



January 2019

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## 4-H "TO DO" List

- **Enrollment:** If you are a member or leader who has not enrolled for this 2018-2019 4-H year, please **enroll in 4Honline as soon as possible**
- If you need **fee enrollment sponsorship**, contact Bonnie or Jenny
- **Financial Forms:** If you are a club leader and the 4-H Office does not have your **club financial documents**, please turn them in ASAP, financial forms were due **December 1, 2018**
- **Screening:** If you are a volunteer and your last name begins **A-K**, make sure you have completed the **Verified Volunteer screening process**, this process is due **February 1, 2019**
- Attend the **County Council meeting** contact Jenny for more information.
- **Club Plan:** Make a plan for this year's 4-H club activities & goals. **Annual Club Plan** is due **February 1, 2019**
- Make sure **members are enrolled** for the **appropriate animal ownership timelines**. Timeline table can be found on page 3
- Attend **Valentine Card Making at JOANNS** on **January 26, 2019**
- **Donate** your **Volunteer hours** in the online system
- Bonnie will file everyone's **4-H 990N postcards** ...Thanks Bonnie!
- Work on your **record books**, there will be a record book help night in the spring at the office, time TBD
- If you have **questions** on any of these ...or other... topics, contact Bonnie or Jenny at the 4-H Office

## VALENTINE CARD MAKING

Join us at Joann Fabric on Tieton Drive, 11:00 am – 2:00 pm on January 26 to make Valentine cards for children's hospitals, senior citizen centers, Veterans and others in the Community.

## SAVE 15% WITH JOANN 4-H REWARDS!

Current & lifetime members, parents of members, volunteers and 4-H staff can **save 15% off total in-store and online purchases every day with 4-H Rewards**. JOANN will give a minimum of 2.5% of every eligible transaction to support 4-H programming. <https://www.joann.com/4-h/>

## IMPORTANT: SCREENING INFORMATION, Volunteers With A-K Last Names

Hopefully everyone who is a member or Leader has **re-enrolled for the new 4-H Year**. If not, please re-enroll in 4Honline as soon as possible. Thank you to those who already submitted your enrollment for the 2018-19 4-H program year. As you may remember, the Washington State University 4-H Youth Development Program announced the initiation of a national criminal background screening process. We are beginning to conduct the same screens on our returning volunteers. This year we will screen all volunteers whose last name begins with A – K and the L – Z last names will be screened next year.

WSU 4-H has selected **Verified Volunteers™** as the vendor to conduct our background screens. This service is a secure online service and sends the results of your screening to both you and the county 4-H office. Your consent to conduct the screen is collected during the online enrollment process. If you have received an invitation for screening from Verified Volunteers, please complete this screening as soon as possible; failure to complete the screening may result in your enrollment being suspended. If you have not received an invitation for a screening and your last name starts with A – K or if you no longer have the invitation that was sent to you in the last few months, please contact Bonnie or Jenny and we will send you an invitation to the Verified Volunteer screening process. The fee for the screening will be paid by Washington State 4-H Program.

Please feel free to contact our office with any questions. Thank you for your cooperation and patience as we learn these new systems together!

## “TOP OF THE CROP” HORSE PROJECT AWARDS

“Top of the Crop” Awards Event is set for January 23 at the First Street Conference Room, 223 N 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Yakima. Horse Council meeting at 6:00 pm and Top Crop at 6:30 pm.

This is a great time to celebrate the horse project members successes and discuss horse council business for the upcoming year.

## VOLUNTEER/LEADER NEWS

### VOLUNTEER TRAINING AND RESOURCES

State 4-H Youth Development Program is committed to offering both current and prospective volunteers a direct and convenient way to access essential training materials and other resources.

#### [Diversity and Inclusion Resources](#)

WSU 4-H Youth Development is committed to providing safe and inclusive environments for *all* youth and adults regardless of race; sex; gender; sexual orientation; gender identity/expression; religion; age; color; creed; national or ethnic origin; citizenship; physical, mental, or sensory ability; genetic information; and/or status as an honorably discharged veteran or member of the military

#### [Volunteer E-Learning Modules](#)

This training includes four interactive, self-paced training modules, complete with review: “About 4-H,” “Positive Youth Development,” “Getting Started in 4-H,” and “Leadership and Teaching.”

