projects, or help carry purchase out for customers. The more participation, the better the fundraising results will be. Thank you for thinking of creative ways to show our pride for our 4-H program and the wonderful projects the members are involved with and also show our appreciation to Tractor Supply Company for supporting the 4-H Program of Grays Harbor!

Consider setting up a club display, have a bake sale, bring an educational poster and invite friends and family to support 4-H by donating \$1 at checkout. 100% of each dollar goes to the 4-H Youth Development Program. 70% of all funds collected support local and state 4-H programs right here in Grays Harbor County. Stores that have participation from 4-H clubs raise an average of 40% more revenue. Call Tracie if you would like to participate in this important event. (360)482-2934.

GHYLA QUALITY ASSURANCE MEETINGS – May 3rd at 5 or 6:30 pm

Mandatory Quality Assurance Meeting held at the Elma High School Library. For your convenience, two time slots are available: 5pm -or- 6:30pm. Grays Harbor Youth Livestock Auction participants (4-H and FFA members) must attend with an adult, parent, leader, or advisor.

PORK QUALITY ASSURANCE CLASS (OTHER LIVESTOCK, TOO) - Sunday, May 7th

Lewis County 4-H Swine would like to invite all Washington youth to come take part in a Pork Quality Assurance Class at the Spring Youth Fair, May 7th, 2017 at 12 PM, on the Southwest Washington Fairgrounds, Chehalis, WA. For information and to RSVP call Barbara Soto 360-520-1311.

This class is being sponsored by the WA Pork Board. Our presenter will be Sara Smith from the Washington State Pork Producers and WSU Extension Grant/Adams County. All youth are welcome 4-H and FFA, does not matter if you are showing a pig in Washington, Oregon, or Idaho you are invited to participate.

ANIMAL MANAGEMENT & OWNERSHIP DEADLINES – May through June

More information is available at (<http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/>) under section 9, "Animal Management and Ownership." Section 9.6 States: Animals must be under the 4-H member's regular care and management for the following periods of time prior to the official county exhibit activity, including junior livestock shows (*dates listed in parenthesis are approximate and vary based on annual county exhibit dates*):

Breeding Beef - 90 days (May 1st in GH) (May 9th in 2017)

Equine - 90 days (May 1st in GH) (May 9th in 2017)

Llama - 90 days (May 1st in GH) (May 9th in 2017)

Dairy - 90 days (May 1st in GH) (May 9th in 2017)

Dairy Heifer Replacement - 60 days (June 1st in GH (June 9th in 2017))

Goat - 60 days (June 1st in GH (June 9th in 2017))

Sheep and Swine (Breeding and Market) - 60 days (June 1st in GH (June 9th in 2017))

Cats - 60 days (June 1st in GH (June 9th in 2017))

Dogs - 60 days (June 1st in GH (June 9th in 2017))

Cavies - 45 days (June 15th in GH (June 24th in 2017))

Rabbits and Poultry - 45 days (June 15th in GH (June 24th in 2017))

Animals raised by the 4-H member from birth or hatching are exempt from the minimum time periods.

DISCOVER 4-H COMMUNITY OUTREACH EVENTS

4-H Outreach Assistant, Vicky is busy gearing up for several fun events in the community. Please join her and share this information with your friends and family;

- May 24, June 21, July 19 4:30pm – 6:00pm @ Memorial Hall. Explore the Four H's – Head, Hands, Heart, and Health.
- June 4 11:00am – 3:00pm @ Bayshore Preserve. Create a unique fish print and learn about the wonders of water at Oakland Bay Day.

CONGRATULATIONS ROBOTICS TEAM

Great things are happening with a team of curious and creative students and adults in Ocosta! The 4-H Robotics Team 11121, Fishy Business Inc. (FBI) has spent the past few months preparing to meet the challenge set forth in this year's FIRST FTC challenge "Velocity Vortex". Combining the excitement of sport with the rigors of science and technology, robotics is the ultimate sport for the mind. After returning from a successful trip to the Interleague Tournament as 1st Seed Captain and receiving the Think Award, the team went on to earn the Control Award and become the 4th Seed Qualifying team at the WA State Championship.

Finishing as the Division Winner at the West Super-Regional event was a huge victory for the team, and qualified them to compete in the World Championship in Houston, Texas. Embraced by the Grays Harbor Community, the team raised funds and headed to Texas to compete with teams from around the world at the April 19-22 FIRST Robotics World Championship! With just six team members making the trip, Team 11121 found itself competing against teams many times their size,

which is a reminder that every member is essential to the team and its success. Before the competitions began, the team was lucky enough to meet the co-founder of FIRST, Dr. Woodie Flowers of MIT. For more information about this team, visit <https://www.facebook.com/FTC11121/>

SUMMER CAMPING OPPORTUNITIES

Camp staffs have been working hard to present outstanding camps this summer!

> **4-H Horse Camp.** 4-H members enrolled in the Horsemanship project enjoy a week of overnight camping, education and recreation with their horses. Camp runs from June 20 – 25, 2017 and is packed full of educational workshops, fun camping traditions, and memories that will last a lifetime. Mason County 4-H Horse Camp registrations are now available at <http://extension.wsu.edu/mason/4-h-youth-families/>. Registration opens to out-of-county campers (including Grays Harbor County) on May 10. Deadline for registration is June 9. Please share this information with your county horse project members

> **4-H Summer Camp.** Looking for some adventure blended with a traditional camping experience? Campers spend the week enjoying a myriad of activities, including swimming, hiking, arts, music, cooking, and making new friends! Awaken to birds singing and fall asleep to the stars (or exhaustion). Bring your positive energy and your sense of adventure! Camp runs July 9-14, 2017. Registration forms will be available soon at <http://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/camping/>

LIFEGUARDS NEEDED

Are you a certified lifeguard? Do you know someone who is a certified lifeguard? We are looking for lifeguards to work our summer camping programs. Contact Leanne 360-490-8793 if you can help.

