

WSU Extension Grays Harbor County 4-H Youth Development News for February 6, 2019

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

February 9 Explore 4-H Workshop - Making Local Maple Syrup – CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER

February 11 GH 4-H Council Meeting, WSU Extension office, 6 pm

<https://www.facebook.com/events/266195094098481/>

February 12 Rescheduled GH 4-H Horse Council Meeting, WSU Extension office, 6:30 pm

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

February 18 WSU Extension office CLOSED in Observance of Presidents' Day

February 20 GHC Fair Board - Fair Volunteer Meeting, Mike Murphy Pavilion at GHC Fair, 6:30 pm

March 4 Grays Harbor County 4-H Mandatory Horse Council Meeting, WSU Extension office, 6:30 pm

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

March 11 GH 4-H Council Executive Board Meeting, WSU Extension office, 6 pm

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1132799050211517/>

March 27 – April 7 Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Campaign

HAPPY NEW YEAR

As we jump into 2019 with a calendar filled with exciting 4-H events we hope that you will add attendance at the 4-H Council and 4-H Horse Council meetings to your plans. The meetings are the best way to share your ideas, get up to the minute information on upcoming events, deadlines, and help shape the direction of YOUR 4-H program. The meetings are held at the WSU Extension office, and if you aren't able to attend in person, join us with phone or video conferencing option using Zoom technology. We would love to see you on Monday, February 11 and Tuesday, February 12! All 4-H volunteers, youth members, and families are welcome.

EXPLORE NEW PROJECTS – FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY – Save the Dates!

A new 4-H community outreach series is underway. This is your chance to learn more about robots & science, as well as cake decorating & table setting. The Explore 4-H series is free and open to 4-H members as well as families who are interested in learning more about 4-H.

Preregistration is required. Please call Tracie at (360)482-2934 or email tracie.hanson@wsu.edu to register. Sessions are subject to cancellation due to low registration. The series is designed to give families a glimpse into different project areas as well as what 4-H has to offer youth and how youth and adults can get involved. Join us for one or all of these free activities. More information at <https://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/event/explore-4-h/> and <https://www.facebook.com/events/327588501166893/>

February 9 **Making Local Maple Syrup** – *Cancelled due to inclement weather*

Save the dates:

April 27 LEGO Robotics and Science Bugs – **register by April 24**

June 15 Cake Decorating and Kitchen Activities – **register by June 12**

GRAYS HARBOR YOUTH LIVESTOCK AUCTION - UPDATED RULES

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

WATCH WSU WOMEN'S BASKETBALL WITH 4-H PROMO CODE

Mark your calendars for 4-H day with WSU Women's Basketball! March 3, at 12:00pm, the WSU Women's Basketball team will be featuring 4-H, including games for 4-H kids at half-time.

If you'd like to purchase tickets, use promo code "4HDay" and tickets will be only \$3.00! It's never been a better time to watch WSU Women's Basketball.

Purchase tickets here: <https://ev9.venue.net/cgi-bin/incommerce3/SEGetEventList?groupCode=WB&linkID=washst&shopperContext=&caller=&appCode=&template=chocolate>

DONATION OF CANNING JARS

A community member recently donated numerous boxes of jars of all shapes and sizes that can be used for crafts, canning, and more. Contact Tracie or Sue at (360)482-2934 to coordinate a date to pick up jars.

4-H CAMPS 2019 – SAVE THE DATES

Grays Harbor County 4-H Summer Camp will take place July 14-19 at Panhandle Lake 4-H Camp. Online registration will open spring 2019.

4-H HORSE CAMP – SAVE THE DATE

4-H members enrolled in the Horsemanship project enjoy a week of overnight camping, education and recreation with their horses. Camp is packed full of educational workshops, fun camping traditions, and memories that will last a lifetime. The 2019 Mason County 4-H Horse Camp runs June 22-27. Members enjoy a week of equitation, showmanship and western games classes, trail rides, creative arts projects, and fun outdoor activities. Camp is held at beautiful Panhandle Lake 4-H Camp, a 400 acre tree farm located just outside of Shelton Washington. Panhandle amenities include modern dormitories, a 38 stall barn, riding arena, miles of trails, commercial kitchen and dining hall, a rustic lodge and beautiful lakefront areas for swimming. Please consider joining us for a week of fun and learning with your horse. Camp will be limited to the first 30 paid in full, registered campers. Registration will open Spring 2019. ALL REGISTRATIONS WILL BE DONE THROUGH YOUR 4HOnline PROFILE. Visit us at <https://extension.wsu.edu/mason/4-h-youth-families/>. For additional information contact Camp Director Melissa Seals at 360-280-5458 or macohorsecamp@hotmail.com or the Mason County Extension Office at 360-427-9670 Ext. 681.

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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