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Due to the Holidays the Yakima County Extension office will be
closed on the following days: Nov. 23-24 & Dec. 25

CLUB, VOLUNTEER & PROGRAM NEWS

76th Annual 4-H Celebration & Leaders Luncheon - Recap

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We were thrilled to see so many wonderful 4-H families and fellow friends of 4-H who attended the event in support of our program. As a final hoo-rah we would like to formally recognize our award winners for the 2022-2023 4-H year, listed on page 3.

4-H Holiday Craft Night! December 7th

Join us at the WSU Yakima County Extension Office on **December 7th** for a 4-H holiday craft party! This event will start at **5:00 pm** where we will have multiple stations set up, each with a different holiday ornament craft for you to make!



Check out these cute ornament examples!



Selah's Annual Lighted Parade

Bundle up & bring your hot cocoa for a night out watching Christmas light displays at Selah's annual lighted parade. We are very excited this year, as Yakima County 4-H will have multiple clubs participating in this event, including; Naches Valley, Sagebrush Riders, Selah 4-H, & the new Furs, Feathers & Fun 4-H Club. Bring the whole family for a night of fun on **December 1st, starting at 6:00 pm** along Wernex Loop to the Selah Civic Center.

Learn to Knit & Crochet with Country Bunch 4-H Club

Break out the yarn and get your knitting needles & crochet hooks ready! The Country Bunch 4-H Club will be partnering with the residents at Holiday Orchard Park to teach our aspiring youth members the basics of crocheting & knitting. This event will be held **December 9th from 10:00 - 11:30 am**, at the Holiday Orchard Park senior living center, located at [620 N 34th Ave, Yakima, WA 98902](#). Don't miss out on a fun morning of learning a new skill! You may even get advice on how to craft your very own cozy blanket, warm scarf or some colorful socks - to gift your family this holiday season!



Record Book Medal of Honor Completion Awards

Please be patient with us as we are undergoing the process of getting these judged. Results for this years record books shall be revealed shortly.



Agricopia - Recap

The Central WA Ag Museum held it's 8th Annual AGRI-COPIA event, from **October 14-15, 2023!** Alongside the wagon rides, tractor games, & pumpkin decorating; Yakima County 4-H had the pleasure of running our "Hop into 4-H" booth. Introducing families to some cute bunnies, while educating the youth on fun rabbit facts and making hopping bunny cups! Thank you to the Central Washington Ag Museum for having us! & Thank you to our 4-H volunteers for your time & efforts in making this event a success!



#GivingTuesday - November 28th

Join the global generosity movement unleashing the power of radical generosity and a global day of giving, fueled by the power of social media and collaboration. It is celebrated on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving and kicks off the charitable season and end-of-year giving.

Join the #GivingTuesday movement with Yakima County 4-H. Whether it's some of your time, a donation, or the power of your voice in your local 4-H community. In the spirit of friendly competition, each Washington state county 4-H asks local donors to make donations on **#GivingTuesday—Nov. 28**, with the goal of receiving at least four donations. The county with the most contributors receives a prize. Everyone has something to give and every act of generosity counts. Join the #GivingTuesday movement and reimagine a world built upon shared humanity and radical generosity. Support your county 4-H by sharing the link to [Make a Gift Today!](#)

Nominate People for the Yakima County 4-H Leaders' Council Executive Board

The Yakima County 4-H Leaders' Council is now taking nominations for positions on their executive board. These will be announced at the next leaders council meeting on **January 22nd, 2024** in the WSU Extension Office Large Conference room. Please take the time to fill out the [nomination form online](#) or by emailing Yakima.4h@wsu.edu to nominate whom you believe would fit one of the roles listed:

President | Vice President | Secretary | Historian | Reporter

Attention Club Leaders - Members pins are available

Recognize your 4-H club members loyalty to the program by honoring them with their yearly participation pin or official club officer pins.

If this is something you are interested in please fill out the form from within your club packet and send it to Yakima.4H@wsu.edu. Can't find the form? Contact the Extension Office for a new copy by calling 509-574-1600 or emailing Yakima.4H@wsu.edu.

