

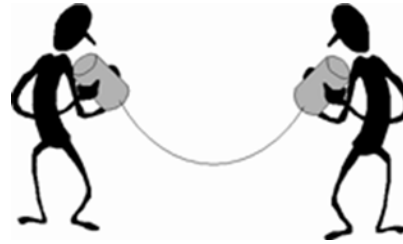


Snohomish County



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CloverGram March 20, 2015



4-H Outreach Opportunities!

Do you like to talk? Are you enthusiastic about 4-H? We are looking for volunteers to meet and greet at these upcoming events. Turn-key operation! We have materials. Please let me know if you can help! beth.wangen@wsu.edu or 425-357-6005.

- Expo Finanzas, March 28th, 1-5 p.m. in Lynnwood (Monolingual and bilingual volunteers welcome)
- Healthy Kids Day, April 25th, 10-1:00 at the Monroe Y
- Community Connects Family Expo, May 2nd, 10-3:00 in Arlington (part or all of the time)

April 1st Deadline for Volunteer Enrollment

Remember, discounted fair passes for volunteers will be available only for those volunteers enrolled by April 1st. If you are close to completing your enrollment process, please keep this in mind!

WA State 2015 4-H Forum

It's not until next October 16-18, but if you'd like to help out, the committee of volunteers doing the planning is still looking for some folks to run the hospitality room. It's in Everett! So convenient! If you can help, please contact Don Ballard at balbunbarn@aol.com.

A Message from 4-H International Exchange

Last week marked the fourth anniversary of the earthquake and tsunami that devastated Japan in 2011. Below is a link to a video that touches on the tragedy yet also on the tremendous gratitude for the help the world offered. Please take the time to watch this very touching tribute:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SS-sWdAQsYg>

In a small way, we encounter cultures when our nation offers emergency aid or when a group is highlighted in the media. For over 40 years, Washington 4-H has facilitated an international exchange program with the country of Japan with the goal of cultural awareness, language and promoting friendships that cross the ocean binding the two countries together. This summer, there are over 40 Japanese delegates spending a month in our state. We are looking for Washington host families who have children in the home between the ages of 10 and 18 and are willing to share their lives with a delegate for one month (July 25-August 21, 2015). The **4-H International Exchange Program** is an opportunity to welcome another culture and extend an arm of friendship. We live in a global environment and by hosting, youth and families learn by doing. Outside of the short term summer hosting, we also offer foreign travel for youth and a traditional yearlong high school exchange. Please consider participating. Online applications can be found at <http://www.states4hexchange.org/host-families/create-account.aspx> For more information please contact Carolyn Russo, the state coordinator, at 509-431-0719 or carolyn.russo@wsu.edu

Homespun Spring Bazaar

The Evergreen Fair Foundation is hosting a Spring Bazaar at the fairgrounds the weekend of April 25-26. They have offered FREE table space to 4-H clubs that would like to show or sell at the bazaar! Vendors must be YOUTH, not parents. Does your club make cute wool critters? Aprons? Honey? Baked goods? Do you have something else you'd like to show off or sell? Let me know by April 1st! beth.wangen@wsu.edu or 425-357-6005.

Statewide Meeting Limits Staff Access Next Week

From Tuesday p.m. through Thursday, March 24-26, your 4-H program folks (Jana, Phoebe, and Beth) will be at a statewide 4-H conference. Debbie will still be in your favorite McCollum Park office, chipping away at database input and generally being amazing. Thanks for your patience!

Upcoming Event Dates/Reminders:

March 20: Quality Assurance class at Ed Center. Topics: good production practices and emergency farm plans; RSVP to beth.morrison@wsu.edu

March 21: SnoCo Together Community Skills Fair: Free community learning event, free food and childcare. Register at <http://snocotogether.brownpapertickets.com>

March 21-22: Teen Summit at Camp Koinonia in CleElem <http://4h.wsu.edu/members/summit/html>

March 24: 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. The youth that went to the Western National Stock Show for a livestock judging field trip will be sharing their experiences at Stanwood High School in Room 482 (Mr. Carlson's classroom).

March 28: Small Animal Show at Evergreen State Fairgrounds
Rabbit registration link: <http://ext100.wsu.edu/snohomish/wp-content/uploads/sites/11/Greensleeves-SnoCo-Rabbit-Flyer-2015.doc>



April 4: Children's Craft Show, 9:30-11:30 at Jennings Park Barn, 6915 Armar Rd. \$15 vendor fee; free to attend. Contact mburgess@marysvillewa.gov for application and details.

If you have missed previous CloverGrams or the monthly CloverLeaf newsletter, you can find them here: <http://ext100.wsu.edu/snohomish/4h/resources/>