PANHANDLE CAMP VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

... submitted by Panhandle Board Representative to GH 4-H Council. For more info, call (360)426-6323

The Panhandle Board and manager are working to organize “work camps” where we have a cooking staff provide food, volunteers stay overnight, and we have daily projects for them to work on over a period of days. These are some ideas we are working on.

- Take an inventory of paddles and lifejackets.
- Build a wooden map of the camp - This would be a great project for volunteers with artistic tendencies, but this would have to be completed over a period of days or weeks.
- Rebuilding the trail bridge that's collapsing could be done with volunteers and professional staff supervision if there was a group interested in engineering.
- Forestry maintenance - The forestry projects are almost infinite and could keep groups of volunteers busy for one day or ten! The nice thing about the forestry projects is that we could accommodate a group of five or twenty-five. We could keep the group busy for one day or several.

To schedule your group for some volunteer jobs, please call the camp manager at 360-426-6323.

LEARN HOW TO SHOW DOGS IN 4-H – May & June dates

Do you know a youth who is interested in learning about everything they will encounter in the 4-H dog show ring? Please join veteran 4-H senior members for a series of fun and informative classes that will cover working as a team with your dog, sportsmanship, rules, etiquette, herdsmanship, classes, proper equipment, preparing for fair, and so much more!

These sessions are free and will take place from 12:00pm – 2:00pm at Memorial Hall on the following dates:

May 21

June 18

For additional information contact jessica18schreiber@gmail.com.

STATE 4-H FAIR SMALL ANIMAL & LIVESTOCK SCHEDULE

The Livestock and Small Animal Schedule for the 2017 Washington State 4-H Fair has been confirmed as follows:

CATS - arrive Sept 7-8, depart Sept 11

DOG OBEDIENCE - daily shows, Sept 14-22; championship finals, Sept 23-24

RABBITS/CAVIES - arrive Sept 15 - 6-9 a.m.; depart Sept 18 at 6 p.m.

LIVESTOCK (beef, dairy, llama, sheep, swine, goats) - arrive Thurs, Sept 14 - 6-9 a.m.; depart Sun, Sept 16 at 6 p.m.

STATE 4-H FAIR EQUINE DATES

The WA State 4-H Fair Board finalized the equine schedule for the 2017 fair. The schedule is as follows:

Sept 5 - Senior Harness and Dressage will arrive 5-7pm

Sept 7 - Senior Harness and Dressage will depart at 2pm; Senior Performance will arrive 5-7pm

Sept 11 - Senior Performance will depart at 2 p.m.

Sept 12 - Intermediate Western Games will arrive 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Sept 14 - Intermediate Western Games will depart at 2 p.m. Senior Western Games will arrive 5-7 pm

Sept 18 - Senior Western Games will depart at 2 p.m.

Sept 19 - Intermediate Harness and Dressage will arrive 5-7 p.m.

Sept 21 - Intermediate Harness and Dressage will depart at 2 p.m. Intermediate Performance will arrive 5-7 p.m.

Sept 24 - Intermediate Performance will depart beginning at 4 p.m.

Additional Equine Dates:

Sept 9 - Equine Judging Contest

Sept 9 - Groom Squad

Sept 10 - National Equine Presentation Contest

WA 4-H FORUM, MAKE A SPLASH! – October 20-22nd

It's time to "Make a Splash" with the 2017 Washington 4-H Forum!

Make your reservations with the Great Wolf Lodge Grand Mound, WA today to get the best rate*

Group Rate is: \$99.00 per room per night. More info available at: <http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/forum-volunteers/washington-state-4-h-forum/hotel-reservations/>

We have two separate you tube videos to share for Forum:

1) our traditional type of video <https://youtu.be/IUisYMkSFv4>

2) Our KYG video <https://youtu.be/khiktW-QwsM>

If you would like to teach a workshop at forum this year please follow this link and fill out a proposal form <http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2017/02/Forum-RFP2017-Final.pdf>

Also we created this questionnaire to get a better idea of what people may want to see for Forum Workshops. <https://goo.gl/forms/x7iOLFW0CQxwu3842>

4-H PROGRAM ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR POSITION POSTED

The 4-H Program Associate Director position has posted to the HR website. You can direct people to the official site to apply at <https://www.wsujobs.com/postings/30908>

4-H teaches life skills that lead young people to become self-directing, positive, contributing members of our society. Extension programs are available to all without discrimination. Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through your local Extension office. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication or program information or reasonable accommodation need to contact Tracie Hanson at PO Box 3018, Elma, WA 98541, (360)482-2934, tracie.hanson@wsu.edu at least two weeks prior to the event.

Our county is partnering with neighboring counties—the Constellation group of Mason, Pacific, Lewis, Thurston, etc., to send out e-newsletters. Some articles are from other counties, and include helpful information or invitations to participate in local, regional, or statewide events. Please read carefully.

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Disclaimer: By posting the above "free to a good home" information, WSU Grays Harbor County Extension 4-H does not endorse or give approval for any of these free animals to be used as 4-H project animals. Contact the animal owners at your own risk.

Cooperating agencies: Washington State University, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Grays Harbor County Extension.

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