Washington State 4-H Volunteer Recognition in Ellensburg - Recap

The Washington State 4-H 2023 Volunteer Recognition Luncheon was held on **Saturday October 28th, 2023**. Many hardworking 4-H volunteer awardees were recognized & honored this day. Everyone seemed to have had a great time! Thank you again to everyone for your contributions & making a difference in the lives of youth statewide!



Washington State 4-H Volunteer Recognition - Thanks volunteers for the centerpieces!

The Washington State 4-H Volunteer Recognition dinner was in need of centerpieces & Yakima County 4-H certainly made an appearance. Single handedly our county contributed over 13 centerpieces to this event. Demonstrating just how amazing our team of volunteers are! Other counties who also contributed some beautiful centerpieces were Snohomish, Colville, & Ellensburg. Thank you to everyone who helped in brainstorming, crafting, and creating some beautiful centerpiece ideas come to life!



4-H SPOTLIGHT

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2023 Yakima County 4-H Award Recipients

Yakima County Leader of the Year

Kattie Blanchard

Outstanding Youth Volunteer of the Year

Jared Sheehan & Lillian Miles

Outstanding First Year Club Award

Clover Country 4-H Club

Inez Walter Perpetual Trophy

Sagebrush Riders 4-H Club

Lew Evans Memorial Trophy - 1st Place Tie

Naches Valley 4-H & Harrah Humdingers 4-H

Toppenish Rotary Trophies - Agriculture

1st Place - Naches Valley 4-H Club

2nd Place - Furs, Feathers & Fun 4-H Club

Toppenish Rotary Trophy - Home Economics

1st Place - Country Bunch 4-H Club

2nd Place - Clover Country 4-H Club

Dennis West Memorial - Livestock Judging

Senior: Caiden Beaman

Intermediate: Sarah Golladay & Payton Turner

Junior: Karris Barnes

Dennis West Memorial - Horse Judging

Senior: Delilah Haller

Intermediate: Addison Blanchard

Junior: Madalyn Hanshew

Yakima County - Dairy Judging

Senior: Jared Sheehan

Intermediate: Andrew Sheehan

Junior: Annelise Sheehan

Clover Leaf Award

5 Years: Barbie Morgan, Tracie Sandin, Ryan O'Neal

10 Years: Clint Adamson, Lynnette Haller, Kelly Adamson

15 Years: Lee Theobald

20 years: Roger Holbrook, Sheryl Duim

Service Leaders & Lifelong Dedication to 4-H Program Award

37 yrs: Art Ries

44 yrs: Willard Mears

56 yrs: Virginia Wolverton

60 yrs: Catherine Mears

"I Dare You" Award

Kayla Krueger

Brandon Gossett

Madison Morgan

Delilah Haller

Lillian Miles

4-H Impact! Award

Kattie Blanchard

Barbara Harrer

Certificates Of Appreciation

Thank you to all the individuals and businesses who've helped, donated time, or sponsored a club and or event within the 2022-2023 4-H program year. In efforts to recognize these individuals, we presented them with a Certificate of Appreciation at the leaders luncheon to honor for their support of 4-H.

These people included:

Safeway, Darla & Manager

Thompson's Farms, Nancy

Fruit City, J.R.

Toppenish Rotary

Jeremy & Shayna Brown

Reagan & Chloe Smith

Martin & Donna Lovins

WS Farms, Tom & Tanner Winckler

Continuing Seals of Support:

Kimberly Lansing

Everett & Bonnie Abercrombie

Rob Ford

Kattie Blanchard

Wilco Farm Store

Pacific Power Yakima

Yakima Valley Dairy Women

Engravings Unlimited

Toppenish Livestock Commission

Friends of 4-H, Benefactor Program:

Dottie & Gary Record

Ron & Jennifer Loyd

Central Washington Jr. Livestock Show

Gene & Sandra Schmitt

Adam & Nancy Miles

Tom & Ruth Moore

Josh & Raimie Mullinnex

Autumn Britt, CWSF

Judy Carrico, CWSF

Arrow Over Diamond F Ranch

Yakima County Cattlemen's Association

Gloria Marley

Honorary 4-H Leaders'