#### [“Put the Child First”](#)

WSU Extension remains committed in its efforts to prevent the abuse and exploitation of children and vulnerable adults. In our continuing efforts to assure a safe environment for all program participants, Washington State University Extension is requiring child protection training for all faculty, staff and volunteers working with youth and vulnerable adults. This 20-minute presentation may be viewed at any time at your home or Extension office. Your registration for the training will be kept in the system as proof of your participation.

We appreciate your compliance with this requirement. For more information, contact your local 4-H faculty or staff.

To register for the training, visit <http://universalvoltraining.wsu.edu/>. Fill in the requested information and press “Submit Request” You will receive an email with your password and instructions on how to access the course, or you can visit <http://breeze.wsu.edu> and login directly.

### [Preserve the Taste of Summer](#)

WSU Extension has a new online food preservation program. “Preserve the Taste of Summer” is a series of eight online lessons for 4-H project leaders leading Food Preservation curriculum and activities, as well as the in-home consumer.

### ANNUAL FINANCIAL SUMMARIES DUE

The Annual Financial Summary Report, Property Inventory Form and Audit Procedure Forms for October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018 are due in the Extension office on **December 1**. If your club does not have a checking or savings account, please make a note to that fact on the Annual Financial Summary Report, sign the form and return it. Any forms that are not completed or signed will be returned.

Forms were mailed out in the 4-H club leader packet and are available on the 4-H website and in the Extension office.

The Annual Club Plan form is due **February 1, 2019**, but you can turn it in at any time beforehand.

If you have any questions, please contact Bonnie or Jenny at the Extension office 574-1600.



### YOUR TIME MATTERS!

#### DONATE HOURS TO 4-H

Leaders, every hour you spend supporting 4-H is a donation. By donating your volunteer hours, you give Yakima County 4-H the numeric proof we need to show our funders and higher-officials that our programs are greatly valued and needed. Officially donating (reporting) your hours also make you eligible for the Department of Labor and Industries medical aid program. Participation in the medical aid program allows an injured volunteer’s medical expense to be paid by the Department of Labor and Industries. **What qualifies as volunteer hours?** Anything and everything you do for 4-H! Teaching, planning, prepping, shopping, paperwork, training, driving, calling, mentoring, presenting, and emailing. If it’s for 4-H, it counts! Click following link <http://ext.wsu.edu/Volunteers/logon.aspx>, Select “Volunteers”, Click “Enter Activity” select the appropriate information from each dropdown lists, select date activity occurred, use the navigation arrows on calendar for correct month, Click “Save”. Enter all your hours. If you don’t have computer/internet access, or don’t know your login information or to activate your account contact Bonnie 574-1600.

**4-H CLUB NEWS**



**COUNTRY BUNCH 4-H CLUB**

“We would like to thank our mentor, Ilene Bushnell, for her support lately. We’ve been discussing fundraiser ideas and picked potential theme for the Style Revue in April.

Club officers have been recently elected.

- President – Julianne Hinkle
- Vice President – Rainey Arnold
- Treasurer – Allyson Simmons
- Secretary – Caitlin Pham

Happy Sewing! “ – Caitlin Pham

**SAGEBRUSH RIDERS 4-H CLUB**

Sagebrush Riders congratulates its 2017-18 peer voted year end award winners. Congratulations to:

- ❖ Fiona Dunbar = Most Improved Senior
  - ❖ Kassidey Brownlee = Most Improved Intermediate
  - ❖ Delilah Haller = Most Improved Junior
  - ❖ Kaycie Leslie = Most Inspirational
  - ❖ Amelia Haller = Community Service
- Delilah Haller

Sagebrush Riders & Dog Gone K-9s gathered to celebrate their 2017-18 achievements & the holiday season. Merry Christmas to all!



**4-H CLUB NEWS WANTED!**

Your club has been busy with fair & show exhibits, community service, meetings, and so many other events. We would like you to share your club news.



I am asking each club to send in a small blurb each month by the 20<sup>th</sup> about what your club has been doing to post in the newsletter. Please send to Bonnie [Yakima.4h@wsu.edu](mailto:Yakima.4h@wsu.edu), fax 509-574-1601 or drop off at the office.

**PROJECT NEWS**

**4-H & FFA MEMBER’S PROJECTS**

Members can belong to both FFA & 4-H. They can take related projects as long as they are not the same exact project. For example, a member might sign up for 4-H market swine and FFA market beef.

When it comes to combined events, such as judging, each member makes his or her own decision whether to judge as 4-H member or FFA member.

