



THURSTON COUNTY 4-H LINK



February 21, 2020

A newsletter for volunteers, members and families of Thurston County 4-H



Save the Date to Host a Summer International Delegate

This summer from **July 24 – August 19**, your family can host a delegate from Japan or Taiwan. A Washington 4-H International Exchange host family needs to have a child or the same gender and within 3 years of the delegate's age to fill the role of "host sibling". Host families do not need to be active in 4-H.

Make this a summer to remember by giving your family a global experience.

The host family application is online at <https://www.states4hexchange.org/>

For more information go

to <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/global-4-h/international-exchanges/>

The Thurston County 4-H Youth Development Extension Coordinator position has posted. For more information, go to

<https://www.wsujobs.com/postings/50505>

Calling All Highschool Songwriters!

The 2020 Musical Theater Songwriting Challenge is open to receive applications from any high school student with a passion for writing songs that could be part of a musical theater production. For more information and

to apply, go to:

<https://www.arts.gov/national-initiatives/songwriting>



The Washington State 4-H Shooting Sports National Qualifying Event

Will be held on May 15-17, 2020, at the Upper

Nisqually Sportsman Club, Eatonville, Washington. Events will include archery, rifle, pistol and shotgun. More information will be available soon.

**True Leaders
Make Healthy
Choices**



Plan ahead for the
2020 WA State 4-H Fair

[Fair Patch Design Contest due May 15](#)

[Creative Kids Contest Brochure](#)



Scholarship Opportunities

The Washington State 4-H Scholarship applications are available for completion through March 15. If you are a high school senior 4-H'er, now is the time to start collecting your supplemental documentation. More information and instructions for applying can be found at

<https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/scholarship-opportunities/>

University of Idaho Hosts 4-H Teen Association Conference – and Washington State 4-H is Invited!

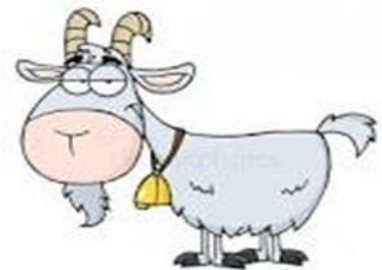
University of Idaho Extension 4-H will be hosting their 2020 State Teen Association Conference (STAC) June 22-25, 2020 on the University of Idaho campus in Moscow. Washington State University 4-H has been invited to participate – more information coming soon!

Community Service Opportunity:

The Lacey Rotary Foundation is looking for volunteers to help at their annual Duck Dash, to be held on June 6, 2020, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. If you are interested in volunteering at this event, contact Bill McGregor at (360) 918-3821, mcgregorbill@Hotmail.com.

4-H Rabbit Show February 29, 2020 in North Bend, WA

All are invited to King County's first 4-H Rabbit Show, to be held at the Sallal Grange in North Bend, Washington on Saturday, February 29. There'll be fitting and showing and type contests, as well as concessions and a raffle. This show is a joint show with FFA; if entries are members of both organizations they made enter both, but not use the same rabbits (standard FFA/4-H rules apply). For more information, contact Amy Graham at aimshoe@gmail.com, WSU King County Extension 4-H



Thinking about Thurston County Fair 2020....

Next year's Thurston County Fair mascot is a **billy goat**. Slogans might be something like "Come be a kid again", "Here we goat again", etc. Can you think of some clever slogans? Please share them with Ann avshiple@comcast.net

Interested in having fun and unusual judges (legislators, judges, mayors or commissioners) for some of your "for fun" contests? Expertise should not be required. Let Ann Shipley know if you're interested. avshiple@comcast.net

To Make the Best **BETTER**

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

[Capitol Land Trust Volunteer Events](#)

[Native Plant Salvage](#)

CHECK IT OUT!

[CLICK HERE](#) FOR THE **WSU EXTENSION** CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 9, 6:30 p.m.	4-H Council Meeting
March 10, 7:00 p.m.	4-H Horse Committee Meeting
March 10, 7:00 p.m.	4-H Dog Committee Meeting
March 15	Deadline to submit Washington State 4-H Scholarship Applications

4-H welcomes kids of all beliefs and backgrounds, giving them a voice to express who they are and how they make their lives and communities better

Thanks for supporting Thurston County 4-H programs through rewards Programs.



WSU THURSTON COUNTY 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

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Extension Office hours T-F 9-5

Please submit club, project, and community news and opportunities to share in the 4-HLink by Wednesday each week.



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Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication or program information or reasonable accommodation should contact the WSU Thurston County 4-H office at 3054 Carpenter Rd SE, Olympia, tc4h@co.thurston.wa.us at least two weeks prior to the event.