

CLOVER REPORT

Skamania County 4-H Newsletter
November 2018

HAPPY NEW 4-H Year!

Have you re-enrolled in [4HOnline](#)? All youth members and volunteers should re-enroll prior to the first club meeting of the year or December 31st whichever comes first.

QUICK CLICKS



National 4-H newsletter [here](#)

4-H Curriculum [here](#)

4HOnline [here](#)

Club Requirements Checklist [here](#)

Quarterly Council Meeting via Zoom [here](#)

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WA State 4-H Projects List [here](#)

County Extension Website [here](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 2nd-4th – West Side Teen Rally, Gig Harbor

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Nov. 3rd – New Member Open House, Stevenson, 2pm

Nov. 6th – Holiday Card Making w/ In Stride, Camas, 3pm

Nov. 9th – High Bridge Park Clean up, Carson, 1pm

Nov. 12th – Extension Office Closed

Nov. 17th – Family Volunteer Day

Nov. 22nd-23rd – Extension Office Closed

Nov. 29th – New Leader Orientation, Vancouver, 6pm

Nov. 30th-Dec 2nd – Christmas in the Gorge

Dec. 1st - Due Date for [Club Paperwork](#)

Dec. 1st – Preferred Due Date for 4HOnline Reenrollment

Dec. 8th – New Leader Orientation, Stevenson, 10am

Dec. 21st – Christmas Basket Delivery, Stevenson, 9am

For more details, see the calendar below or visit our [County Extension website!](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Leader Orientation Scheduled

Volunteers who are looking to be Project or General Club Leaders will need to attend a New Leader Orientation before they can be certified. Get our next training on your schedule! Saturday, Dec. 8th from 10am-12pm at the Hegewald Center in Stevenson. RSVP required!

Teen Leaders Needed

This upcoming Spring, the 4-H office will be looking for local 4-H teens to get involved with the YA4-H! program. This involves teaching 2nd and 3rd graders how to make healthy nutritional choices, following a thorough training. Teens will receive stipends to participate. If you are a teen or know a teen who might be interested, please contact the 4-H office!

“The 4-H Clubs believe in and practice the full development of our talents. They believe in physical and mental health. Beyond this there is an underlying creed of honesty of purpose. These objectives and practical projects make the 4-H Clubs a tremendous influence for the betterment of our country.”

Fred M. Vinson

SOCIAL MEDIA

We all know how great it is to be a part of 4-H. Kids are able to experience things and learn things through 4-H that they wouldn't be able to otherwise. We want to reach as many available youth in our counties as possible. Social media can be a great tool in recruiting new 4-H'ers. Lately we have been trying to post some fun things on social media so that anyone who comes across our page can see what 4-H is all about. We have an official Facebook & Instagram account. Please like and follow us to keep up with what is happening in our program. Share events, pictures, posts, etc. with your friends to get the message out about 4-H. We also post important news and announcements from the office so don't miss out!



Skamania County 4-H

<https://www.facebook.com/skamco4H>



@SkaCo4H

<https://www.instagram.com/skaco4h/>

INTERESTED?

If anyone would like to participate in the following programs or opportunities, please contact the 4-H office!

- Dog Project Area
- Know Your Government (KYG) for Teens
- Youth Advocates for Health (YA4-H!) for Teens
- Shooting Sports
- Skamania County Clinic Committee

We are gauging interest, pooling resources, and planning trainings. Your feedback is essential!



HEAD



HEART



HANDS



HEALTH

FEATURED NEWS

Washington
**STATE
FAIR**

PUYALLUP

State Fair Announces Changes for Horses

The WA State 4-H Fair Board has made several decisions regarding the equine department at the 2019 Washington State 4-H Fair. Those changes include:

-Western Dressage will be added to the Performance/Dressage Sections. To allow for a gradual introduction, it will not be necessary to qualify for this class prior to the 2019 fair.

-All equine exhibitors will be allowed to enter one additional riding class in each section. Intermediate participants may ride in five classes, while senior participants will be allowed to ride in six classes.

-The performance and dressage sections will continue to be combined into one section for 2019, with minor changes as listed in the schedule below.

-Exhibitors may have two horses in the performance/dressage section if the county allocation allows. Both horses must qualify in fit/show at the county level. The rider will determine which horse will be used in fit/show at the State 4-H Fair. The fit/show horse must be ridden in at least one riding class at the State 4-H Fair. The county will determine additional qualifying requirements.

This information and the 2019 Fair Schedule for Horses can be found on our Extension Website:

<https://extension.wsu.edu/skamania/youth/4-h-news-and-notes/>

NEWSLETTER

Consider having the youth in your club submit a story or report to share in the monthly Clover Report!

Any questions comments, concerns, or to be featured in the newsletter, please email somer.meade@wsu.edu

Photos are always welcome!

