

**WSU Extension Grays Harbor County 4-H Youth Development
News for September 5, 2018**

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IMPORTANT DATES More events and info on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/graysharbor4h/>

August 31 – September 23rd WA State 4-H Fair, Puyallup, WA

September 15 – October 6th GH & Pacific County 4-H Quilting & Clothing Advisor Training Series,
Contact 4-H Quilting & Clothing Advisor, Jan, at lazyacres227@gmail.com, for more information

September 19 GHC Fair Volunteer Meeting & Dessert Potluck, 6:30 pm

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1984926298426916/>

September 30 Early Bird Registration Due for NW/SW teen Rally

<https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/camps/>

October 1 NEW 4-H YEAR BEGINS!

October 1 Grays Harbor County 4-H Horse Council Meeting, WSU Extension office, 6:30 pm

<https://www.facebook.com/events/249936505542086/>

October 3 National Youth Science Day – Code Your World

<https://4-h.org/parents/national-youth-science-day/>

October 3-14 Tractor Supply Company Hosts Fall paper Clover Campaign

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1505756872876672/>

https://www.tractorsupply.com/landing-pages_4-h_4h-tsc

October 8 Grays Harbor County 4-H Council Meeting (and elections), WSU Extension office, 6 pm

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1789069464457848/>

October 8 Grays Harbor County 4-H Record Books Due, WSU Extension office

<https://www.facebook.com/events/294592961134610/>

October 8 Grays Harbor County 4-H Award Applications Due, WSU Extension office

- Club Awards, Club Year Pin Requests, Project Achievement Awards
- Nominations Due to WSU Extension for Member of the Year
- Nominations due to WSU Extension for Meritorious Service Award, Friend of 4-H Award, etc.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/270495236900060/>

October 9 4-H Volunteer Essentials Workshop – RSVP Due

<https://www.facebook.com/events/158989671630743/>

October 11 4-H Volunteer Essentials Workshop, WSU Extension office, 10 am

<https://www.facebook.com/events/462478854155781/>

October 11 4-H Volunteer Essentials Workshop, WSU Extension office, 5:30 pm

<https://www.facebook.com/events/454639121706123/>

October 16 4-H Club Orientation Workshop – RSVP Due

<https://www.facebook.com/events/505715393204540/>

October 18 4-H Club Orientation Workshop, WSU Extension office, 10 am

<https://www.facebook.com/events/2290247497928249/>

October 18 4-H Club Orientation Workshop, WSU Extension office, 5:30 pm

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1757573694295766/>

October 19-21 WA State 4-H Forum

<https://www.facebook.com/WashingtonState4HForum/> ,

<https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/for-volunteers/washington-state-4-h-forum/>

HEADING TO STATE 4-H FAIR

We are proud to have so many 4-H members representing Grays Harbor County at the State 4-H Fair in Puyallup this year.....have fun and good luck to you all! To view a complete schedule of all 4-H State Fair activities visit <http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/fairs/state-4-h-fair/exhibitor-guide/>. The State 4-H Fair runs August 31 – September 23. Reminder, the fair is closed on all Tuesdays and Wednesday, September 5.

30 DAYS OF DOING

30 Days of Doing is a chance for kids across the nation to do with purpose through hands-on learning. Through activities in agriculture, STEM, community service, healthy living and more, 30 Days of Doing will help kids gain the skills they need to be successful in life—and have fun along the way.

Enter the *Inspire Kids to Do Contest* and you could win a \$10,000 scholarship for your kid – and your state 4-H program could receive \$10,000! Submit a photo that shows how your child inspires themselves or others to do with purpose for themselves, their family, their community, their country or the world. Enter now and you'll receive an "Inspire to Do" List with 30 fun, hands-on activities to do with your kid and a comprehensive 4-H "*Inspire to Do*" Activity Guide after the contest closes.

View details and enter the contest at <https://4-h.org/inspire-kids-to-do/>

YEAR END RECOGNITION & AWARDS SEASON - HELP US RECOGNIZE 4-H MEMBERS

Year Pin Requests, Record Books and Award Applications Due Monday, October 8th

As the 4-H year draws to a close, we have the opportunity to reflect on the learning and accomplishments of 4-H members (and adult volunteers!) this year. Many thanks for all that you do to "Make the Best Better" each year! Many of these accomplishments will be recognized at the annual Celebrate Our Kids event in November.

