



# **GRANT COUNTY 4-H UPDATE**

December 2023

Happy December.

As we enter the final month of the calendar year, I would like to give you a program enrollment update. We have nearly 200 enrollments that have been started in 4honline (many are still awaiting review). Please keep your eye on your enrollment and make sure it is approved by the end of January to avoid the late fee. Leaders, please especially be vigilant, you will need to attend an update and all year end club documents need to be turned in (due September 15) before member enrollments will be processed for your club. New this year is the return of the paper Member Agreement Form. It will need to be signed and returned to Ana at the office (via email is fine), one for each member.

December brings us many holidays from all over the world. Discussing or reading about the different cultural events make a great club activity. Michigan State University has a wonderful gnome craft activity that can be found here https://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/crafts-around-the-world-series-europe-norwegian-gnome-nisse

To add a little wonder to your day, I am sharing this fascinating informational page on Tasmanian Devils. https://www.australia.com/en-us/things-to-do/wildlife/tasmanian-devil-facts.html#:~:text=Tasmanian%20devils%20are%20very%20timid,fear%20and%20anxiety% 20than%20aggression. I had no idea they gave birth to that many offspring and their jaws were so strong. We live in an amazing world.

Enjoy the month of December.

Carolyn

#### **Leaders Council Meeting**

Monday, December 4 at 7 pm (Hybrid: Zoom and at the Extension Office

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS, or Android: https://wsu.zoom.us/j/97252564505 Phone Call (long distance) +1(253)215-8782, 97252564505#

#### **December Leader Updates**

#### **Two Virtual Leader Updates Scheduled for December 19**

Please RSVP to Ana to obtain the Zoom information, ana.myers@wsu.edu

- Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at 12:10 pm
- Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at 8:00 pm

The updates last about 40 minutes. Leaders only need to attend one. New applicants only need to attend a new leader training, not an update.

### New Leader Training

Wednesday, December 20, 2023 at 6:30 pm.

Please RSVP to Ana to obtain the Zoom information, ana.myers@wsu.edu New applicants only need to attend a new leader training, not an update.

### Know Your Government (KYG) February 17-18, 2024



This is a wonderful opportunity for those who would like to learn leadership skills, meet other young people, and think critically. We also are seeking adults to act as resource leaders and chaperones. Please contact Carolyn for more information, grant.4h@wsu.edu or (509) 766-3181.

### Equine Presentations (Seniors Only)

Are you interested in giving a public presentation on an equine topic? The state competition will be held the first weekend of February. This is an excellent opportunity to further develop public speaking skills. It is also a great opportunity to expand your knowledge base. Please contact Carolyn for more information, grant.4h@wsu.edu or (509) 766-3181.

### International Exchange



Outbound Travel Opportunities to the following countries in the Summer of 2024.

- Costa Rica (age 15-18) June 20-July 19
- Japan 4 week (age 12-18) July 10-August 9
- Japan 8 week (age 15-18)June 12-August 9
- South Korea (age 12-17) July 16-August 15
- Taiwan (age 12-18) July 16-August 15
- Norway (age 15-18) June 20-July 15
- Argentina (age 15-18) June 20-July 15

You can start an application by visiting the online link: https://smr.to/p92010

Washington State Applications are due December 10. Application process includes online application, interview, references, signed terms and conditions.

For more information, please contact Carolyn. carolyn.russo@wsu.edu

### There Will be a Late Fee Applied to Unpaid Enrollments on February 1

### Year-End Club Paperwork Was Due September 15

\*\* Club member enrollments cannot be processed until all the documents are turned in. \*\*

- Updated and or current Secretary Book
- Annual End of Year Financial Report (if the club has a bank account)
- Annual Plan and Project List (for chartered clubs or family clubs)







#### Thank You to the Following Clubs for Turning in Year-End Paperwork

89ers, Gloyd Ranchers, Show Stoppers Family Club, Backyard Farmers, Block 40, Quincy Sportsmen, Buckshot Buckaroos, Ghost Gamers, Liberty Livestock, Country Club, Small Town Ranchers, GQs, and Mae Valley Ranchers and Riders.

#### We still have quite a few project reviews and record books at the Extension Office. Please make arrangements to pick them up by January 5.

#### **Upcoming Events**

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September 15	All Club Year-End Documents Are Due
December 4	Leaders Council Meeting
December 10	Outbound International Exchange Applications Due
February 3	State Equine Presentations Contest
February 17-18	Know Your Government





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## LINKS

- Friday Update Archive
  - Grant County 4-H
  - 4-H Tuesday News

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Virtual 4-H Programs and Resources

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Report Your 4-H Volunteer Hours

Volunteer Training

Washington 4-H Volunteer Orientation Modules

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4-H Forms & Materials

**Financial Forms** 

4-H Club Officer Resources

4-H Policies and Procedures Handbook

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Information for Members, Volunteer Leaders, and Parents

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