Erika Hettick

Coastal Farm & Ranch

Terrace Heights Grange

Yakima Valley Fair & Rodeo

WA State 4-H Fair - Puyallup

Equine

- Shelby Gossett, Senior Performance/Dressage & Equine Harness Driving & Small Equine
- Jake Beaudry, Senior Performance/Dressage
- Faith Koffler, Senior Performance/Dressage
- Madison Morgan, Senior Performance/Dressage
- Delilah Haller, Senior Western Games

Livestock Judging - Caiden Beaman

Dairy Judging - Claire Sheehan - Senior Reserve Champion

Public Presentation Trophies - Central WA State Fair

Senior 1st Place - Lucy Mullinnex

Senior 2nd Place - Delilah Haller

Intermediate 1st Place - London Snyder

Intermediate 2nd Place - Addison Blanchard

Junior 1st Place - Paisley Snyder

Junior 2nd Place - Wyatt Blanchard

- ★ Inez Walter Perpetual Traveling Trophy: Represents an outstanding horse club in community service work.
- ★ Lew Evans Memorial Trophy: Represents quality of community service projects, harmony and the goodwill developed within the club and community.

TEEN OPPORTUNITIES

YAKIMA COUNTY 4-H KNOW YOUR GOVERNMENT 2024

Conference : Feb 17th-19th. Open to High School Students

2024



SUN DEC 10
PRE-CONFERENCE MEETING 12-2:30
2403 S 18th St STE 100, Union Gap, WA 98903

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SUN JAN 7

2403 S 18th St STE 100, Union Gap, WA 98903

SUN JAN 15
PRE-CONFERENCE MEETING 10:00-2:00
2403 S 18th St STE 100, Union Gap, WA 98903

PRE-CONFERENCE MEETING 12-2:30

SUN FEB 4

2403 S 18th St STE 100, Union Gap, WA 98903

MORE INFO: KATIEDUNN KIDUNN2022@GMAIL.COM **HTTPS://EXTENSION.WSU.EDU/4H/YOUTH/KYG/**

Know Your Government

On President's Day weekend members of the Know Your Government (KYG) 4-H Club will have the opportunity to gather in Olympia, **February 17, 2024** for the Know Your Government Teen Conference. This conference will have a focus on the election theme, called "It's Your Choice". Youth members at this event will pick a candidate and campaign for other delegations to also vote for them. Making a really fun and engaging year for new 4-H youth members to join! If this is something your high school youth member may be interested in, please join us at the pre-conference meeting **December 10**. All of the Know Your Government pre-conference meeting will be held at the WSU Yakima County Extension Office for families to get more information on the state conference in Olympia & for kiddos to learn strategies & tools that can be utilized at the event.

More information regarding this event, can be found on the [KYG Webpage](#) or you can even [watch a short video](#) of what KYG is all about! For further questions or queries please reach out to Katie Dunn at kidunn2022@gmail.com.

LIVESTOCK NEWS

Central Washington Junior Livestock Show Beef Tag and Weigh Day

The Central Washington Junior Livestock Show Mandatory Beef pre-tag and weigh is set for **January 7th, 2023** at the Toppenish Livestock Commission. For more information and what forms you will need, visit the [CWJLS webpage](#) or the [CWJLS Facebook page](#).

Steer Exhibitors - Please note the new minimum weight will be 1150 lbs for the 2024 year.



EQUINE NEWS

Sagebrush Riders 4-H Club

The Sagebrush Riders 4-H club had a busy meeting this fall, including the collection of hygiene and food items for the Ram Landing community service project, they also elected new club officers, and handed out West Valley Fair buckles. Jake Beaudry received Sr. High Point, Addison Blanchard received Int. High Point, and Annelise Sheehan received walk/trot High Point and Jr. Round Robin buckles. Great job everyone!



4-H ENROLLMENT NEWS

4-H Youth Membership Fee

The youth membership fee is due at the time of enrollment and is done through the 4-H online system. The fee is \$25.00 per youth member. Volunteers do not need to pay the fee. You have the option to pay by credit card, send in a check. To request sponsorship for the membership fee, send an email with member(s) name to yakima.4h@wsu.edu.

Annual 4-H Club Packets

Club packets are due soon! We kindly ask that club leaders have these filled out, completed, and sent back to the office **February 1, 2024** with the exception of the financial summary. If you have any questions, concerns, or would like any help in filling this paperwork out please call to Katlyn at the Extension office at 509-574-1600.