In the meantime, thank you for working with your 4-H Club Leader to submit your record book for review, along with applications for member of the year, club awards, and year pins. Included below is more information about each of these opportunities, which can also be found online at <http://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/forms/>

> **RECORD BOOKS** are due to the Extension Office no later than 5pm Monday, October 8th or the GH 4-H Council meeting held at 6:00 that evening. Record book scoresheets are also available for your review at <http://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/forms/>

> MEMBER OF THE YEAR

Grays Harbor County 4-H Member of the Year Nominations can be submitted any time before October 8th. With so many deserving members that make a difference every day who will you nominate? One boy and one girl in each age group will be selected as "4-H Member of the Year" for Grays Harbor County. The recipients will receive a certificate and cash award. Individuals may be selected one time per age group. Their names will also be engraved on plaques hanging in the County Extension Office.

> CLUB AWARDS

Application forms and more specific information are available under "GH 4-H Council Awards Guideline" at <http://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/forms/> or at the Extension Office. Applications are due October 8th. Grays Harbor County 4-H clubs can be recognized in the following categories:

- > > Publicity
- > > Membership Building
- > > Community Service
- > > Achievement

Additional recognition is available for 4-H Club Secretaries who complete and turn in the 4-H Secretary Book as well as 4-H Club Treasurers who complete and turn in the 4-H Treasurers Book

OPPORTUNITIES AT TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY

Is your 4-H club looking for a fundraiser or wanting to help raise 4-H awareness in our community? With the Paper Clover Campaign on the horizon for October 3 – 14th, there are plenty of opportunities at the Tractor Supply Company store in Aberdeen. If your club is interested in participating please contact the store manager at 360-533-8888 to make arrangements. Here are just a few ideas:

1. Host a bake sale.
2. Bring your 4-H project and share fun facts about it.
3. Set up a 4-H information table.
4. Participate in the Fall Paper Clover event October 3 -14. This is another great opportunity for clubs to set up a table and sell Paper Clovers, help bag customer purchases, display your animals, etc. When clubs are present in-store during the event, donations increase by more than 40%. Clubs that participate are eligible to enter the Paper Clover Sweepstakes where winners will receive a \$100 TSC gift card. Proceeds from the Fall Paper Clover event benefit, national, state, and our local 4-H program.

WASHINGTON STATE 4-H FORUM

Forum is a great opportunity for teen and adult leaders to build friendships, skills, and knowledge across the state. This year Forum will be held October 19-21 at the Centennial Hotel in Spokane and will feature three days of networking, recognition, and great workshops! Save money and register by October 1. Event, registration, and lodging information is available online at <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/for-volunteers/washington-state-4-h-forum/>.

SAVE THE DATES FOR TEEN RALLIES

Teen Rallies are a weekend get-away for 4-H members grades 7-12. Don't miss the opportunity to attend educational workshops, build leadership skills, and expand relationships with your peers! Put the following dates and locations on your calendar! More details to follow. Keep an eye on <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/camps/> for updates.

- > NE/SE Rally – Get your Ticket To Healthy Living
 - When: November 2-4
 - Where: WSU Spokane Campus
 - Cost: \$99 Early Bird Registration (before 9/28); \$115 Late Registration
- > NW/SW Rally – Fall Adventures
 - When: November 2-4
 - Where: Camp Seymour, Gig Harbor
 - Cost: \$120 Early Bird Registration (before 9/30); \$135 Late Registration

VOLUNTEER HOURS

If you participated in the Grays Harbor Fair, a 4-H meeting, camp, or helped a member with their project you must report these hours. Reporting of volunteer hours documents coverage for injuries they might sustain and it is also documentation for the liability coverage WSU provides to its volunteers. All WSU Extension Volunteers must log on to <http://ext.wsu.edu/Volunteers/logon.aspx> each month to report hours they worked for any WSU Extension program. Your user name will be your last name and first initial, such as "HansonT" and your initial password is password! (all lower case and include the exclamation point!) Once you log in you will have the option to change your password. For additional information visit the [Reporting Your Volunteer Hours](#) page on our website or contact Tracie 360-482-2934 or tracie.hanson@wsu.edu if you need assistance.

4-H teaches life skills that lead young people to become self-directing, positive, contributing members of our society. Extension programs are available to all without discrimination. Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through your local Extension office. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication or program information or reasonable accommodation need to contact Tracie Hanson at PO Box 3018, Elma, WA 98541, (360)482-2934, tracie.hanson@wsu.edu at least two weeks prior to the event. Our county is partnering with neighboring counties—the Constellation group of Mason, Pacific, Lewis, Thurston, etc., to send out e-newsletters. Some articles are from other counties, and include helpful information or invitations to participate in local, regional, or statewide events. Please read carefully.

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Disclaimer: By posting the above "free to a good home" information, WSU Grays Harbor County Extension 4-H does not endorse or give approval for any of these free animals to be used as 4-H project animals. Contact the animal owners at your own risk.

Cooperating agencies: Washington State University, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Grays Harbor County Extension.

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