

**WSU Extension Grays Harbor County 4-H Youth Development
News for July 3, 2019**

Archived versions of the News Blast are available at <http://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/info/>

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

July 4 WSU Extension Office CLOSED in Observance of Independence Day

July 6 4-H Quilting & Clothing Advisors Present "All-American Pie Social," 4-8pm Monte. Community Cntr.

July 12 GHC Fair Pass Orders & Animal Entries **Due to GHC Fairgrounds Staff**

July 14-19 GH 4-H Summer Camp *"Shipwrecked at Panhandle"*

July 15 4-H Horse Project Paperwork Due – **Due to WSU Extension office**, 5pm

(4-H Horse Project Entry Cards, Horse Certificates, Memorial Award Applications, Record Books)

<https://www.facebook.com/events/334814617227480/>

July 17 GHC Fair Volunteer Meeting, 6pm

July 17 4-H Superintendents submit requests for supplies and printed items to WSU Extension (supplies: easels, projectors/screens, extension cords, portable PA systems, sewing machines, coffee pots, etc.) (printed items: scorecards, publications, display graphics, herdsmanship sign-up forms, herdsmanship duties signage, public presentation resources, etc.)

July 22 4-H Goat Clinic, GHC Fairgrounds, 6pm, RSVP to Kathy Brady

July 22 Grays Harbor 4-H Council Meeting, 6pm, Mike Murphy Pavilion, GHC Fairgrounds

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

July 29 - August 2 4-H Educational Posters can be entered at WSU Extension office, 8 am – 5 pm

4-H GOAT PROJECT CLINIC OPPORTUNITY – Monday, July 22nd

... submitted by Kathy Brady, (360)480-4284

This Clinic is open to 4-H members in Grays Harbor and Mason Counties planning to exhibit their goat project at the Grays Harbor County Fair this year, or those who are interested in participating next year.

You will learn information about fitting and showmanship as well as fair preparation and the 4-H judging contest. This will be a great opportunity to learn how to prepare yourself and your goat for the Grays Harbor County Fair. Join us July 22nd at 6 pm in the Grays Harbor County Fairgrounds livestock arena.

Please RSVP to Kathy Brady (GH Fair Goat Superintendent) at (360) 480-4284 (call or text) to let Kathy know the name of the member(s) planning to attend the clinic.

4-H CLUBS INVITED TO SHARE YOUR STORY AT SUMMER CAMP

... submitted by Taylor Sample, GH 4-H Camp Director, tsample1993@gmail.com

Attention all Grays Harbor 4-H Clubs. The Grays Harbor 4-H Camp Committee would like to invite all 4-H Clubs to come out on the first day of camp, Sunday, July 14th. We are seeking presenters to represent local 4-H clubs. The first day of camp involves waiting in line to check in all our campers. During this wait, campers and parents alike get bored of waiting in line. Our goal is to have clubs set up on tables along the line of parents and campers. As they move forward in line, they will get an opportunity to talk with current 4-H members about their projects. The hope is that this will increase interest in joining 4-H with some of our non 4-H campers. For more information, contact Taylor at (360)470-4870 or tsample1993@gmail.com.

4-H FAIR RESOURCES ONLINE

With July in full swing, 4-H members and volunteers are headed to the 2019 Grays Harbor County Fair soon. Will you be joining us? We sure hope so! This is always an opportunity for 4-H members, families, and clubs to have fun and learn together, so you and your family probably have a few questions. We are here to help you navigate your way to a great fair experience.

Please read the information carefully, and if you have further questions, just ask!

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> **Fair Details Letter** - from WSU Extension Staff

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THE BASICS

- Fair dates are August 7-11.
- Fair theme is "How Country Feels".
- Fair colors are barn red, grass green, brown and white.
- Please consider the fair theme and colors when planning your decorations.

FAIR PASSES

- Enrolled 4-H members and leaders are eligible to purchase daily or season fair passes.
- All passes must be pre-ordered using the Grays Harbor Fair Pass Order Form.
- Each club will submit a Grays Harbor Fair Pass Order Form with payment for parent, leader, or member passes to the GHC Fairgrounds office no later than July 12.

CAMPING AT THE FAIR

- Overnight camping is available at the fair beginning Sunday, August 4.
- Each site is \$50 for the week and includes one season parking pass.
- Camping rules and reservation form are available on our website (accepted beginning June 14th).
- Direct all camping questions to the Grays Harbor Fair staff 360-482-2651.

FAIR ACTIVITIES FOR 4-H MEMBERS

- There are many fun kitchen activities open to Junior, Intermediate, and Senior members. Consider signing up for Lunch on the Go, My Favorite Foods, Table Setting, Bread Making, and more. Just submit an Activities Registration Form by July 12.
- Cloverbuds may participate in Table Setting, and/or Lunch on the Go. Just submit an Activities Registration Form no later than July 12.
- Judging contests include most animals, art, food, clothing, garden & more! Include your choice on the Still Life Entry Form, due August 4.
- Clothing project members may participate in Fashion Revue, Creative Consumers, and \$10 Challenge. Registration due July 12.
- Get ready to present your Public Presentation, Equine Presentation, or Commodity Presentation. Registration due July 12.