Annual Financial Summaries

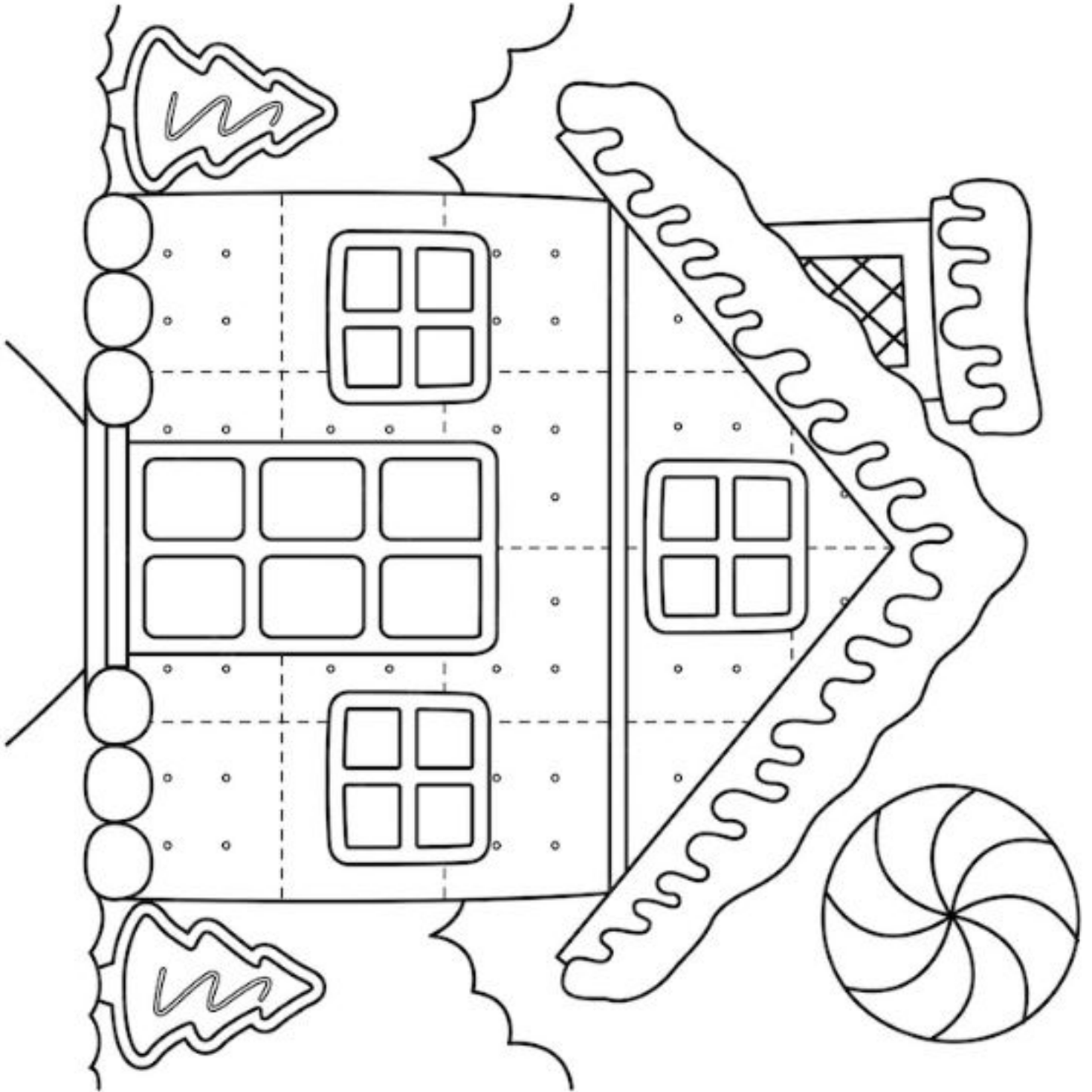
Annual Financial Summary Report for October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023 are due **December 1st**. If your club does not have a checking or savings account, please make a note to that fact on the form, sign the form and return it. Any forms that are not completed or signed will be returned. Instructions are in the [Leader's Guide to the Treasurer's Book \(C1059E\)](#). If you have any questions, please contact Katlyn at the Extension office 509-574-1600.