**42<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL AMERICAN YOUTH HORSE COUNCIL SYMPOSIUM IN THE PALOUSE**

The 42nd Annual American Youth Horse Council Symposium, will be held March 8-10, 2019 in the Palouse region of Pullman, Washington and Moscow, Idaho. An annual highlight for horsemen and women of all ages, this event brings together youth and youth leaders from all facets of the equine industry for three days of live demonstrations, presentations, education, discussion, exhibits, awards, and, of course, fun for all. This location offers participants the opportunity to visit a number of equestrian facilities in the Palouse region including the Appaloosa Horse Club and Appaloosa Museum & Heritage Center, Washington State University’s College of Veterinary Medicine, McKinlay & Peters Equine Hospital, Hickman Saddlery and more. This event presents an opportunity for adult and student leaders in the youth horse industry to come together to learn, network, share ideas and grow as an industry.

Make your plans to join the youth horse industry in the Palouse! The 42nd Annual AYHC Symposium will provide you with take home tools to teach youth about safe and effective horsemanship. This non-breed specific, interactive curriculum presents equine knowledge that transfers from the book to the barn and beyond. Visit [ayhc.com/symposium-2019](http://ayhc.com/symposium-2019) for registration information.



**FAIR / SHOW NEWS**

**CENTRAL WASHINGTON JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW ANIMAL OWNERSHIP TIMELINE**

Animals must be under the care and management of the exhibitor for the following time prior to the fair:

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| Beef  | 120 days |
| Lambs | 60 days  |
| Swine | 90 days  |

The Exhibitor must have the proper paperwork from the County/State that the exhibitor resides in. The animal has to reside in the same county as the exhibitor. Furthermore, final decisions on this topic will be at the discretion of show management.

Please pass the above rule change to your 4-H members, parents and leaders/volunteers.

**ANIMAL OWNERSHIP TIMELINES**

4-H members need to be completely enrolled (forms completed, signed and turned in to the Extension office, their Club Assessment fee paid) and their animals must be under the 4-H member's regular care and management for the following periods of time prior to the official county exhibit activity, including junior livestock shows:

- Rabbits and Poultry – 45 days
  - Dogs – 60 days
  - Goat – 60 days
  - Sheep and Swine (Breeding & Market) – 60 days (*Swine see Rule 5C for CWJLS*)
  - Equine – 90 days (*Make sure your horse certificate is on file 90 days before first show/event*)
  - Dairy–90 days, Dairy Heifer Replacement– 60 days, (*Make sure your dairy certificate is on file 90 or 60 days before first show/event*)
  - Market Beef – 120 days, Breeding Beef – 90 days
  - Cavies – 45 days
  - Cats – 60 days
  - Llama – 90 days
- Animals raised by the 4-H member from birth or hatching are exempt from the minimum time periods

**TEEN NEWS**

**KNOW YOUR GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE**

The 2019 Know Your Government Conference will be **February 16-19, 2019** in Olympia. The theme is "Citizenship and Media: Changing the World One Conversation at a Time". If you are interested in attending Know Your Government or have questions, please call, text or email Katie Newman, [kathrynnewman16@gmail.com](mailto:kathrynnewman16@gmail.com), 945-5311, or Jenny at the Extension office at 509-574-1600. The first KYG meeting will be held Sunday, **December 2**, at the WSU Extension Conference Room, 2403 S 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Union Gap.

Participants need to be in the 9th grade or above, to be able to attend the required pre-conference meetings, enroll in KYG and complete the project journal portion of their record book.

Know Your Government registration for youth members is open now! KYG registration is done through 4HOnline. Event and registration information can be found on the Know Your Government website: <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/kyg/conference-information/>

**4-H SCHOLARSHIPS**

Now is the time to start working on your scholarship and grant requests.

The 4-H scholarship opportunities webpage <http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/scholarship-opportunities/> for the 2019 4-H scholarships. You will find that we have consolidated all 4-H scholarships and there will be one 4-H scholarship application through 4HOnline. The application opens **January 1**, but we'd like to give you this advanced notice, to work on during Holiday break.

As part of the 4HOnline scholarship application, you will also be asked to approve those scholarship applications from your county. On 4-HOnline you will get a message about a "pending event registration" for these scholarships applicants (same process as Know Your Government registration).

If you have any questions or comments on the Scholarship Opportunities webpage or 4-H Scholarship Instructions, please contact Britta Nitcy at [nitcy@wsu.edu](mailto:nitcy@wsu.edu) or 509-335-6479.

