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HAPPY 2017!!

- Clover Academy is TOMORROW!
  Date: 01/21/2017 (Sat.)
  Time: 8:30am - 1:00pm PST
  Location: Faith Fellowship Church, 6261 Newberry Hill, Silverdale
  Cost: $5 per person, due at registration includes 2 slices of pizza and a drink

- 4-H Volunteer Orientation – March 9th
  If you are an interested parent or new Club Leader please consider joining us for our Volunteer Orientation. If you have any questions email e.williams-wilder@wsu.edu
  Date: Thursday, March 9th, 2017
  Time: 6 – 8 PM
  Location: Norm Dicks Building, 345 6th Street Bremerton

Sign up online at: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090E4BDADE28A1FD0-4hvolunteer
• **Equine Policy & Bylaw Committee Meeting**

We will be having an OPEN meeting on Tuesday, Feb 28\textsuperscript{th} to discuss upcoming policy and bylaw changes.

If you are passionate and interested in the future of the Equine project please join us to discuss and form a committee for the upcoming rewriting of the Equine projects bylaws.

**Meeting: Tuesday, Feb 28\textsuperscript{th}, 2017**  
**Time:** 6-8 PM  
**Location:** Norm Dicks Government Building, 345 6\textsuperscript{th} Street Bremerton, WA

• **Armed Forces Day Parade**

4-H will be participating in the 69\textsuperscript{th} Annual Armed Forces Day Parade, Saturday May 20\textsuperscript{th} at 10 am in Downtown Bremerton.

We are looking for volunteers to help plan, organize and coordinate the parade. Interested adult volunteers please contact Kelly Sciarrotta at kellysciarrotta@yahoo.com.

We are looking for youth to help with the planning, creating of float and walking, marching, riding in the parade.

We are also looking for ANIMALS! If you would like to bring your horse, dog, goat, pig, rabbit, cavy, chicken, cat, etc please contact me.

• **States 4-H International Exchange**

**States 4-H International Exchange.** Did you know that there are opportunities through 4-H to travel abroad, or host an exchange student? Washington State 4-H is looking for host families for our in-bound month long Summer program. Learn more here: [http://www.states4hexchange.org/](http://www.states4hexchange.org/) or contact Elisabeth Wilder at e.williams-wilder@wsu.edu to discuss possible placement opportunities.

• **KYG Community Service**

Know Your Government (KYG) is collecting clothes for Foster children at YouthNet. We are looking for donations of new play clothes and PJs for kids between 1-5 years old. Small stuffed animals are great too. If you or your Club is interested in helping our Kitsap delegation please contact e.williams-wilder@wsu.edu to arrange a pick up location for donations.

• **Report your Volunteer Hours for 2016!**

**Report your Volunteer Hours!** Your volunteer hours are critical for demonstrating the value of our program. It is also how volunteers are covered under WSU’s insurance. Visit the database and report your hours, [http://ext.wsu.edu/Volunteers/logon.aspx](http://ext.wsu.edu/Volunteers/logon.aspx). Contact me if you are missing your account.
username and password.

1 adult volunteer per email address, spouses cannot share email addresses for reporting purposes.

If you are a new member and need an account to be set up please email me your name, Club name, email address, address and phone number via email at e.williams-wilder@wsu.edu.

- 4-H Online Status and Enrollment

All adults and youth must enroll online at http://wa.4HOnline.com. You will find a “Returning Families” guide to help with reenrollment here: http://extension.wsu.edu/mason/4-h-youth-families/4-h-forms/.

Enrollment/reenrollment ensures that all volunteers and members have insurance coverage while taking part in 4-H activities.

If your status says “PENDING” it means that we are still waiting on your membership fees. Membership fees are $25 per youth, $20 to WSU 4-H and $5 to Kitsap County 4-H Council. Payment can be made online, mailed or hand delivered to the office. Members must have an “ACTIVE” status in 4-HOnline to be covered by 4-H's insurance.

- Monthly Dates

Monthly 4-H Meetings:

Kitsap County 4-H Council: 1st Wednesday of the month, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, Clear Creek Community Center, 12641 Clear Creek Rd NW, Silverdale, WA 98383

Horse Project Meeting: 3rd Wednesday of the month, 6:30-8:30 PM, Silver Spurs Riding Club, 7600-7880 Nels Nelson Rd NW, Bremerton, WA 98311

Dog Project Meeting: 3rd Thursday of the month, 6:30-8:30 PM, Clear Creek Community Center, 12641 Clear Creek Rd NW, Silverdale, WA 98383

- WSU 4-H Policy and Procedure


- 4-H Giving Opportunities

Help WA State 4-H support a school garden program in Burundi, Africa. Learn more here: https://www.globalgiving.org/projects/burundi4hsisterschools/

Give a CLOVER campaign: http://4-h.org/get-involved/support/ Show your support for 4-H on a national, state or local level by donating $20 to support 1 youth member for a year.
• **2017-2018 OPEN 4-H Superintendent positions**

There are a few 4-H Superintendent positions that are still open for the 2017-2018 year. If you are interested in any of the following positions please contact Elisabeth Wilder immediately at e.williams-wilder@wsu.edu. There are also a few positions that are looking for co/assistant supers to transition into the position this year. Please contact me if you are interested in any of the following:

- Expressive Arts (assistant/co wanted)
- Family Living (assistant/co wanted)
- Needlecraft (assistant/co wanted)
- Plant Science (assistant/co wanted)
- Swine

• **Club News**

As most of you know to be a 4-H Club you need to have a minimum of 5 youth from 3 different families. We have a few clubs that are struggling to meet these needs and are at risk of losing their charters, so we are putting the call out for members. Remember you can participate in multiple clubs if you are interested or please spread the word to friends and community members. If you would like more information on any of these clubs please email me at e.williams-wilder@wsu.edu

- We have a cat club that has been meeting in Poulsbo that is in need of a Leader.
- We have a goat club in Port Orchard that is looking for members.
- We have a swine club in Seabeck that is looking for members.
- We also have a llama club that has a Port Orchard and Seabeck meeting that is looking for members.

“**Kitsap 4-H Newsletter**” **Submissions**: due by the 20th of the month by 3 pm. Please submit 4-H club/project news, stories, and upcoming events. No ads or solicitations, please: we reserve the right to edit all submissions in accordance to WSU 4-H policies. Email to e.williams-wilder@wsu.edu

**4-H Mission**: 4-H empowers youth to reach their full potential, working and learning in partnership with caring adults.

**4-H Vision**: A world in which youth and adults learn, grow and work together as catalysts for positive change.

**4-H Pledge**: I pledge my **Head** to clearer thinking, my **Heart** to greater loyalty, my **Hands** to greater Service, and my **Health** to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world.

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