

**WSU Extension Grays Harbor County 4-H Youth Development
News for October 7, 2020**

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

October 1 New 4-H Year Begins!

October 7 – 18 Fall Paper Clover Campaign, Tractor Supply Company

October 13, 20, 27, etc. 4-H Virtual Office Hours, 2 pm (*Tuesdays*)

Call in to +1(253)215-8782, using Meeting ID 510 781 379 or

use **One Tap Mobile**: +12532158782,,510781379, or once you have created a free Zoom account,

Join us with Meeting ID 510 781 379, or use the following link: <https://wsu.zoom.us/j/510781379>

October 15 Mandatory GH 4-H Club Kickoff Meeting, 5:30 pm, followed by GH 4-H Council Meeting

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October 30 Pumpkin Decorating Contest Entries Due

<https://www.facebook.com/graysharbor4h/photos/p.3312461642134723/3312461642134723/>

November 11 WSU Extension Office CLOSED in Observance of Veterans Day

November 26 & 27 WSU Extension Office CLOSED in Observance of Thanksgiving Day

December 1 New 4-H Year Club Paperwork Due

December 24 & 25 WSU Extension Office CLOSED in Observance of Christmas

KICK-OFF MEETING – CLUB PARTICIPATION REQUIRED

We look forward to seeing a representative from each club at the October 15 4-H Club Kick-off, followed by the GH 4-H Council meeting. We will share information on the new 4-H year and hear how we can support you as we head into a new 4-H year. Please let Tracie know if you are unable to send a club representative.

4-H FOR YOU KITS ARE HERE – THEY'RE FREE

Fall is here and we are excited to offer the first edition of 4-H FOR YOU! What is 4-H FOR YOU? It's the 4-H way to explore a fun new topic each month. We provide detailed curriculum and basic supplies, while you get to set the pace as you work your way through a series of activities designed for your family to spend time learning and playing together. Leaders, while we can't meet face-to-face this would make a great virtual club project! please encourage your club members to participate! The activities are appropriate for all 4-H members.

The first kit is all about Emergency Preparedness and Surviving a Zombie Apocalypse. You will work your way through a series of activities related to emergencies, first aid, and more! You will also learn how a survival bracelet can serve as an excellent addition to your emergency kit. We have included supplies to make your very own Paracord survival bracelet in the kit.

To reserve your free kit please visit <https://tinyurl.com/y3a2k95n> and complete the reservation information. (Limit one kit per family/household) You will be notified via email when your bag is ready to be picked up at the WSU/Grays Harbor County Extension Office. If you have questions, please email Tracie at tracie.hanson@wsu.edu.

CELEBRATE NATIONAL 4-H WEEK OCTOBER 4-10

This week, the Board of County Commissioners for Grays Harbor County proclaimed October 4-10 to be National 4-H Week in Grays Harbor County. 4-H was founded on the belief that when kids are empowered to pursue their passions and chart their own course, their unique skills grow and take shape, helping them to become true leaders in their lives, careers and communities! You can celebrate the positive impact that 4-H has had on your family during National 4-H Week by promoting 4-H on social media, wearing your 4-H shirt, or decorating your driveway.

TRACTOR SUPPLY FALL CLOVER DAYS

The Fall 2020 Paper Clover Fundraiser at Tractor Supply Company is just around the corner! While we are unable to have members participate in store due to COVID-19 we will have a static 4-H display and 4-H brochures available. Customers will be able to donate \$1 or more at in-store and online check out. The Fall 2020 event runs October 7-18. We are thankful for the support that Tractor Supply provides to our local 4-H program!

PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST

Join us for a fun, festive fall! Carve, paint, or decorate your pumpkin and submit a photo of your entry by Friday, October 30th. Prizes will be awarded, and we would love to share photos of your creativity with the community via social media!

OFFICE HOURS WITH TRACIE

Zoom on in and connect with your 4-H peeps during 4-H Office Hours. We have set hours of Tuesdays 2:00 . 3:00. Youth members, volunteers, and parents are welcome. It's a great way to catch up with each other, ask questions, tell us what you've been up to and share ideas. Join us using your computer, phone or tablet. Contact Tracie with questions, or to set up a test meeting at a different time by connecting with Tracie at tracie.hanson@wsu.edu .

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4-H COUNCIL MEETINGS . Join Us Digitally

We would love to have you join us for the next 4-H Horse Council meeting at 6:30 pm on Monday, November 2nd and the next 4-H Council meeting after the Club Kick-Off Meeting on Thursday, October 15th.

We hope that you will add remote attendance at 4-H Council meetings to your plans. The meetings are the best way to share your ideas, get up to the minute information and help shape the direction of YOUR 4-H program. The meetings will be held remotely, and you can join us via Zoom by calling the phone numbers listed above or join with video if you have a free Zoom account by clicking the relevant link located above. Connect with Tracie to test the system in advance.

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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