

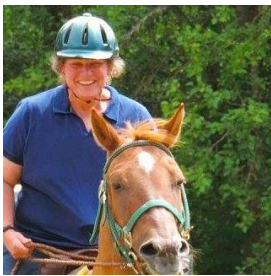


Greetings from 4-H! As many of you know WSU/Kitsap 4-H has undergone a lot of changes recently. We are dedicated to moving forward and providing positive youth development to the young people in our community. We are doing our best to build relationships and have open communication between Club and the 4-H Office.

This weekend at the 2016 Washington State 4-H Forum in Pasco, Washington two of our dedicated Kitsap volunteers were honored!



2016 Washington State 4-H Hall of Fame Inductee: Kay Hibler has been a 4-H volunteer for 32 years! She has kept the youth first and foremost in her heart. She has led by example in all of the positions that she has held during her years of service. During her 4-H career she has served as a Club Leader, Kitsap County Council President and Treasurer, Year End Award Committee Chair person, Know Your Government supervisor, Teacher, Chaperone, Superintendent, and Teen Leadership Club Leader. She has taught endless classes to youth over the years. Kay has been a positive part of the National, state and Kitsap County 4-H Program and we are grateful to have her as part of our 4-H community.



2016 Kitsap 4-H Volunteer of the Year: Tina Meekins has been part of the Kitsap 4-H community for 15 years. Tina loves kids and horses. She constantly teaches about horses and responsibilities. She is generous, caring and hardworking. She encourages learning and fun. She encourages youth to work hard and to have fun learning and working with horses and the kids love her for it. We are grateful to have Tina in our 4-H community.

RECOGNITION NIGHT 2016-2017

November 11, 2016 at 5:30 pm

Our Recognition Night is always special, but this year we are excited that the Kitsap Golf and Country Club has opened its doors to us. Please plan on joining us on Friday, November 11th starting at 5:30 pm for our social time. Please bring an appetizer / snack / dessert item to share with others. There will not be a place for members to heat things up, so please bring items ready to go out to share. The awards program will start at 6:30 pm. We hope to have many items to raffle off that evening. Every club or project is asked to bring something to add to the raffle. If you would like assistance in putting a basket together or would like to drop off items for the raffle, please contact Cas Taylor at castaylorranch@gmail.com. Individuals are also welcome to bring items for the raffle. **Please mark your calendars to join us for a special evening recognizing and honoring the youth in Kitsap County 4-H.**

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2016-2017 REENROLL

All youth and volunteers **MUST** enroll or reenroll via 4hOnline at <https://wa.4honline.com/> to be an active 4-H member or volunteer.

If you are reenrolling log in with your previous email and password. Go to the bottom of the page and click the REENROLL 2016-2017 button. Follow the prompts and review the previous year information.

If you are a NEW youth member:

Contact the Club Leader of the Club that you are interested in and make sure that they are a good fit for your families schedule, location and availability.

Create a profile on 4HOnline.

Once you have completed your profile it will say “PENDING” (That means you did it right!)

At your first meeting you will give your Club Leader the annual membership fees and they will send the payment to the Kitsap County WSU 4-H Office.

Once your fees have been received in the 4-H Office you will be accepted in 4-H Online and your status will go from “PENDING” to “ACTIVE.”

If you are interested in becoming a NEW adult volunteer:

Please complete our volunteer application (Form A & B) and submit them to the office.

We will then run a background check.

You will also need to create a profile on 4hOnline

We will be in touch with you after these steps have been made.

Welcome new Kitsap 4-H Team:

ELISABETH WILDER, 4-H Kitsap Program Coordinator

Elisabeth has spent the last 10 years living and teaching overseas. Her undergraduate degree is in Adolescent Psychology and Non-Profit Management. Her graduate degree is in Teaching and Education. She is originally from northern California and grew up on a ranch raising sheep, goats and pigs. She grew up showing sheep in 4-H. When she isn't working she enjoys traveling, planning her wedding and anything that has to do with the ocean.



JOY LILE, 4-H Regional Specialist for Clallam, Jefferson, and Kitsap Counties.