The College of Agricultural, Human, & Natural Resource Sciences (CAHNRS) awards approximately \$600,000 in scholarships to students pursuing CAHNRS majors. Students apply by filling out the general WSU scholarship application found on the WSU Future Students website: [scholarships](http://scholarships.wsu.edu).

**NEWS YOU CAN USE**



4H & FFA  
SHOW FEED WORKSHOPS



**BLEYHL FEED WORKSHOPS**

Bleyhl will be offering two show feed classes for 4-H and FFA members. Receive a Free bag of feed to help get your animal started.

- Pasco** – Saturday, January 12, 11:00 AM, Purina Feeds and 1:00 PM, Nutrena Feeds.
- Sunnyside** – Thursday, February 7, 6:30 pm Payback Feeds.

**Inspire Kindness with 4-H and Ponymsitters Club**

How are you inspired to be kind? 4-H and Ponymsitters Club are joining together to highlight the good deeds of kids across the country!

Share your photos on social media using the hashtag #4HInspireKindness. Also, check out the blog!

**RESOURCES:**

State 4-H Website:

<http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/>

Yakima County WSU Extension Website:

<http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/>

Yakima County 4-H Websites:

<http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/>

<http://www.facebook.com/YakimaCounty4H>



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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**JANUARY 2019**

|    |   |                      |
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| 1  | Extension Office Closed, New Year's Day   |                      |
| 1  | 4-H Scholarships website opens up <a href="http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/scholarship-opportunities/">http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/scholarship-opportunities/</a> |                      |
| 6  | 1:00 – 3:00 PM, CWJLS Beef Pre-Tag & Weigh Day, Toppenish Livestock Sales Yard  | Barb Bailey 985-9048 |
| 17 | 7:00 PM, Central Washington Junior Livestock Show Meeting, Show office  |                      |
| 23 | 5:00 PM, Top of the Crop Horse Awards, First Street Conference Room   | Kim Lansing 539-0247 |
| 26 | 11:00 AM-2:00 PM, Valentine Card Making, Joann Fabric   | Jenny Loyd 574-1600  |

**FEBRUARY 2019**

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| 1     | Annual Club Plan due  | Jenny Loyd 574-1600   |
| 1     | All Yakima County 2018-2019 4-H Volunteers - Verified Volunteer Screening completed | Jenny Loyd 574-1600   |
| 16-17 | Know Your Government Conference, Olympia  | Katie Newman 945-5311 |
| 21    | 7:00 PM, Central Washington Junior Livestock Show Meeting, Show office              |                       |
| 28    | CWJLS Preliminary Entry Deadline  |                       |

**MARCH 2019**

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| 8-10 | American Youth Horse Council Symposium, Pullman, WA & Moscow, ID hosted by Whitman County, More information to come later. | Kim Lansing 539-0247 |
| 21   | 7:00 PM, Central Washington Junior Livestock Show Meeting, Show office   |                      |

**APRIL 2019**

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| 18               | 7:00 PM, Central Washington Junior Livestock Show Meeting, Show office            |                        |
| 20               | 9:00 AM, Clean Up day showgrounds, 4H & FFA Parent Help Needed                    |                        |
| 27               | 4-H Spring Leaders Show (Kittitas) Yakima County invited, more info to come later | Kittitas County Office |
| Apr 28-<br>May 1 | Central Washington Jr Livestock Show, Toppenish Fairgrounds                       |                        |

**MAY 2019**

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| Apr 28-<br>May 1 | Central Washington Jr Livestock Show, Toppenish Fairgrounds |  |
| 16               | 7:00 PM, Post Show Meeting for Central WA Jr Livestock Show |  |

**JUNE 2019**

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| 1 | Sagebrush Riders 4-H Club, Performance & Gaming Show, More information to come later | Netta Haller 952-5419 |
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**JULY 2019**

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| 13    | West Valley Dog Show, more information to come later                                  | Becky Johnson 969-7565 |
| 15    | West Valley Fair Horse Show, More information to come later                           | Janet Boucher 949-0864 |
| 26-28 | Horse Pre-Show (Kittitas County invited Yakima County, More information to come later | Kittitas County Office |

**AUGUST 2019**

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| 3 | Sagebrush Riders 4-H Club, Performance & Gaming Show, More information to come later | Netta Haller 952-5419 |
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**SEPTEMBER 2019**

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| 29 | 4-H Horse Show Kittitas Fun Show, More information to come later | Kittitas County |
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