

**WSU Extension Grays Harbor County 4-H Youth Development
News for September 23, 2022**

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

- **Sept 2-25:** WA State 4-H Fair, Puyallup
- **Sept 28:** Office Hours 10am and 6pm: GivePulse (NEW volunteer hours recording tool) <https://wsu.zoom.us/j/97557445495>
- **Sept 29:** 4-H Volunteer of the Year Nominations Due
- **Oct 1:** New 4-H Year Begins!
- **Oct 2-8:** National 4-H Week
- **Oct 3:** GH 4-H Horse Council Meeting, 6:30 pm via Zoom or at the WSU Extension office, Elma
- **Oct 5-16:** Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Campaign
- **Oct 20:** GH 4-H Council Meeting, via Zoom or at the WSU Extension office, Elma
- **Oct 20:** 4-H Record Books Due
- **Oct 20:** 4-H Year Pin Requests Due at <https://forms.office.com/r/ytx6mA7tTX>
- **Oct 26:** Office Hours 10am and 6pm: Volunteer recruitment for club leaders, new volunteer orientation <https://wsu.zoom.us/j/97557445495>
- **Nov 6:** Save the Date! GH 4-H Recognition Event, Panhandle

NEW 4-H YEAR BEGINS OCTOBER 1

While the 4-H Online enrollment system is going through the annual update process to prepare for the October 1 start to the new 4-H year, youth members and adult volunteers will be able to begin the annual 4-H enrollment process at <https://v2.4honline.com/> in October, just in time for clubs begin meeting for the new 4-H year! Here is a video for help with enrollment: <https://youtu.be/5IFbWGFzWUo>



4-H COUNCIL MEETINGS – Join Us Digitally or In Person

We would love to have you join us for the next 4-H Horse Council meeting at 6:30 pm on Monday, October 3rd, and the next 4-H Council meeting at 6 pm on Thursday, October 20th. We hope that you will add 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 in person with the option to join remotely, and you can join us via Zoom or with a phone call if you have a Zoom account by clicking the relevant link at <https://www.facebook.com/graysharbor4h/>. Connect with Tracie to test the system in advance.

STATE 4-H FAIR – September 2-25

Congratulations to the 4-H members helping to represent Grays Harbor County at the State 4-H Fair in Puyallup!

If you are visiting the State 4-H Fair this month, say hello to our 17 local 4-H members exhibiting year-long accomplishments with their dog, cat, sheep, goat, or horse projects.

Head upstairs in the pavilion to check out over 40 still life entries from local youth, including photos, paintings, drawings, creative arts, clothing, and educational posters!



FALL RECOGNITION EVENT! SAVE THE DATE - Sunday, November 6

The Grays Harbor 4-H Council is excited to recognize 4-H members and volunteers for all their hard work and learning this year! We are so proud of each 4-H member and look forward to celebrating the completion of the 4-H year with you! Join us at Panhandle Lake 4-H Camp on Sunday, November 6th from 1-4 pm!

Club members, volunteers, family, and community members are all invited to take part in this celebration event! Awards for members & volunteers, yearly pins and treats will be provided. We can't wait to see you there!



YEAR PIN REQUESTS - Submit by October 20

Calling all 4-H members! The Grays Harbor 4-H Council wants to recognize you for all of the hard work and learning you have done this year! You are invited to request your 4-H Year Pin, which will be awarded along with other prizes at the annual Recognition event on November 6 (1-4 pm) at Panhandle Lake 4-H Camp!

All Grays Harbor 4-H members who complete this process will receive their Year End Completion Pin. Please submit your pin request no later than Thursday, October 20 at <https://forms.office.com/r/ytx6mA7tTX>.



4-H MEMBER & VOLUNTEER AWARD NOMINATIONS

Help us recognize our hard working 4-H members and volunteers for their work during the 2021-2022 4-H year! Member and volunteer excellence awards are open until October 20.

Fill out the form located here: <https://forms.office.com/r/8fRqA3RmEy>

Leader of the year nominations will be accepted until September 29, all nominations received by this date will be reviewed by our nominations committee to be sent on for state recognition.

MONTHLY OFFICE HOURS WITH TRACIE & HEATHER: September 28 & October 26

Sept. 28: Topic for volunteers: what is GivePulse and how do I use it? (new volunteer hours reporting tool).

Oct. 26: Topics GivePulse (repeat), information for new volunteers & how to recruit volunteers for your clubs! (We will discuss topics relevant to those who attend).

Tracie and Heather are on Zoom ready to discuss these topics and more the 4th Wednesday of the month at 10am or at 6pm. Please join us and share your ideas, ask questions, or promote your upcoming activities. All are welcome, we look forward to seeing you! Zoom Link: <https://wsu.zoom.us/j/97557445495>

BECOME A 4-H VOLUNTEER:

<https://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/become-a-4-h-volunteer/>

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

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