Joy's research interests include mentor-youth relationships, low-income youth, and participatory research and evaluation methods. She is in the process of finishing her PhD in Human Development and Family Studies from Oregon State University. Her previous experiences with 4-H includes working on a state-wide youth garden program in Oregon, and helping evaluate Food Smart Families, a national Youth Advocates for Health (YA4-H!) program. When she's not working, she enjoys hiking, gardening, cooking healthy food, and arts and crafts like photography and jewelry making. She's excited to be part of the WSU team!



Upcoming Dates

Nov 2nd — 4-H Council Meeting, 6:30pm-8:30pm at Clear Creek Community Center

Nov 5th — 4-H Youth Officer Training, 10am-12pm at Clear Creek Community Center. Teach youth the skills to be successful Club officers. Parents and leaders are encouraged to join as well. \$2 per youth for snack.

Nov 11th — 4-H Annual Awards Night, 5:30pm-7:30pm at Kitsap Golf & Country Club. Come honor the hard work of youth during the 2015-2016 4-H year.

Nov 21st — Cornucopia Bread Class, 6pm-8pm at Port Orchard Active Club. You can bring your own dough or the Leader will provide it for \$5. If you are interested contact Tina Meekins by Nov 14th at thewholehorseplace@gmail.com



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Know Your Government (KYG) 2016-2017

Know Your Government (KYG) is a civic education program that educates high school students on learning the life skills needed to be responsible citizens and productive adults.

This year KYG is all about the Judicial Branch of the government. This year KYG will be primarily lead by our new 4-H Program Coordinator, Elisabeth Wilder with the help and support of parents, volunteers and guest speakers.

We are looking for volunteers to help lead meetings, help with fundraising, drivers and chaperones for the Olympia KYG Conference.

KYG DATES:

The informational meeting and KYG Meetings 1-4 will be held in the 4-H Office.

11/30/16 - KYG Informational Meeting (6-8 PM)

12/10/16 – KYG TRI-REGIONAL ALL DAY EVENT (in Jefferson County)

12/14/16 – KYG Meeting 1 (5-7 PM)

1/12/17 – KYG Meeting 2 (5-7 PM)

1/25/17 – KYG Meeting 3 (5-7 PM)

2/8/17 – KYG Meeting 4 (5-7 PM)

2/18/17-2/21-17 – KYG CONFERENCE IN OLYMPIA

If you are interested in participating or volunteering please contact Elisabeth Wilder as soon as possible so we can prepare for the meetings. Call 360-337-7162 or e.williams-wilder@wsu.edu

Call for Volunteers

Volunteers are the heart of 4-H!

If you are interested in any of the following volunteer opportunities, please contact Elisabeth Wilder at e.williams-wilder@wsu.edu

- Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent Positions
- New Club Leaders: We are always looking for new Club potential.
- New Leader Mentors: Established Leaders that are open and willing to help new leaders through the beginning stages of starting and leading a Club.

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- **Project and Resource Leaders:** Are you passionate about something and interested in helping share your passion and knowledge with children in our community? Project and Resource Leaders lead classes or projects (1 or multiple) on a topic at established Clubs.
- **Office Support:** Help out in the 4-H office, returning calls, updating information, helping to inventory supplies, prepare materials.
- **Community Advocate:** Attend community events and provide information on what 4-H is and how to get involved in our community.
- **KYG (Know Your Government):** We are looking for volunteers to help lead meetings, help with fundraising, chaperons for the Olympia KYG Conference and Drivers to transport youth.
- **Kitsap County 4-H Council (Youth positions):** Be a voice between Clubs and Kitsap County.
- **Washington State 4-H Advisory Board (Adult and Youth positions):** Be a voice between the county and Washington State. 3 weekend meetings per year.
- **Washington State Fair Advisory Board (Adult and Youth positions):** Be a voice between the county and the State Fair. 3 weekend meetings per year and volunteer at the fair for 5 days.

Share with 4-H

If you have information and dates that you would like to share with the 4-H Community, please email the following information by the 15th of the month to kitsap.county4h@wsu.edu to be reviewed for the upcoming newsletter.

Date:

Time:

Location:

Description:

Contact information for further information: