



# 4-H Friday Update

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**Hello Everyone,**

I hope you have had a great week.

The Ken Ardell Scholarship application is due April 1<sup>st</sup>. For those of you who did not know Ken, he was a cattleman here in Grant County that worked very hard. He left funds to build the Ken Ardell Pavilion at the Grant County Fairgrounds as well as a scholarship fund for 4-H and FFA members. There are ten \$1500 scholarships offered each year (6 for high school seniors entering college and 4 for college scholarships for those already attending). Google his name and you will find the application. Good Luck. If you are an adult and would like to review the applications, providing you don't have any family or good friend connections to the applicants, please call me 989-9800. We prepare the packets, you pick up ahead of time, and we meet once as a committee. Sure is a great way to see the fruits of our labor.

Have a good week.

**—Diane**

## What's Your Favorite "H"?

Please read the following message from Betsy Fradd, WSU Extension 4-H, Media Coordinator — **It would be great to hear about and see Grant-Adams Area 4-Hers Favorite "H"!**

We just started a new feature on Facebook called "What's Your Favorite "H"? 4-H'ers tell me what their favorite H is and why (in about two to four sentences) and send me their photo. Please help spread the word to your 4-H'ers, other leaders/volunteers, or anyone who may have contact with our great youth!

It would be great if you could "like" and "share" the post. So many more people will see it that way. If you have any questions on how to do this please let me know.

<https://www.facebook.com/WashingtonState4H> Thanks so much — **Betsy Fradd**, Washington State University Extension 4-H, Puyallup, [fradd@wsu.edu](mailto:fradd@wsu.edu), 253-445-4543.



## 4-H Youth Beef & Swine Field Days Scheduled for March 8 & 22

Two interactive youth livestock field days are scheduled for March in Southeastern Washington. Each field day will provide the latest information on raising livestock projects for youth, parents and leaders.

The **Youth Beef Field Day** will be held on **Saturday, March 8th**, from 9:30 a.m. to approximately 3:00 p.m. at Lewiston Livestock Market in Lewiston, ID. Pre-registration for the Youth Beef Field Day is **March 5**. Information, including registration procedures, are online at [http://extension.uidaho.edu/nezperce/files/2014/01/4-H\\_Beef\\_Flyer\\_2014.pdf](http://extension.uidaho.edu/nezperce/files/2014/01/4-H_Beef_Flyer_2014.pdf).

The **Youth Swine Field Day** will be held on **Saturday, March 22nd** from 9:30 a.m. to approximately 3:00 p.m. at the Clarkston FFA Barn in Clarkston, WA. Pre-registration for the Youth Swine Field Day is **March 14th**. Information, including registration procedures, are online at [http://extension.uidaho.edu/nezperce/files/2014/01/4-H\\_Swine\\_Flyer\\_2014.pdf](http://extension.uidaho.edu/nezperce/files/2014/01/4-H_Swine_Flyer_2014.pdf).

Each field day cost is \$6, including lunch and handouts. Topics covered will include: Health Care, Quality Assurance, Feeding and Nutrition, Selection of project animals, Fitting and Showing, and other topics. Pre-registration is recommended. Presenters include WSU and UI Extension and Animal Sciences faculty, area veterinarians, and outstanding livestock producers. Contact Mark Heitstuman at (509) 243-2009, or by email at [heitstuman@wsu.edu](mailto:heitstuman@wsu.edu) if you have any questions.

## Ken Ardell Scholarships are due April 1.

The Ken Ardell scholarship application is available to download from the [Scholarship Information](#) web-page and is also available at the Extension Office. (WSU and other scholarships that may be of interest are also listed on the Scholarship Information web-page.)



## Reminders --- Mark your Calendar --- Upcoming Events --- Due Dates

- **North Central Washington Junior Livestock Show**  
March 27, 28, and 29, 2014  
[2014 Premium Book](#) — [Flyer](#) — [Entry Form](#)
- **Dairy Certificates are due May 1 each year**  
[Download a 4-H Dairy Certificate](#)  
(If you have project animal issues (sickness, won't breed, or death) please contact the Extension Office. Hardship cases will be considered to allow you to show at the fair.)
- **Grant County Fair 4-H Schooling Show**  
Friday & Saturday - June 27 & 28, 2014  
Overnight at the Grant County Fairgrounds  
Flyer and Registration Information coming soon.
- **Dairy Fitting and Showing Workshop**  
June 14, 2014 7:00AM to 6:00PM  
[Grant County Fairgrounds Pavilion I](#)  
Flyer and Registration Information coming soon.  
**Contact:** Jackie Rupard at 509-289-0313
- **Northwest Junior Sheep Exposition**  
July 18 & 19, 2014  
[2014 Premium Book](#)

**Grant-Adams Area 4-H Leaders Council** meets the **first Monday** of every other month at **7:00 PM**, alternating between Moses Lake and Othello.

**Moses Lake (December, April, August) & Othello (October, February, June)**

February 3, 2014 – Othello - Time Out Pizza

April 7, 2014– Moses Lake – Grant County Fairgrounds Fuller Building

June 2, 2014– Othello – Othello Fairgrounds 4-H Building

August 4, 2014– Moses Lake – Grant County Fairgrounds Fuller Building

October 6, 2014 – Othello - Time Out Pizza

December 1, 2014– Moses Lake – Grant County Fairgrounds Fuller Building

**Grant County Livestock Committee** meets the **second Thursday**, February through September at **7:00 PM**, Moses Lake, Grant County Fairgrounds Fuller Building.

February 13, 2014

March 13, 2014

April 10, 2014

May 8, 2014

June 12, 2014

July 10, 2014

August 14, 2014

September 11, 2014

**Note:** subject to change - watch the Friday Update for any location or time changes.

### Important Topics for Individuals Involved With Pig Projects—PEDV and Show Pig Availability

Source: Electronic Weekly Update: Grant/Adams Youth Animal Science Program, 03.05.14, Sarah M. Smith, Extension Regional Specialist--Animal Sciences. *Individuals interested in subscribing need to send an email to [smithsm@wsu.edu](mailto:smithsm@wsu.edu).*

Some of you may have heard about a pig virus causing severe pig loss to the U.S. swine herds. Porcine epidemic diarrhea virus (PEDV), appeared in the U.S. for the first time in April and has killed almost 4 million pigs since then. The PEDV has been widespread in the Midwest and Carolina states, but had not found its way west until this last month. It has now been confirmed as far west in Montana, Idaho, and California. PEDV has been confirmed on 3,856 farms in 25 states. The virus cannot be transferred to other animals or humans and poses no threat to human health or food safety from eating pork products.

The virus, which causes severe diarrhea and vomiting, is almost always fatal to pigs under four weeks of age. Older pigs don't experience the death rate at the levels the young pigs do, however the diarrhea and vomiting in older animals will reduce growth and reproduction. Although the virus has less impact on the older, growing pigs headed for show, the potential to spread PEDV and other pathogens rises since the pigs are commingled at weigh-in, transportation, and exhibition.

To attempt to try to reduce the risk of this disease entering Washington, The Washington State Department of Agriculture adopted an emergency rule requiring all swine entering the state to carry evidence the animals are free of PEDV. The new rule took effect on February 20<sup>th</sup> and will remain in force for at least 120 days. All pigs entering the state were already required to have a health certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian stating the animal is disease free. The new requirement for swine entering Washington will now require that the certificates include the following statement: *"To the best of my knowledge, swine represented on this certificate have not originated from premises known to be affected by Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea virus, and have not been exposed to PEDV within the last 30 days."* The certificate must be signed by the animal owner as well as a veterinarian. In addition to this new requirement, Acting State Veterinarian Dr. Paul Kohrs has advised anyone planning to show their pigs in jr. shows or fairs, to keep their swine

apart during weigh-in and tagging activities before the events. Basically, please do not comingle pigs (weigh/taggings, sharing equipment, transport, showmanship practices) prior to the event without good reason.

This disease has serious consequences to the entire swine industry, but specifically to commercial swine producers, who when their farms contract this disease are typically out of production (all baby pigs being born) for **5-8 WEEKS**. This disease has resulted in significant financial losses to pig farms and emotional distress to individuals/owners on these farms. So as good youth livestock producers, I ask that you take the necessary precautions to help protect Washington and other states swine producers from further spread of this disease through the show pig industry. Many individuals will be getting their show pigs in the next couple months and attending various shows through the spring and summer months. These are two excellent resources for youth raising and exhibiting pigs should reference on ways to reduce risk of disease transmission:

<http://porkgateway.org/FileLibrary/PIGLibrary/References/NPB%20-%20Recommend%20Exhibitor.pdf> and

<http://porkgateway.org/FileLibrary/PIGLibrary/References/NPB%20-%20Champions%20Guide%20to%20Youth%20Swine%20Exhibition.pdf>.

