

WSU Extension Grays Harbor County 4-H Youth Development News for December 26, 2018

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IMPORTANT DATES More events and info on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/graysharbor4h/>

January 7 Grays Harbor County 4-H Horse Council Committee Meeting, WSU Extension office, 6 pm

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<https://www.facebook.com/events/249936505542086/>

January 12 GH & Mason County 4-H Host Cat Project Workshop (GH WSU Extension Office) & Dog Project Workshop (GHC Fairgrounds Dog Barn / Borden-Seabert Exhibition Building), 1:30 pm

January 14 GH 4-H Council Executive Board Meeting, WSU Extension office, 6 pm

January 21 WSU Extension office CLOSED in Observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day

QUARTERLY REPORT

WSU Extension Grays Harbor County serves the residents of Washington State by creating and delivering targeted research-based knowledge and education. It's a mission the organization and its dedicated specialists have refined over the past century. Part of that process is communicating results. These reports provide accounts of how our programs empower participants to better their lives. We hope these reports inspire you to join at least one of our programs or events, share your story, and provide feedback. Your involvement will help us improve our responsiveness and reach more individuals. View or download our current Quarterly Report at <https://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/community-impact/>

TIME TO RE-ENROLL

It is a new 4-H year, so all youth members and adult volunteers must log into 4HOnline and update their profiles in order to re-enroll for the new 4-H year. Step-by-step instructions and a link to the 4HOnline enrollment site can be found on our website at <https://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/forms/> There are two options for payment of the \$25 Washington State 4-H enrollment fee. You may pay with a card online during the enrollment process, or select check and deliver a check payable to WSU to the Extension Office. Enrollments will remain pending until payment is received. Re-enrollment is due prior to December 1. Please contact Tracie at 360-482-2934 or tracie.hanson@wsu.edu if you need assistance or have any questions.

EXPLORE 4-H

Are you curious about what 4-H has to offer...how about starting with learning about cats and dogs and how these 4-H projects and activities can lead to youth learning valuable life skills. Please join us for a free Explore 4-H Cats and Dogs session on Saturday, January 12 at 1:30 pm at the Grays Harbor Extension Office 32 Elma McCleary Road Elma, WA 98541. This event is open to all youth ages 5 – 18, we hope to see you there! Visit us at <https://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/> and <https://www.facebook.com/events/327588501166893/>

GRAYS HARBOR YOUTH LIVESTOCK AUCTION - UPDATED RULES

Now available at <https://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/links/>

STATE 4-H FAIR EQUINE POSITIONS OPEN Submitted by Tom Gwin

Steve Vonderau, Equine Coordinator at the WA State 4-H Fair, retired from his position following the 2018 fair. The WA State 4-H Fair Board reviewed the position and decided to split the position into a Pre/Post Fair Position, and Superintendent positions for each of the equine sections during the fair. By breaking the coordinator position up into several smaller positions, we hope to see an increased interest in filling one of the shorter term positions.

The job descriptions for the positions are attached, along with an application form for interested persons. The schedule for the 2019 fair is as follows:

Sept 4-9	Senior Performance/Dressage Section
Sept 10-11	Harness Section
Sept 12-15	Senior Western Games Section
Sept 15-19	Intermediate Performance/Dressage Section
Sept 19-22	Intermediate Western Games Section

Completed applications are due back to the WA State 4-H Fair office by January 15, 2019. We ask that you forward this information on to your 4-H equine volunteers and other interested persons. Contact Tracie at tracie.hanson@wsu.edu for position description and application.

VOLUNTEER HOURS

If you participated in the Grays Harbor Fair, a 4-H meeting, camp, or helped a member with their project you must report these hours. Reporting of volunteer hour's documents coverage for injuries they might sustain and it is also documentation for the liability coverage WSU provides to its volunteers. All WSU Extension Volunteers must log on to <https://volunteers.cahnrs.wsu.edu/logon.aspx> each month to report hours they worked for any WSU Extension program. Your user name will be your last name and first initial, such as "HansonT" and your initial password is password! (all lower case and include the exclamation point!) Once you log in you will have the option to change your password. For additional information visit the [Reporting Your Volunteer Hours](#) page on our website or contact Tracie 360-482-2934 or tracie.hanson@wsu.edu if you need assistance.

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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