4-H Club Bank Accounts and EINs

4-H Clubs are given non-profit status under the umbrella of the Washington State 4-H Program. 4-H clubs must be a chartered club in good standing, in order to have a bank account, to fundraise, or to accept funds or gifts and claim non-profit status for their club. To have a 4-H bank account, clubs are required to have an EIN with the IRS. New EIN applications must be completed by 4-H office staff. If your club needs an EIN, please contact Katlyn at the extension office by calling 509-574-1600. Clubs are NO longer allowed to have "shoebox accounts". Clubs are not required to have bank accounts or EINs, but learning about money is a truly valuable life skill.

DESIGN A GINGERBREAD HOUSE - COLORING CONTEST

Create a tasty treat by designing this gingerbread house with festive decorations! List your name & age division on the back & mail it in to Yakima 4-H at 2403 S. 18th Street Suite 100, Union Gap, WA, 98903 for a chance to win a prize within your age division. (Extra point for a statement on why you love the holiday season!)



4-H RESOURCES & IMPORTANT LINKS



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Quick Links

- 🌿 Yakima County 4-H From Home
<https://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/4-hfromhome/>
- 🌿 Yakima County 4-H website:
<http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/>
- 🌿 Yakima County Facebook Page:
<http://www.facebook.com/YakimaCounty4H>
- 🌿 State 4-H Website:
<http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/>
- 🌿 Volunteer Reporting Hours - Give Pulse
<https://wsu.givepulse.com/group/453176>
- 🌿 Volunteer Sterlings Background screening
<https://app.sterlingvolunteers.com/en>
- 🌿 4-H Online Enrollment Link
<https://v2.4honline.com/>
- 🌿 4-H Online Enrollment: Creating Family Profile
Youtube <https://extension.wsu.edu/yakima>
- 🌿 4HOnline Enrollment Guide
<https://s3.wp.wsu.edu/uploads/sites/pdf>

“WSU Yakima County Extension empowers our families, communities, and local partners through a network of educators and volunteers to provide research-based outreach and creative solutions to enhance agricultural productivity, environmental stewardship, and quality of life.”

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 2023		
4	10:00 am, Leader Luncheon Leader Council Meeting, Terrace Heights Grange	Jenny 509-574-1584, Jennifer.loyd@co.yakima.wa.us
4	11:00 am, Leader Luncheon-Honorary Leader Council Meeting, Terrace Heights Grange	Jennifer.loyd@co.yakima.wa.us
4	12:00 pm Leader Luncheon, Terrace Heights Grange	Jennifer.loyd@co.yakima.wa.us
23-24	WSU Yakima County Extension Office - Closed for Holiday	509-574-1600 yakima.4h@wsu.edu
28	Yakima County 4-H #GivingTuesday	Make a Gift Today!
December 2023		
1	Annual Financial Summaries Due!!	509-574-1600 yakima.4h@wsu.edu
1	Support 4-H at Selah's Annual Lighted Parade	yakima.4h@wsu.edu
7	5:00 pm, 4-H Holiday Craft Night - Holiday Ornament Craft, WSU Extension Office, Large Conference Room	yakima.4h@wsu.edu 509-574-1600
9	10:00 - 11:30 am, Learn to Knit & Crochet with County Bunch 4-H Club, Holiday Orchard Park Senior Living Center	Jenny 509-574-1584, Jennifer.loyd@co.yakima.wa.us
10	12:00 - 12:30 pm, Yakima County 4-H Know Your Government Pre-Conference Meeting, WSU Extension Office, Large Conference Room	Kattie Dunn kjdunn2022@gmail.com
25	WSU Yakima County Extension Office - Closed for Holiday	yakima.4h@wsu.edu or 509-574-1600
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15	10:00 am - 2:00 pm, Yakima County 4-H Know Your Government Pre-Conference Meeting, WSU Extension Office, Large Conference Room	Kattie Dunn kjdunn2022@gmail.com
22	Yakima County 4-H Leaders' Council Meeting, WSU Extension Office, Large Conference Room	509-574-1600 yakima.4h@wsu.edu