Another concern that many involved with the 4-H/FFA market pig project in Washington and the Pacific Northwest are facing is the availability of show pigs. Show pigs are always in high demand for this July through September fairs. This year will be no exception as we have seen an increase in the 4-H/FFA swine projects and fewer sows being farrowed in the PNW because of feed cost and necessary labor. Youth, parents and advisors are encouraged to contact breeders early to secure pigs for the upcoming show season. The WSU Swine Center will NOT have show pigs for sale this year. For more information on sources of pigs; contact your 4-H leader, FFA Advisor, WSU Extension Office and other swine breeders. I have started a list of swine breeders that have indicated that they have show pigs available for the summer fairs—please contact me if you would like this list or if you have pigs and would like to be added to the list.

Over the past few years, many more show pigs have come from outside of Washington. Some of these pigs have come from surrounding states while others have come from the Midwest. The show pig shortage in the PNW mentioned above will likely result in more pigs coming from out-of-state this year. There is nothing wrong with sourcing pigs from outside of Washington as long as individuals understand that there are additional legal requirements that must be followed. Anyone getting pigs from out-of-state must get the proper health certificate information listed above to legally bring pigs into the state of Washington. If you have any questions on bringing pigs from out-of-state please contact Washington State Department of Agriculture State Veterinarian's Office at 360-902-1881 prior to shipment of the pigs. To obtain a permit for importing pigs into Washington, contact WSDA at 360-902-1878.

Also, show pigs are going to cost more in 2014, not only because of the short supplies in the area, but also because the price of commercial market pigs have went up considerably in the last couple months because of higher consumer demand for pork, higher prices for competing proteins (beef), decreased feed cost and expected tight supplies because of concern of pig losses from PEDV. Currently feeder pigs are selling on the commercial market for \$100-\$110/hd; last year at this time they were selling for \$60-\$70. Therefore, youth looking for show pigs should expect to pay more for pigs (lambs and beef cattle prices are also up considerably too compared to last year) than they did in 2013. Also, remember that when purchasing show pigs they cost more than commercial animals because most producers are smaller and cannot produce pigs at the same cost as the larger producer and they have additional cost (genetics, feed, etc) and time (individual attention to animals and individuals looking for pigs) invested in raising show pigs. I have heard that the going rate for show pigs is anywhere between \$150 to \$250, with some going for even higher prices.

## Important Dates & Information (Download pdf [HERE](#))

- [4-H Volunteer time reported](#) – Report each month.
- [Taxes – e-postcard is due by May 15<sup>th</sup>](#), annually.
- [Put the Child First](#) – **Volunteers and Leaders** are required to complete an online presentation called Put the Child First. This training is mandatory. To register for “Put the Child First” go to: <http://universalvoltraining.wsu.edu>. Fill in the information requested and press “Submit Request”. You will receive an automatic Email with log-in information to view the presentation. Your registration for the training will be kept in the system as proof of your participation. Website: <http://4h.wsu.edu/volntr/elearning.htm>.

**Grant-Adams Area 4-H Leaders Council** meets the **first Monday** every other month at 7:00 PM, alternating between Moses Lake (Fuller Building, Grant County Fairgrounds) and Othello (4-H Bldg, Othello Fair Grounds): Watch the Friday Update for any changes.

October - Othello	April - Moses Lake
December - Moses Lake	June - Othello
February - Othello	August - Moses Lake

**Area Council** meetings are determined by your area.

**Grant County Livestock Sale Committee** meets the **second Thursday**, February through September at 7:00 p.m. at the Grant County Fairgrounds Fuller Building.

## General Due Dates for Grant-Adams Area 4-H

- \*December 1 Enrollments are Due for Existing Clubs
- \*December 1 Club Financial Summary is Due
- June 1 Enrollments are Due for New Clubs
- July 15 Pork Quality Assurance Needs to be Completed
- August 1 Secretary Books are Due to Extension Office

*[\\* Enrollment Forms are available to download from our Website:](#)*

## Enrollment Forms for Grant and Adams Area:

[Leader Enrollment Forms](#)      [Member Enrollment Forms](#)

## Animal Ownership Dates for Grant County Fair

January 1	Dairy - Sale Springer & Bred Heifer Certificates are Due
April 1	Horse Ownership Certificates are Due
April 1	Beef Ownership Date(Weigh & Tag Day to be announced)
May 1	All other Dairy Ownership Certificates are Due
May 8	Market Swine Ownership Date
May 12	Llama Ownership Date
May 15	Poultry Ownership Date
May 15	Rabbit Ownership[ Date
May 12	Llama Ownership Date
June 8	Market Goat Ownership Date
June 10	Market Sheep Ownership Date
June 12	Llama Ownership Date

## Animal Ownership Dates for Adams County Fair

February 1	Dairy - Sale Springer & Bred Heifer Certificates are Due
April 1	Horse Ownership Certificates are Due
April 30	Beef Ownership Date
May 1	All other Dairy Ownership Certificates are Due
May 15	Poultry Ownership Date
May 15	Rabbit Ownership[ Date
June 12	Llama Ownership Date
June 15	Market Swine Ownership Date
June 15	Market Sheep Ownership Date
July 8	Market Goat Ownership Date

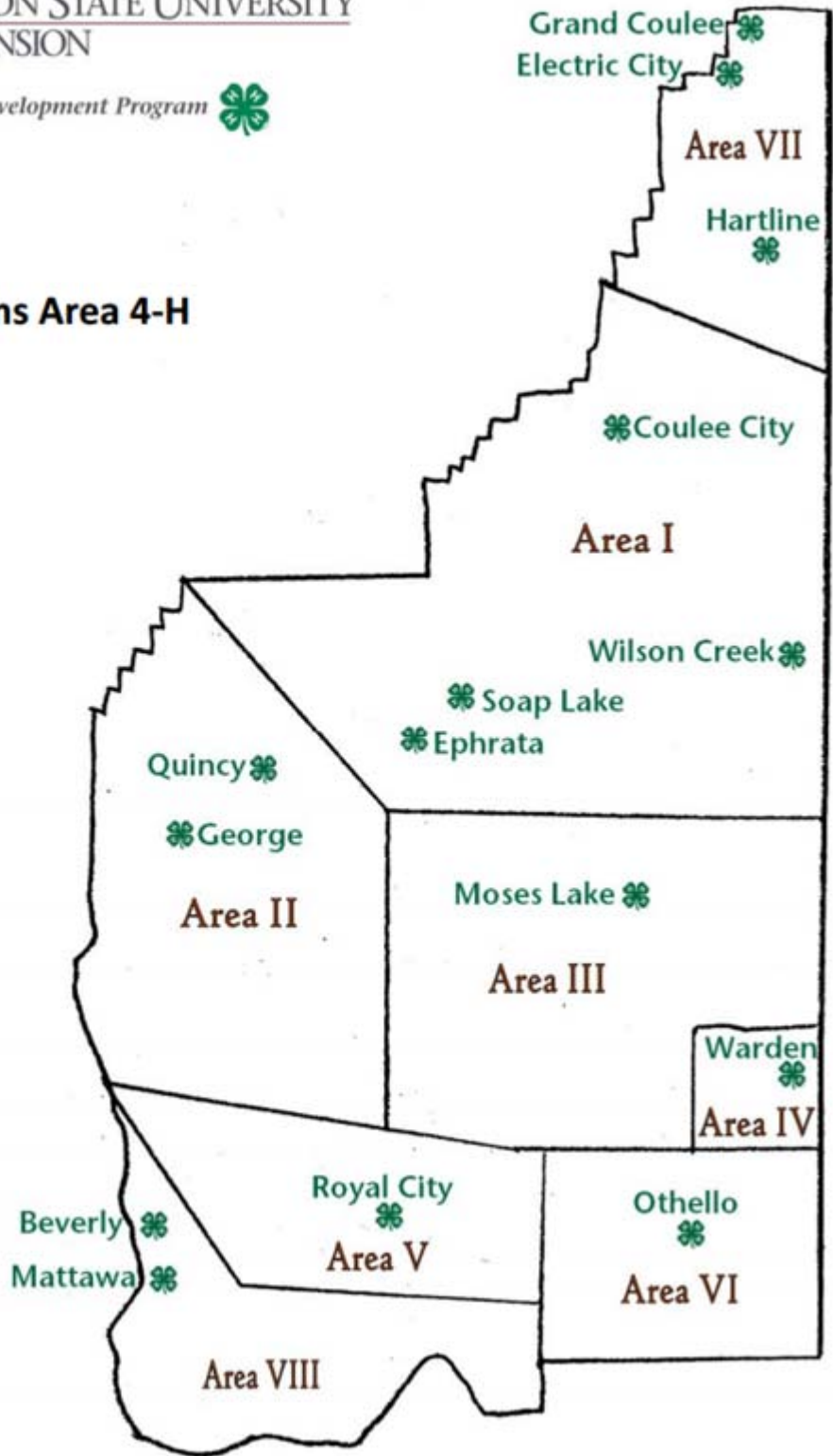
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