EXHIBITING AT FAIR

- Grab an Exhibitor's Guide at <http://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/links/> and read the Department rules, as well as the Section rules for the class(es) that you plan to enter. This will help you to avoid surprises or disappointments when you arrive with your exhibit.
- Members may exhibit or compete only in the projects in which they are enrolled, except when specifically allowed in classes such as Division E, Section 4 (Photography classes 24-28) and Division K, Section 1 (4-H Scrapbooks).
- All state and county 4-H policies apply during the fair.
- Check the class rules outlined in the Exhibitors Guide to make sure how many items may be entered by a member in any one class; this could range from one item to multiples.
- If you have questions please ask – we will help you find the answer.

STILL LIFE EXHIBITS

- Follow these easy steps;
 1. Use the Exhibitor's Guide to determine specific info about the way each entry is categorized, such as Division/Section/Class and any additional steps or forms that need to be completed.

2. Write the appropriate Division/Section Class info on each exhibit tag.
 3. Organize entries by Section, and use a separate 4-H Still Life & Contest Entry form for each section. Complete each form using the same info and description as written on the Exhibit Tag. Make sure that the exhibitor signs their name and that contact info is clear.
 4. Complete the additional forms as needed for photography, textiles, creative arts, canned or dried foods, etc.
 5. Submit exhibits on 4-H entry days; Sunday, August 4 for most exhibits. Tuesday, August 6 for plant science exhibits. **** New this year **** Educational Poster Exhibits can also be submitted early at the WSU Extension office in Elma during normal business hours from July 29 – Aug 2
 6. Bring your friends and family to the fair and showcase your exhibits. ☺
 7. Bring claim tickets to pick up exhibits after fair closes on Sunday.
 8. Exhibits receiving a blue ribbon placing qualify to be exhibited at the State 4-H Fair in Puyallup in September.
- ***You can help expedite your entry process by completing the required forms and tags prior to arrival on exhibit entry day. Forms and tags are available at the Extension Office.***
 - Don't forget the 3 x 5 cards that many still life entries require. More info available online.
 - Cloverbud exhibitors will need to connect with the Superintendent upon arrival.

ANIMAL EXHIBITS

- Read your section rules, noting any rules regarding health requirements or certificates, number of entries, exhibitor meetings, attire, herdsmanship, equipment, etc.
- Animal Entry Forms are due to the GHC Fairgrounds staff no later than July 12. Forms are available on our website at <http://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/links/>
- If you have questions for the Department Superintendent, we can provide contact info.
- Animal entry times are Tuesday, August 6, 2:00-8:00, except rabbits and poultry, which are 2:00-7:00 on Tuesday.
- Cat entry times are Saturday, August 10, 8:00-10:00 am.
- All animals are to be left outside of the 4-H barn until checked by the veterinarian. Please come prepared to keep animals and exhibitors cool and hydrated.

EQUINE EXHIBITORS

- Equine exhibitors must have satisfied their clinic and volunteer hour requirements prior to exhibiting at the fair.
- Equine Entry Forms are due no later than July 15.
- Equine entry time is Tuesday, August 6 2:00-4:00.
- Judging is mandatory for all exhibitors. Contest is set for Tuesday, August 6 @ 4:45.
- Mandatory equine exhibitor meeting following judging contest.

The Grays Harbor County 4-H community is excited to partner with Mason County 4-H again this year to provide an opportunity for 4-H members to exhibit their projects and showcase their achievements side by side at the Grays Harbor County Fair in August 2019. This is very exciting for our program, and means there will be new families to connect with as well as new opportunities for fun and learning that every Grays Harbor and Mason County 4-H family will experience. It also means that the Mason County 4-H community will be sharing volunteer time and talents with the Grays Harbor 4-H community to help where they can and where they are needed. Thank you for helping us to welcome the Mason County 4-H community and for helping every 4-H family have a positive experience as we get set to head to fair!

BE A PART OF THE GHC FAIR OPENING CEREMONIES – Wed. August 7th

4-H members of all ages are invited to welcome the community to the Grays Harbor County Fair during the official opening ceremony at 6 pm on Wednesday August 7th. A big thanks to those youth who can help by leading the 4-H Pledge!

To express your interest or for more information, contact Tracie at tracie.hanson@wsu.edu

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/>

4-H CAKE DECORATING TEAM CHALLENGE

Inviting teams of 4-6 4-H members to participate in the first ever 4-H fair cake decorating challenge! Open to all currently enrolled Grays Harbor/Mason County 4-H members regardless of in what project they're enrolled. Teams must sign up by Sunday, August 4th. Time of actual cake decorating will be flexible, depending on member schedules and kitchen availability. However, decorating must be completed by Saturday evening of fair (closing time).

The cake must be representative of the fair theme "How Country Feels" and must contain some reference to 4-H. All decorations on cake must be edible.

Cakes will be displayed August 11th during the Cowboy Breakfast and will be available to purchase through a silent auction. Proceeds to benefit the Grays Harbor/Mason County 4-H Program.

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 hours 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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