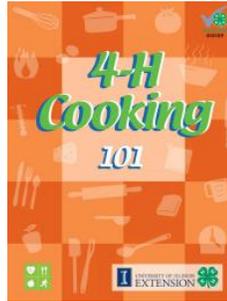
AROUND THE OFFICE

October was a busy month around the 4-H Office and November is looking to be much the same! Here are some of the things we're working on:

- 4HOnline Enrollments
- Onboarding new Volunteers
- Planning the upcoming New Member Open House
- Activity Support for the County Pumpkin Patch & Craft Camps
- After school programming for the Stevenson Carson School District
- Partnerships with several Community organizations
- Requests from the public for support from WSU Extension



SPOTLIGHT ON CURRICULUM



The Holidays are fast approaching, making it the perfect time to engage 4-H Youth in the basics of cooking! Now on sale in the [4-H Mall!](#)

FEATURED NEWS

A Letter from our State Program Leader, Nancy Deringer

"As your State Program Leader, my goals for this next year are to involve stakeholders in the creation of the 4-H Strategic Plan, develop innovative ways for any youth to participate, and create consistent branding of the Washington State 4-H Program. I am also working with teams to develop reliable processes and systems that we will use in counties across the state. I am working on developing formal agreements with our program partners, promoting Washington State University as the land grant university that oversees the 4-H Positive Youth Development through our Extension Youth & Families program unit, and assisting our development office in raising funds that support our youth. It is critical that we build relationships with other youth programs, agricultural commissions, government agencies, educational institutions, and any organization or program that wants all young people to have the opportunity to be empowered."



"Thank you for mentoring and leading our next generation of youth! I hope you feel the sense of pride that comes through being that caring adult in the eyes of a child. It is very difficult to reach out to each one of you to say, "thank you." I appreciate your commitment to our kids and to the Washington State University 4-H Youth Development Program. Keep doing the great work that you do!"

[\(Read the Full Letter Here\)](#)



4-H Open House

4-H is a program designed to teach leadership, citizenship, and life skills to youth between the ages of 5-18. Come learn more about our mission to help the youth in our community reach their fullest potential! Get your questions answered, find out about our different project areas, and other ways to be involved. See first hand the impact 4-H has on the lives of those who participate and the community as a whole!

NOVEMBER 3, 2018
2:00-3:30PM
HEGEWALD CENTER, 710 ROCK CREEK DRIVE - STEVENSON



4-H Skamania County
509-427-3932
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LEADERS CORNER

Clinic Committee

At Leader's Council on October 1st, a new Committee was formed with the goal of getting some Clinics and Local Activities going for our clubs. If you would like to participate on this Committee, please let the 4-H office know!

4-H Pins

The 4-H Office has pins! If your club distributes pins to youth members, please let us know. Somer has inventoried them and can email you what is available for the taking. They will be distributed on a first come, first serve basis and must be picked up at the 4-H Office.

New Volunteers

Our [website](#) has been updated to include all pertinent information for becoming a 4-H volunteer in one place! It all starts with an application. If your club has multiple new volunteers, Somer can come do a New Leader Orientation on site at your next meeting. Contact her to schedule!

CONTACT US!

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COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

High Bridge Park Planting/Cleaning Party November 9th at 1pm

Join us on Friday, November 9th 1:00pm to help us take the first steps in restoring and beautifying an eroded area of High Bridge Park (Bluehole). Volunteers will be replanting native shrubs and trees. We will also be cleaning up any existing garbage on the grounds.



The plants will be provided by the Mid-Columbia Fisheries and all tools will be supplied by the Underwood Conservation District. Feel free to bring your own tools and work gloves if you like.

For any questions please call Skamania County Community Events and Recreation at : 509-427-3980



Christmas Cards for Veterans & Seniors

4-H Club In Stride is hosting a Holiday Card Making event at the Camas Police Station on November 6th from 3-7pm. The goal is to make 300 holiday cards that can be distributed during the Club's traditional horse caroling event at the VA. They would love to have more help!

Skamania County Christmas Baskets

Skamania County Community Events is soliciting help and donations for their Annual Christmas Basket Program. This program helps more than 250 local families during Christmas, with food for meals for several days and toys for the children. If you would like to get involved, donate items, or help raise funds for this program, please let the 4-H office know!

NOVEMBER

2018

Skamania County 4-H Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 New Member Open House 2:00-3:30pm Hegewald, STV
					Teen Rally Weekend	
4	5	6 Card Making @ Camas Police Station Volunteer Opportunity 3:00-7:00pm	7	8	9 Skamania County High Bridge Park Volunteer Opportunity 1:00pm	10
Teen Rally						
11	12 Veterans Day 4-H Office Closed 	13	14 Skamania County Craft Camp 2:00p-5:00p	15	16	17 Family Volunteer Day
18	19	20	21	22 	23 Native American Heritage Day 4-H Office Closed	24
25	26	27	28	29 New Leader Orientation 6:00pm (Clark)	30 Christmas in the Gorge Kicks Off Club Paperwork due TOMORROW!	