New 4-H
Family Fair
Orientation
Wed. June 3
6:30 – 8:00 pm
Ext. Office

4-H Project Series
Jewelry-Poster-Recycled
Wed. June 3, 6:30-8:30 pm
String-Bud Vase-Tie Dye
Sat., June 6th, 9 am-12 pm
Leaf/Bark/Twig Collection
Sat. June 6th, 2 - 4 pm
@ Ext. Off or Ag Ctr. See Inside!

Backdrop & Float Prep
JLC - July 1, 6 pm, Ag Ctr.
Pizza provided – Must register!
4-H 4th of July Float – 7/4!
Float set-up 8:30 am
Parade 10 am, Rock Hall

4-H Online Quality Assurance Training
Deadline – July 1st!
HANDS ON QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING!
Notice will be sent by postcard!

KENT CO. FAIR
PRE-ENTRY
DEADLINE
June 15-Postmarked & Delivered

Much more inside!!!

June 1st Deadlines:
-Enrollment for New 4-H’ers
-Project sign-up deadline to enter in 2015 Fair

Other Events Coming Up!
5/12 & 7/1 – JLC Meetings
5/16: Dairy Day @ Kent Museum, 12-3 pm
5/18 & 6/1: UME 4-H Vol. Training, 6-9 pm, EO
5/27: Horse Jamboree Packets Due

July 1st Deadlines:
-Level 1-5 Diamond Clover Applications due
-Fashion Revue Fair Entries

Flag Day
June 14, 2015

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4-H is getting even Greener! – If you would like to receive your 4-H Times newsletter by email or email link, please contact the 4-H office and we will switch you over for the next newsletter! Thanks for helping save paper, toner, electricity and other valuable natural resources.

May
9 Eastern Shore Spring Show, QA County 4-H Park, Centreville
12 Jr. Leadership Council (JLC), 7:00 pm, Extension Office
16 1st Annual Dairy Day, 12:00 – 3:00 pm, Kent (Farm) Museum, Kennedyville. 4-H Booths and Exhibits
18 Adolescent Substance Abuse Coalition, 5:30 pm, Public Works Conference Room
   UME 4-H Volunteer Training, 6:00 – 9:00 pm, Extension Office. Must register by 5/17
21 Ag Center Board of Directors Meeting, 7:00 pm, KUMC
23 4-H Avian Bowl Chic Filet Practice Contest, College Park. Register by 5/21
   Rabbit and Poultry Judging Workshop, 9:00 am, The Rocks 4-H Camp, Harford County. Register by 5/18
25 Extension Office Closed – Memorial Day Holiday
26 4-H Leaders Council, 7:00 pm, Extension Office
27 Deadline: Horse Jamboree Packets Due to Kent Extension Office
30 MD 4-H Horse Judging Contest, UMD Campus Farm, College Park
   MD 4-H Hippology Contest, Plant Sciences Bldg., College Park
   (KCHS Graduation – Congratulations Kent 4-H’ers: See Congrats section of 4-H Times)
30-31 Cecil County Breeders Fair, Fair Hill

June
1 DEADLINE: New 4-H Member Enrollment Deadline for eligibility to compete in the 2015 Kent County Fair
   DEADLINE: 4-H New or Change of Project Sign-up deadline for eligibility to enter that Project in the 2015 Kent Co. Fair
   UME 4-H Volunteer Training, 6:00–9:00 pm, Ext. Off. Register by 5/29 Last Face to Face training before Fair.
   Kent 4-H Awards and Recognition Committee, 7:00 – 8:00 pm, Extension Office (tentative)
3 New Family Fair Orientation Night, 6:30 – 8:00 pm, Extension Office
   4-H Project Night with Kathy – Jewelry Making, 4-H Poster Art and/or Recycled Craft/Sculpture, 6:30 – 8:30 pm, Extension Office. Must sign-up by June 1st!
6 4-H Project Workshop, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon, Extension Office. Must register by June 1st!
   Leaf Collection Workshop with Cindy, 2:00 – 4:00 pm, Location to be announced Registration deadline 6/1!
   Kent All Stars Pulled Pork Sandwich Sale, 11 am - ?? Kingstown, Farm Home and Garden Center
15 DEADLINE: KENT COUNTY FAIR ENTRY DEADLINE FOR ALL PRE-ENTERED EVENTS! Entries must be delivered to the Extension office by 4:30 pm or postmarked by Monday June 15th
20 State 4-H Avian
21-26 National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational, Grand Island Nebraska. Good Luck Brett!
24-28 Eastern Shore 4-H Camp for 8-13 year olds, Thendera 4-H Center, Dorchester County
28 4-H Day at the Baltimore Orioles, Camden Yards (see inside for details)
29 4-H Art and Photography project mounting night, 6:30 – 8:30 pm, Extension Office

July
1 DEADLINE: 4-H Diamond Clover Level 1-5 completed Applications due to 4-H Office
   DEADLINE: 4-H Fashion Revue Entries Due to Extension Office
   “Bats – Super Heroes of the Night”, 3:00 pm, Summer Reading Program at the Kent Co Library, Chestertown
   Jr. Leadership Council (JLC), 6:00 pm, Backdrop and Float Prep, Kent Ag Center. Pizza to all who register.
   Extension Office Closed – Independence Day Holiday Observed
3 Independence Day Holiday
4 4-H Float in Rock Hall 4th of July Parade, 10:00 am parade begins, 8:45 am – float prep., Legion Rd, Rock Hall
8 4-H All Clubs Clean-Up Night, 6:00 pm, Kent Ag Center. All 4-H families should plan to attend.
11 Final Ag Center Fair Prep and Clean-up Day, 9:00 am , Kent Ag Center
14 – 19 Kent County Fair Week
16 – 18 Kent County Fair, Kent Ag Center, Tolchester Theme: “4-H: Fun for the Whole Herd”
   4-H Adopt-a-Highway Pick-up (2), 9:00 am, start at Urieville Lake Recreation Area
25 4-H Leaders Council – Fair 4-H Wrap-up, 7:00 pm, Extension Office
31 DEADLINE: State Fair Entries Due, all entries must be entered online by 11:59 pm www.marylandstatefair.com

August
22 4-H Adopt-a-Highway Pick-up (3), 9:00 am, start at Urieville Lake Recreation Area
26 Kent state fair entries delivered to Timonium, volunteers needed. Leave about 12:30 pm.
27 – September 7 Maryland State Fair, MD State Fairgrounds, Timonium
September
5  Deadline: Diamond Clover Level 6 Service Project Application due to Kent 4-H Office.
7  Extension Office Closed ~ Labor Day Holiday
Final day of MD State Fair, State Fairgrounds, Timonium
8  Junior Leadership Council (JLC), 7:00 pm, Extension Office
12  MD State 4-H Rifle Match, Marriottsville, MD (Baltimore County)
15  Deadline – Completed Diamond Clover Level 6 Service Project Application due to MD State 4-H Office.
17  Ag Center Board of Directors Meeting, 7:00 pm, Kennedyville U. M. Church
19  MD 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Mandatory Update Training, Patuxent 4-H Center
25  Kent 4-H Demonstration and Visual Presentation Night, 6:00 pm, Extension Office. Must register by 9/18/15
29  4-H Leaders Council, 7:00 pm, Extension Office

October 4-10  National 4-H Week
10  4-H Adopt-a-Highway Pick-up (4), 9:00 am, start at Urieville Lake Recreation Area
24  State 4-H Shotgun Match, Prince George’s County

Welcome New 4-H’ers and Volunteers!
4-H’ers:
Nicole Baxter  Paige Miller  Kaleb Schultz
Jack Buckley  Brayden Mitchell  Andrew Tosten
Allison Davis  Trice Moore  Derrick Troyer
Gavin Fisher  William Morris  Stacey Troyer
Cody Fleming  Emily Moxley  Alex Wagenmann
Kevin Isadorski  Emily Norris
Kaleb Maristch  Charlie Redman
Thomas Martinez  Atlantis Riggin

Volunteers:
Drew Debnam
Haleigh Baxter

Congratulations to:
😊 State Portfolio Interview Participants – Mark Debnam, Jason Douthit and Henry Myers. Great job!!!
😊 Achievement Banquet Awardees! Congratulations to the 76 4-H’ers who were recognized! Here are the major award winners:
  o Safety Award – Trey Nelson
  o Character Award – RJ Baldwin
  o Spirit Award – Aiden Dunlap, Alexandra Miller, Michael Nickerson, Casey Roberts and Robert Baldwin
  o RB Jr. Mini-Record Story – Reserve Madisyn Yiannakis, Champion McKenna Sweetman
  o RB Int. Mini-Record Story – Reserve Trey Nelson, Champion Grace Boege
  o RB Jr. Story – Hon. Mention Aubrey Clarke, Reserve Anna Phillips, Champion Kendall Langenfelder
  o RB Int. Story – Hon. Mention Alexi Langenfelder, Reserve Sarah Parker, Champion Mitch Debnam
  o RB Sr. Essay – Hon. Mention Kyle Plummer, Reserve Mark Debnam, Champion Cassie Plummer
  o RB Resume Awards – Reserve Kyle Plummer, Champion Mark Debnam
  o Top RB Jr. Mini – Reserve Julia Reed, Champion Sarah Hofstetter
  o Top RB Int. Mini – Reserve Trey Nelson, Champion Grace Boege
  o Top RB Jr – Hon. Mention Parker Miller, Reserve Kendall Langenfelder, Champion Aubrey Clarke
  o Top RB Int. – Hon. Mention Dutch Nickerson and Michael Nickerson, Reserve Dylan Hill, Champion Mitch Debnam
  o Top RB Sr. – Hon Mention Jennifer Quinn, Laurie Quinn, Cassie Plummer, Kyle Plummer and Baxter Nickerson, Reserve Austin Hill, Champion Mark Debnam
o RB Participation – Kent Clover Calf Most Record Books, Jr. Dairy Associates Greatest % of Members
o Challenge to Serve – Laurie Quinn
o Make the Best Better – Kyle Plummer
o Most Active 4-H’ers – Anna Phillips, Dylan Hill, Mark Debnam
o I Dare You – Zak Kendall, Jennifer Quinn
o 4-H Family of the Year – Bill, Holly, Lexi and Kendall Langenfelder

Jennifer Quinn – whose drawing was selected as the 2015 Fair Premium Book Cover and Backdrop. Congratulations!

4-H’ers who completed 4-H Club Officer Training on March 14th – Grace Boege, Austin Hill, Dylan Hill, Stephen Quinn, Ryan Redding and Max Scott.

Jason Douthit and Casey Roberts – both competed in Senior Extemporaneous at Regional 4-H Public Speaking at Easton High School. Jason earned participation in a very competitive field and his 1st time doing Sr. Extemp. Casey earned 3rd place. Well done!

Brett Baldwin – who earned a spot on the MD State 4-H Shotgun Team! He will travel to Nebraska this summer for the competition. Well Done Brett!

Mark Debnam – earned the Kent Co. spot to attend National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, GA, November 2015. Congratulations!

Dylan Hill, Ethan Miller, Henry Myers, Dustin Phillips and Cassie Plummer – who attended and completed 4-H Tractor School April 10-12 in Caroline County. Ethan, Henry and Dustin completed the driving portion and are now certified to work on a farm. Dylan and Cassie will take the driving portion of the certification later this spring. Well Done!

Laurie Quinn – who attended MD 4-H Engineering Camp April 17-19, 2015 at the Rocks 4-H Camp in Harford County.

Austin Hill, Dylan Hill, Alexandra Miller, Ethan Miller, and Henry Myers – who competed in the MD State 4-H Dairy Bowl completion April 18th. Alexandra placed 2nd in the Junior Team division on a combined Frederick/Kent team. She also placed 10th junior individual. The Senior Team placed 4th and missed 3rd by .55 of a point! Dylan Hill placed 10th senior individual, Ethan placed 7th and Henry placed 4th! Ethan and Henry are eligible to try for the State 4-H Dairy Bowl team at the Dairy Buzz Off later this year. Very well done!

Kent 4-H’ers at Regional Tractor School, Atlantic Tractor-Queen Anne.

Kent Dairy Bowl Team with Coach Caleb Snyder

Kent 4-H High School Graduates! Kent County High School – Seth Betley, Mark Debnam, Zakary Kendall, Kyle Plummer, Jennifer Quinn, Laurie Quinn, Casey Roberts; Gunston – RJ Baldwin

اسلش To the 27 4-H’ers who took Leadership roles for the 4-H Achievement Banquet on March 8th – RJ Baldwin, Ann Bitter, Sara Bitter, Aubrey Clarke, Lydia Davis, Mark Debnam, Mitch Debnam, Austin Hill, Dylan Hill, Matthew Hofstetter, Sarah Hofstetter, Alexis Langenfelder, Kendall Langenfelder, Paige Miller, Parker Miller, Henry Myers, Paul Myers, Kylee Naumann, Baxter Nickerson, Anna Phillips, Cassie Plummer, Kyle Plummer, Jennifer Quinn, Stephen Quinn, Paige Todd and Abbey Zsebedics. Everyone did a fantastic job!
**4-H Youth Leadership and Planning Committees**

Updates on Local, Regional and State Level Leadership Opportunities and Activities

**MD 4-H State Council** (formerly Teen Council) The MD 4-H State Council elected officers in January. They are:

- **President:** Gabrielle Cory (St. Mary’s Co.)
- **Secretary:** Olivia Richart (Cecil Co.)
- **Vice President of Planning and Outreach:** Christian Windsor (St. Mary’s Co.)
- **Vice President of Service:** Josiah Manning (Calvert Co.)
- **Vice President of Public Relations:** Sabrina Dobbins (St. Mary’s Co.)
- **Vice President of Finance:** Gillian Hutter (Montgomery Co.)
- **Vice Present of Public Issues:** Anna Schuster (Howard Co.)

Each County/Unit had two voting members, chosen and assigned randomly from the County delegation. Voting occurred both in person and via an online survey. The first activity that council members participated in was Maryland 4-H Legislative Day held February 15-16 in Annapolis.

**NEW - Maryland 4-H State Council Webpage!** The Maryland 4-H State Council has a new webpage in our State 4-H website. The easiest way to get to it is by using the following [State 4-H Program Areas](http://extension.umd.edu/4-h/4-h-program-areas/maryland-4-h-state-council). You will want to add this to your bookmarks!

The long way to get there is to go to: [http://extension.umd.edu/4-h](http://extension.umd.edu/4-h)

Click on **4-H Program Areas**, Click on **Youth and Adult Leadership**, Click on **State Council**

This is where you can find the application for the Council- **enrollment in the program is open year round**. You can also see past meeting minutes, and upcoming newsletters for updates on what the Council is doing!

**Kent Junior Leadership Council News - JLC 2015**

The 2nd meeting of 2015 was held March 12th. All 4-H’ers interested in Leadership, working with other 4-H’ers from different clubs, helping guide the Kent 4-H program and of course, having FUN are welcome and encouraged to attend. Present: **RJ Baldwin, Mitch Debnam, Jason Douthit, Austin Hill, Dylan Hill, Sarah Hofstetter, Jillian Lovett, Henry Myers, Trey Nelson, Cassie Plummer, Kyle Plummer, Jennifer Quinn, Laurie Quinn, Casey Roberts** and next time, You!

Adult Guests: **Jen Debnam, Kathy Myers, Cheryl Plummer, Teresa Quinn**

Here are highlights from the meeting:

- **Meeting began with lots of games from professional team work specialist Jim Cain.** The 4-H Office has a kit of great activities that can be borrowed for club meetings. JLC will be learning games throughout 2015!
- **Leadership Skills** – at every meeting member learn leadership skills. This month featured the Character Match Game from Jim Cain where 2 groups played a memory game and had to relate character traits to leadership.
- **Solicited** for a Kent JLC member or members to serve on the Maryland State Council (formerly Teen Council). This is the state youth leadership group that currently has about 40 members. Anyone interested should contact the Kent 4-H Office for an application.
- **Recognized** JLC members for their leadership at the Achievement Banquet and for honors received.
- **Looking for Youth and Volunteers to lead Green and White Challenges at the Fair.** Thanks [Casey Roberts](mailto:casey.roberts@umd.edu) for agreeing to lead the 4-H Trivia Contest! There are lots of events to choose from or you can create your own challenge. Contact the 4-H office if you are interested in leading a Green and White Challenge.
- **Achievement Follow-up:**
  - Clay Crushers would like to change their club assignment for 2016. So, we will be looking for a club or clubs to take on the decorations. Ms. Beth will take to Leaders Council on 3/31.
  - A suggestion was made to do a pig roast with the pig from the Fair Livestock Sale for the Achievement Banquet. Interesting idea!
  - Suggested having the 4-H Food Drive collection at Achievement. Youth leaders will be needed to collect, weigh and announce the winner.
- **Fair Youth Fund** – After many suggestions, the JLC chose to fund the making of 2 educational signs for the Ag Center – a Cow Sign for outside the dairy barn and a Pig Sign for outside the
livestock barn at a cost of approximately $400+ each. (Last year, 4-H funded the barn sign at right.) JLC members will decide use of remaining funds in May. *Note: the Youth Fund has $1,932.59. So if the signs take about $900, there is still $1000 for the JLC to spend. Other ideas to fund included:

- Sun shades, fun for the horse barn, tug-o-war rope, shelving in the exhibitor bathrooms, signs to improve traffic through food vendors and toilet paper holders in the exhibitor bathrooms.
- Last year JLC funded 6 fans for the main arena and redoing the memorial stone area (pictured below).

Service Projects – JLC members were asked to help with the Ag Center Auction clean-up on 3/14 (6 members attended, see picture in Ag Center report) and to attend and help with the Ag Center Auction Saturday 3/21/15.

The meeting concluded with recognition of Jennifer Quinn for her winning Fair Premium Book Cover Design. Congratulations!

Next JLC Meeting – Tuesday May 12, 2015; 7:00 pm at the Extension Office

Agenda includes fair, additional youth fund spending, teamwork and leadership activities, more!

CLUB NEWS and REPORTS

**Clubs: should be preparing 4-H Promotion booths, banners and parade entries for fair!**

**Bits and Bridles 4-H Horse Club** – Club members are completing horse and pony ID cards and leases. The club will be marching in the Galena Dogwood Festival parade May 2nd. Members are practicing for the fair and learning information to prepare them to take the Level 1 and 2 4-H Horsemanship Standards written and riding tests. BB meets the 3rd Saturday day of each month at the Running W Kennel. Contact Stephanie Turner, 443-262-9735 for more information.

**Clay Crushers 4-H Shotgun Club** – Congratulations to club member Brett Baldwin who earned a spot on the MD State Shotgun team that will travel to the National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational in Nebraska this June. Members are practicing trap and skeet each month. Join us every 2nd and 4th Sundays at the Kent County Gun Club and Sudlersville Skeet Club. Russ Parson, Club Leader.

**Fuzzy Tails & Shiny Scales 4-H Club** – Members are working with their rabbits in preparation for the Eastern Shore Spring Show rabbit show and the Kent County Fair. At their April meeting, youth worked on rabbit showmanship and clovers had a special activity with co-leader Jessica Matthews. The club meets the 4th Thursday of the month at the Presbyterian Church of Chestertown at 6:30 pm. Contact club leader Carrie Douthit, 410-928-5860, for more info.

**Junior Dairy Associates 4-H Club** – In March, members and families went bowling at Chestertown Lanes. In April, members learned about Mastitis, the most common disease of lactating dairy cows. Kathy Myers showed the California Mastitis test and a new hand-held mastitis detector. 5 club members participated in the State Dairy Bowl contest in College Park. (See “Congratulations” club newsletter.) The club meets the 3rd Friday of each month, 7:00 pm at Kennedyville United Methodist Church and welcomes any youth interested in the dairy industry! In May, the club will meet at the Hill farm and do their club booth and trash can for Fair.

**Junior 4-H Rifle Club** – Members have been practicing air rifles at the Ag Center through the winter. Members will be moving outdoors to Alexander Sporting Farm by summer and practice Friday evenings. All interested youth interested in learning rifle marksmanship, age 8 and above are welcome! Contact leader John Curlett for more info at 410-778-0924.

**Kent Clover Calf 4-H Club** – The Kent Clover Calf 4-H club. On January 27, 2015 a meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm. Anna Bitter lead us in the pledges. Aubrey came forward and announced the monthly birthdays. Lexi called roll. Lexi read the minutes from the last meeting. Michael gave us the treasurer’s report. RJ Baldwin, Dustin Phillips, and Michael Nickerson gave us project updates. And finally we ended the meeting by playing a game dealing with team work. On April 8, 2015 a meeting was called to order at 7:38 pm. Anna Bitter led us in the pledges. Brianna came forward and announced the monthly birthdays. Kendall called roll. Kendall read the minutes from the last meeting. Sara read a note from Ms. Beth thanking people for donating the fried chicken for our achievement banquet. Michael gave us the treasurer’s report. Michael talked about the Ag Auction. Mrs. Carrie talked about the Regional Public Speaking Contest. – by Sara Bitter, Club Reporter KCC meets the 2nd Wednesday, 7:00
Kent County 4-H Puppy Pals Dog Club – Members are practicing Showmanship, Obedience, Obstacle Course and Rally in preparation for the Eastern Shore Spring Show and upcoming fairs. Members have been doing green and white challenges at club meetings. At the April business meeting, a pizza party was held as a reward for all the challenges. Weekly practices are held 1st, 3rd and 4th Wednesdays at Radcliffe Creek School. Business meeting is held the 2nd Monday at Running W Kennel. Contact Bert Lindauer for more information – 410-778-2887. With good weather, practices will move to Running W Kennel.

Shore Shots 4-H Archery Club – Members have been practicing at Cypress Creek Archery. If anyone is interested in joining Shore Shots, please contact a club leader so safety training can be organized. Contact club leader Teresa Quinn, taquinn65@gmail.com, if you have any questions. The club meets monthly 1st and 3rd Sundays at 2:00 pm at Cypress Creek Archery.

All club REPORTERS! Articles, pictures, news, and announcements concerning your club will be printed in the 4-H Times but only if you submit them! You can e-mail, fax, or mail reports to the Extension Office. E-mail articles to Beth at emshill@umd.edu. It will appear here in the next newsletter.

4-H Project Updates and Reminders

What should you be doing now?????

- Completing projects to enter in the fair! Look for a 4-H project day or workshop coming up. Look through the 2014 and then the 2015 Fair Premium Guide, and pick projects to work on. Don’t wait until the last minute!
- Making sure public speaking is part of fair, a club meeting, etc. to fulfill the public speaking requirement. There will also be a 4-H Demonstration and Visual Presentation Day on Friday September 25th, 6:00 pm at the Extension Office.

Requirements for 4-H Project Completion: To complete a Kent 4-H Project Record you must DESC:

1. D - Do the project
2. E - Exhibit the project – at a fair, show, school, gallery, bank, etc.
3. S - Speak about your project
4. C - Complete the project record

How to do a 4-H Record Book – A workshop will be held in September 2015 for all new 4-H’ers who want to complete a RB. Look for the date, time and location later in the summer.

Questions?? Consult the RB Guidelines for the type of book you are completing or contact the 4-H Office.

ACTIVITIES! EVENTS!! WORKSHOPS!!!

Want to teach a class or have a project idea? Contact the 4-H Office and we will try to make it happen!

4-H Fair Project Workshop I: Jewelry, 4-H Poster Art & Recycled Craft

Wednesday June 3, 6:30 - 8:30 pm, Extension Office

Learn to make earrings, design and create a 4-H promotional poster or design and make a recycled craft; or do all 3! 4-H volunteer and artist Kathy Myers will teach about design and basic art principals. Participants will decide which project(s) to do. Kathy will help teach jewelry making while poster participants and recycled craft participants work independently. Materials for all 3 projects will be supplied including many, many recycled items. (Specific needs in recycled craft/sculpture will have to be supplied by participant.) You must register by Monday June 1st to participate. Please indicate which project or projects you plan to do. (This workshop is occurring at the same time as the new 4-H Family Fair Orientation so sign your 4-H’ers up for the workshop and bring them along!)
**4-H Fair Project Workshop II:**
*String Art, Tie Dye Shirt/Article, Silk Bud Vase Arrangement*

**Saturday June 6, 9:00 - 12:00 pm, Extension Office**

Sign up for this workshop and do all 3 projects! Make a string art plaque (similar to picture at right), tie dye a white t-shirt or white cloth article you provide – we provide the tie-dye materials and make a silk bud vase. Silk flowers and bud vases will be provided but if you have a special vase you want to use, bring it along! To accommodate paint drying times etc., you must attend for entire workshop to complete your projects.

**Nature Collections Workshop: Make a Leaf Collection**

**Saturday June 6, 2:00 - 4:00 pm, Location being determined**

Join professional landscape designer and 4-H volunteer Cindy Todd for a walk on the wild side as participants collect, identify and mount 10 or more tree and shrub specimens to enter in the Environmental Science Forestry Division at the fair. Participants may choose to do a twig and/or bark collection as well. All materials will be supplied but youth must register by Monday June 1st.

**Beginner Welding Workshop – Coming Soon!**

Date, Time and Location to be Determined

New 4-H Alumnus Drew Debnam will be teaching basic welding for beginners. If you are interested in learning how to weld and want more information when the details are worked out, please contact the office to be on the Interest List. Welding supplies will be provided.

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**4-H Service in the Community**

*Service Above Self*

1. **Kent County Public Schools Service Learning Verification Forms** – Many of you are accumulating service learning hours toward your 75 hour graduation requirement. Great! 4-H can help you in that process. When you participate in many 4-H service projects, you will receive the “KCPS Service Learning Verification Form” with the information on the project already completed. You will need to complete the remainder and turn it in to your school’s service learning coordinator. Additional forms are available in the 4-H office and are posted on the Kent 4-H website at [http://extension.umd.edu/kent-county](http://extension.umd.edu/kent-county). If you need my signature for a 4-H project, please contact me. Your 4-H club leader can also sign-off for club service projects. Call the 4-H office for more information or contact your school coordinator.

2. **4-H Service Learning Award Log** – Kent 4-H recognizes all Kent 4-H’ers who achieve any service learning hours. They receive a certificate stating their accumulated hours and an award. To receive the award, you must complete the MD 4-H Youth Development Service-Learning and Citizenship Record. Complete the form with 2015 4-H and Non-4-H service activities and hours and submit to the 4-H Office by **February 1, 2016** for recognition at the 4-H Achievement Banquet.

**Kent 4-H Adopt-A-Highway Project - 2015 our 12th Year!**

Adopt-a-Highway is a rewarding way to help keep our environment clean, earn service learning hours and have fun too! We completed the 1st 4-H Adopt-a-Highway pick-up on 4/25/15. Plan to join us for the any or all of the remaining pick-ups and spend some time outdoors! There are 3 more 2015 pick-ups scheduled:

- Saturday July 25th, 9:00 am
- Saturday August 22, 9:00 am
- Saturday October 10th, 9:00 am (part of National 4-H Week)

4-H Adopted Highway – 1 mile section of Rt. 213 north of Urieville Lake. Accumulation totals are:

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**4-H 15th Annual Toy Drive Complete!**

4-H Nano Discovery Day on May 9th, 10 am – 3 pm, at the Delmarva Discovery Center and Museum in Pocomoke. 4-H STEM has been working on an exhibit with hands-on activities for all ages educating people on nanoscience and nanotechnology. As the flyer says... Nano is everywhere! It is interesting and timely to learn more about the nanoscale world. Check out the following quote from the National Science Foundation:

“Estimates made at the National Science Foundation indicate that in the next five years two million workers will be needed to support nanotechnology industries Worldwide and the market of products incorporating nanotechnology will reach one trillion dollars.”

The exhibit will be at the Delmarva Discovery Center and Museum for a month or so but it is being showcased on May 9th where entrance will be FREE to 4-H members and volunteers WHO HAVE REGISTERED ON 4H ONLINE BY MAY 8TH as well as FREE to Discovery Center members. There is a discounted entry for the day but this gives a little incentive for 4-H Club members to register on-line.

If you would like a little more knowledge of nanoscience and nanotechnology and why we be offering it to youth, here is a short video that will give you an overview of nanoscience and nanotechnology. Remember the video is geared to youth. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TtNZtUZCsTs](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TtNZtUZCsTs)

Nano is everywhere! The above quote is important but even as consumers we need to make decisions concerning the impact nanotechnology can have on us and our environment, positive or negative.

Lisa B Murphy, 4-H STEM Faculty Extension Assistant, Worcester County, 410-632-1972 x-210, lmurphy5@umd.edu

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**MD 4-H International Programs**

Webpage - [http://extension.umd.edu/4-h/4-h-program-areas/maryland-4-h-international-programs](http://extension.umd.edu/4-h/4-h-program-areas/maryland-4-h-international-programs)

Host a Japanese Student this summer! A group from Japan will be coming to Maryland this summer. Host families will be needed. The Hill Family hosted Kyosei Umoto this past summer and really enjoyed the experience. The above website has information on outbound Travel opportunities, Hosting opportunities and resources for International Exchanges. Check it out! Also check out State’s 4-H International Exchange Program website - [http://www.states4hexchange.org/](http://www.states4hexchange.org/), the organization Maryland works with for international exchanges.

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**4-H PROMOTION**

**`14/15 4-H Ambassadors:** Audrey Betley, Kendall Langenfelder, Anna Phillips, Maya Betley, Lexi Langenfelder, Jason Douthit, Kylee Naumann

- **4-H Poster Art** – Yes, this is a fair class! Design a promotional poster for your club, a project area, a 4-H event or a recruitment poster. Check out page 25 of last year’s fair guide (until the 2015 one comes out the middle of May!) Check out the workshop on Wednesday June 3rd.

- **Club Promotional Activities** – clubs should plan to do at least one promotional item – booth, banner, trash can or parade entry. All clubs are asked to participate in the fair opening ceremonies with a 4-H member introducing your club.

- **Record Books** – 4-H Promotion is a section in the Summary Record and Mini Project Record – don’t forget to record all promotional activities so they can be included in your record book. Promotion includes club booths, banners and trash cans at the Fair, parade of clubs, radio or television appearances, 4-H posters, invitations to join
4-H, wearing 4-H gear at school and other events, booth at events like Tea Party, family Fall Fest etc.

**4-H Promotion on the Radio** – Would you like to promote 4-H on the radio? 4-H is looking for youth, adults, parents and volunteers interested in talking about 4-H on the radio. Extension is part of the noontime “Today on the Shore” segment every Thursday at 12:15 p.m. on WCTR, airing at 102.3 FM and 1530 AM. This is a 15+ minute “chat” with host Keith Thompson. If you would be interested, please contact Beth for scheduled 4-H dates. This is a great public speaking opportunity! **Next dates will be in June, 12:10 pm. at the WCTR studios, Flatland Road, Chestertown.**

### 4-H Awards and Recognition

**Awards and Recognition Committee** – Yes, Kent 4-H has a committee that helps guide 4-H awards, makes suggestions on prizes, helps with record book awards and much more. The committee meets 2 times per year – April and November. The next meeting is November 5, 2015.

**4-H Diamond Clover Award Level 1-5 Applications are due July 1st** – (Level 6 applications are due to the State 4-H Office September 15th and to the Kent Office by September 5th)

- The Diamond Clover 4-H Award Program consists of 6 Levels that require a 4-Her to plan and accomplish a broad range of age-appropriate tasks, acquiring valuable life skills as they progress. The DC is designed to enable every 4-H member willing to exert the effort to be successful and is considered optional for those who want to participate.

- How does a 4-H’er earn the award? 4-H’er must download the DC Plan/Report form from the Maryland 4-H web page or request a form from their leader or 4-H Office. Next, choose the age-appropriate activities they will accomplish from the suggested list. Parents and Leaders then review and approve of the plan by the 4-H parent or guardian. Levels 1 to 4 should be considered as an agreement between the 4-H member and club or group leader. Local leaders know their 4-H members well and are in the best position to challenge those members who need motivation and to guide those members who need help in developing an achievable plan. Level 5 requires the approval of the local 4-H Educator. Level 6 is more involved and requires the 4-H member to work with a locally appointed Diamond Clover Committee that includes the club or group leader and the 4-H educator and approval by the State 4-H Program Leader or designate. When the 4-Her has completed their plan he/she submits a brief report documenting the work.

- Forms are available in the 4-H Office, by mail, email or on the Maryland 4-H website.

**Kent 4-H and Social Media**

**Facebook** – Kent County 4-H is on Facebook! 4-H posts updates regularly so Friend us and stay in the know! Look for us at “Kent County (Maryland) 4-H”

### 4-H 2016 Haiku Poetry Challenge!

The 2015 contest concluded Feb 1st, 2015. Congratulations to Jennifer Quinn on her winning Haiku:

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I am for 4-H
Bleeding green, a better club,
Pledge; better to best!
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The 2016 contest is underway! Get your entry in anytime between now and February 1st, 2016. 2016 Rule: The poem must be 4-H related and contain the H – “Health”. The 2015 winning Haikus are included below. The Haiku form is available on the Kent 4-H website. This will also be a Fair Green and White Challenge. (If anyone would like to head this challenge, contact the 4-H Office.) Submit entries to office in person, fax or email to emshill@umd.edu . A prize of $25 for the 4-H Mall will be awarded to the overall winner. All participants will also receive an award at the 4-H Achievement Banquet. Prize categories include: Most Creative, Funniest, Best Represents Theme, Most Feeling, Best 4-H Promotion, Cleverest, etc. and of course, the Overall Winner.
Best 4-H Promotion
New volunteer skills, Community, family, Projects in 4-H.
By Laurie Quinn, Senior

Most Creative
We bleed green and white
A community of friends
Proud until the end
By Casey Roberts, Senior

Best Animal Related
Cows are the greatest animal
Moo, moo, moo, moo, moo
Join 4-H today
By Dylan Hill, Intermediate

Best Represents Theme
Better character,
4-H learning, speaking, skills,
Head, Heart, Hands and Health
By Jennifer Quinn, Senior

Funniest
Archery is fun
Move! You can get shot, safety!
You will master it
By Stephen Quinn, Senior

Cutest
Bugs, cows and bunnies
At the Maryland State Fair
Pigs, sheep and dogs too.
By Paul Myers, Senior

Most Feeling
Don’t just aim and shoot
Shooting teaches many skills
To use in your life
By Kayla Thompson, Senior

Best Agriculturally Related
Maryland 4-H
Great Agricultural skills
Entomology
By Paul Myers, Senior

Other
Freedom and Loyalty
Okay, better, finally
Best, challenge your skills
By Jennifer Quinn, Senior

Information from the Maryland 4-H Foundation and National 4-H Council
http://www.mymaryland4hfoundation.com/ - www.fourhcouncil.edu
See MD 4-H Foundation Scholarship (due June 1st) info in the Just for Teens section of the newsletter!

34th Annual Maryland 4-H Golf Tournament in Honor of Marlin K. Hoff - Come out and support
Maryland 4-H at our annual golf tournament on Monday, May 18th at the Montgomery
Country Club Golf Course. The cost is $125 per person and includes entry into all events,
18 holes of golf, riding cart, lunch, dinner, and a chance to win various prizes.
Don’t golf? You can still join your friends for $30 and includes admission and dinner.
Registration begins at 11am and tee off is at 1pm. Mail registrations to the Maryland 4-H
Foundation, 8020 Greenmead Dr., College Park, MD 20740. For more information, contact
Amanda Clougherty at 301-314-7835 or akbrown@umd.edu.

Maryland 4-H Day at Camden Yards - Come watch the Baltimore Orioles take on the Cleveland Indians
on Sunday, June 28th while also supporting Maryland 4-H! Five dollars of every ticket sold
will benefit Maryland 4-H. This night is also an Orioles Cap Giveaway night - the 1st 20,000
fans 15 and over will receive a free Orioles cap! Purchase tickets now at
www.orioles.com/tix/maryland4h. Questions? Contact Amanda Clougherty at 301-314-7835 or
akbrown@umd.edu.

The Kent Endowment - Funds continue to be deposited in the account from donations and any interest earned will be
reinvested ($1290.25 in 2014!) to keep our endowment growing and help ensure Kent 4-H’s future financial
health. Questions? Contact Beth Hill emshill@umd.edu or Amanda Clougherty at the MD 4-H Foundation,
301-314-7835 or by e-mail: akbrown@umd.edu. Kent contributions to date: $16,124.28 Market value of
account (as of December 2014): $35,608.09!

VOLUNTEER & PARENT CORNER

Online UME 4-H Volunteer Training Available Monthly
All potential volunteers interested in the online training option, you must have completed all UME Volunteer
paperwork, been interviewed, completed a position description, and have complete reference checks on file before
attending the training. The Kent 4-H Office will then register you for the class that works for you. Volunteers should contact Theresa Rich, trich@umd.edu, a minimum of 3 weeks prior to the class date. All classes will be held from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

2015 Dates: 5/12, 6/11, 7/13, 8/11, 9/9, 10/15, 11/9, and 12/8

Kent UME 4-H Volunteer Training – Face to Face (F2F)
The next 4-H training at the office will be Monday May 18th, 2015, 6:00 – 9:00 pm at the Ext. Office
If you are a 4-H parent or are currently helping with 4-H, you are strongly encouraged to attend UME Volunteer training. Completion of the training provides legal protection in your volunteer duties through the MD Tort Claims Act. All volunteers working directly with youth, club and project leaders and chaperones MUST complete the training. All materials are provided. Please sign-up by 5/15/15.

MD 4-H Volunteer Association – The state volunteer association has reorganized. They held a retreat in Annapolis in January. Look for great things from the association in 2015!

4-H Leaders Council Notes: March Meeting Highlights:
❖ Played more games from Jim Cain’s “Teamwork and Team Play” cards. Lots of fun activities are available in the office for clubs to use.
❖ Several suggestions for achievement were discussed. Fuzzy Tails & Shore Shots will take over decorations in 2016
❖ Discussed the re-enrollment process and club financial paperwork.
❖ The next Leader’s Council Meeting is Tuesday, May 26, 2015, 7:00 p.m., at the Extension Office. Agenda will include fair, summer events, green & white challenges and more!!

Kent County All Stars are Getting Active! All Stars is an organization of 4-H alumni with the purpose to support 4-H. Former Kent 4-H’er and All Star Bill Thompson is reorganizing the group to be more active. For more information on the MD or Kent All Stars or to see the copies of the All Star newsletter “The Maryland Trail,” contact the Extension Office. For more info on All Stars, contact Bill Thompson at 410-778-2706.

ALL STARS Pulled Pork Sandwich Sale
Saturday, June 6th, 2015
11am – until
In front of Kingstown Farm, Home and Garden
Menu: Pulled Pork Sandwich, Chips (Snack Size, Herr’s), Sodas, Water (Pepsi)
Proceeds to benefit the Kent All Stars

Want to Volunteer for Kent 4-H? Here are some great volunteer opportunities:
❖ Club Leader or 4-H Club volunteer
❖ Workshop Leader – share your talents with children in a one time or multi-session format
❖ Public Speaking and Demonstration Judge
❖ Kent County Fair Judge – art, photography, crafts, fashion, woodworking, baking, and so much more!
❖ Project Leader/Coach – Animal Science Knowledge Bowls and Judging events, and more
❖ Animal Science – anatomy, animal care, nutrition, vet science etc.
❖ Environmental Science – water quality, Chesapeake Bay, wildlife, air quality, forestry, natural resources, etc.
❖ Human Science – healthy living, nutrition, active lifestyles, leadership, citizenship, etc.
❖ Science, Engineering and Technology Volunteers – robotics, GPS/GIS, rocketry, aerospace, etc.
❖ Fundraising
❖ Developing or Helping with Family Events – bowling nights, 4-H Halloween Fright Night etc.
❖ Service Learning – 4-H Toy Drive, 4-H Have a Heart Food Drive Challenge, etc.

4-H Volunteers Needed!!!
Could you help here? Here are volunteer positions where 4-H needs your help! There are certainly volunteer needs not on this list and you can create volunteer positions also!

1. Workshop Leaders – Do you have a skill you are willing to share with you people? 4-H is looking for
volunteers willing to lead workshops and teach young people a skill, talent or something just for fun. Ideas include – cooking, baking, origami, crafts, woodworking, sewing, fishing, animal track plaster casting (we have a kit!), art (drawing, painting, sculpture, etc.), writing, communications, workplace skills, holiday decorations, food preservation, scrapbooking, making educational displays, gourds, jewelry making, or any skill you can share!

2. Kent County Fair 2015 – 4-H Department Chairs Needed: Indoor Chairs are responsible for taking in entries on the Tues and Wed. of Fair week, getting judges, organizing entries, recording results, placing ribbons and score sheets with awards, and presenting the awards for viewing during the fair. Chairs are encouraged to help with fair clean-ups, especially in your designated area. New ideas are always welcome.

**4-H Photography Co-Chair** – this is a desperately needed position!!! Please consider taking on this crucial volunteer role. Questions, contact Beth Hil at the Extension Office.

**4-H Cake Auction Co-Chair** – Join Sharon Redding in organizing and implementing the 4-H Cake Auction. Chair works with the Food Prep Chairs and the head of the kitchen and heads the Cake Auction Saturday night.

**Pre-4-H** – This chair takes in pre-4-H entries, arranges the displays and puts on ribbons. There is a judge.

**4-H Clothing Chair** – Thank you Teresa Quinn and JoAnn Kelley!

**Promotion Division Chair** – Thank you Bert Lindauer!

If you are interested in helping with any of these positions, please contact Beth at the 4-H Office, 410-778-1661.

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**FAIR AND SHOW NEWS**

2015 Board of Directors: John Plummer (Pres.), Ann Baldwin (VP & Commercial Exhibits Chair), Dawn Hofstetter (Sec.), Shannon Bitter (Treas.), Patrick Welch (Awards), Megan Fry (Volunteer Coordinator & Publicity), Casey Hur (Grounds), Holly Langenfelder (Food and Gate), Kevin Miller (Animal), Cindy Todd (Fair Indoor/Outdoor Division), Beverly Clark (Entertainment) and Laurie Quinn (4-H Youth Rep).

- The Board has completed filling all vacancies on the Board. Welcome new board members Shannon Bitter, Megan Fry, Dawn Hofstetter and Laurie Quinn.
- The Ag Center Annual Auction was held on Saturday March 21st. The auction brought in over $17,000 in donations and sales! All proceeds benefit 4-H youth and the Fair! Thank you to Auctioneer Mr. Billy Elborn!
- The Ag Center is the recipient of Monsanto Company’s America’s Farmers Growing Communities program. Thank you to Pat Langenfelder who was the 2015 Kent County winner and selected the Ag Center New Building Fund campaign as the recipient of the $2500 award. A photo session was held at the Ag Center Auction, March 21st at the Ag Ctr. Auction.
- Kiss the Pig Contest -

Next 2 Meetings: Thursday April 16th & May 21st, 2015; 7:00 p.m., Kennedyville United Methodist Church.
EASTERN SHORE SPRING SHOW (ESSS)
Saturday May 9, 2015 at the QA County 4-H Park
Dairy, beef, swine, sheep, goat, dog, rabbit and cavy exhibitors need to begin planning for this event. Make sure animals are registered in time if appropriate, tagged or tattooed as needed, leasing papers are completed by May 1st, veterinary appointments are made, CVI’s completed and animals are prepared for show. The show book should be available in March and entries will be due in April 2015. Any youth who would like to serve on the planning committee for your species, please contact the Extension Office. It’s a great regional leadership experience.

Kent County Fair
July 16-18, 2015 THEME: “4-H: Fun For the Whole Herd!”
Since 1982, celebrating 33 years of the Fair at the Kent Ag Center! See YOU there!
Fair Website: http://www.kentcountyfair.org/
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/353480669766/#!/KentCountyFair

★ Fair Suggestions – If you have any suggestions to help improve the Kent County Fair, we want to hear it! If it is 4-H related, contact Beth Hill at emshill@umd.edu if it is a general fair issue, contact the Kent County Ag Center Board in writing at PO Box 386, Chestertown, MD 21620.
★ Note: unless a volunteer is willing to take on the chair position, there will not be a separate meat goat show at the fair. Pet whethers and market goats will be shown through the dairy goat show and livestock show.
★ NEW!! The LARGE Tractor contest is back! Thank you to volunteers Josh Phillips and Raney Debnam who will be chairing this event. Look at the fair premium guide for day and contest details.

Starting to Prepare for the 2015 Fair – What should I be doing???
★ Decide what projects you want to do at the fair and make sure you sign up for them during re-enrollment; however, you have until June 1, 2015 to sign up for new projects and still be eligible to show it at the fair.
★ Do your record book! Especially if you plan to sell a project in the Fair 4-H auctions. See the RB requirements.
★ Make sure cattle have the required US shield tag ID’s.
★ Check out the 2015 MD Animal Health Fair and Show Requirements on the MDA website - http://mda.maryland.gov/AnimalHealth/Pages/Fairs-Shows.aspx Hard copies are available in the Extension Office.
★ Become familiar with the MD 4-H Animal Science Online Resource Handbook – your source for all 4-H animal science policy’s and guidelines. Found on the MD 4-H website at http://extension.umd.edu/4-h/4-h-program-areas/animal-science-resources
★ MD 4-H Animal Science Webinars – plan to log on and participate. Links to past webinars from 2013/2014 are available on the 4-H website under Programs, Animal Science
  o Tuesday January 27, 2015, Topic: Animal Science 2015 Program Update
  o Tuesday February 24, 2015, Topic” Animal Science Events for Members
★ See preparations for ESSS above.
★ Plan to attend the New Family Fair Orientation on Wednesday June 3rd, 6:30 pm, Extension Office

The MARYLAND STATE FAIR
AUGUST 28 – SEPTEMBER 7, 2015

134th Maryland State @ State Fairgrounds in Timonium

New leadership took over for the State Fair the end of 2014. Andy Cashman is now in charge. There have been new hiring’s and many shifts in positions. Any that affect our Kent 4-H program will be reported. New for 2015:
✓ Rabbit exhibitors will now be able to bring 5-6 animals
✓ The state fair class book will be posted sometime in January.
✓ The market hog release time has been changed. Please check the schedule when it is released.
✓ Good News! Additional fans for the Cow Palace Show Ring have been approved.
Check out the first edition of the 2015 MD State Fair 4-H Newsletter to stay up to date on State Fair news! https://extension.umd.edu/news/maryland-state-fair-newsletters

April’s edition is found at https://extension.umd.edu/sites/default/files/_docs/programs/4-H/Foundation/newsletter2.pdf

- **MD State Fair Youth Worker Application Now Available** - The Maryland State Fair is looking for youth workers over the age of 14 to help out in Animal World, the Home Arts Building, and the Poultry and Rabbit Building during the 11 days of the fair. If you are enthusiastic about 4-H and able to interact positively with youth, UME and MDSF staff, volunteers, and the public, we want you to apply! You must be currently enrolled in the MD 4-H Program and willing to work a minimum of eight 4-hour shifts during the fair. Applications are due by July 15th and can be mailed in or filled out online. Have questions about working at the State Fair? Contact Amanda Clougherty at 301-314-7835 or akbrown@umd.edu

   **Cecil County Breeder’s Fair** will take place on May 30 and May 31, 2015 at the Cecil County Fairgrounds in Fair Hill, MD (4640 Telegraph Rd, Elkton, MD 21921) Entries were due to the Kent Office by May 1st.

**OTHER LOCAL FAIRS AND SHOWS**

- **Talbot County Fair** – July 8-11, 2015
  - Talbot County Ag Center: http://www.talbotcountyfair.org/
- **Cecil County Fair** – July 24-Aug. 1, 2015
  - Fair Hill, Elkton: http://www.cecilcountyfair.org/
- **Caroline/Dorchester Co. Fair** - Aug. 5-8, 2015
  - Caroline Co. 4-H Park: www.caroline-dorchestercountyfair.org/
- **Queen Anne’s County Fair** – August 10-15, 2015
  - Queen Anne’s 4-H Park, C-ville: http://www.queenannescofair.com/
- **Harford County Farm Fair** – July 30 – Aug 2, 2015
  - Bel Air: http://www.farmfair.org/

**4-H Animal Science News**

**4-H Kent Beef and Dairy Steers** – Ownership deadline was January 1, 2015. Animals were weighed and tagged January 3rd. Dairy steers must have been born after Dec. 1, 2013 and beef steers after January 1, 2014. 2015 Feeder Steers – dairy feeders must have been born after December 1, 2014 and beef feeder calves after January 1, 2015. Both feeder steer divisions will be weighed and tagged in May 4th, 2015. Here are the state and county ownership deadlines. If the county deadline is different from the state deadline, the county deadline supersedes.

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**Swine: Breeding Animals**  |  July 1  |  July 1  
**Swine: Market Hogs**  |  June 1  |  May 1*  

*Indicates ownership date different from the State 4-H Ownership date.

**Dairy Cattle**

**4-H Dairy Judging** – practices has begun. The Kent team is being coached by 4-H Alumnus Parker Welch and Andy Mason assisted by Cassidy Schirmer with junior members. Kent will be practicing with the Cecil and Queen Anne’s teams. On farm practices are being scheduled including a possible state practice here on the Shore. Look for more info soon.

Jeff Semler has taken over the state 4-H dairy judging program following the departure of Kiera Finucane. The state contest will be Saturday September 5th during the Maryland State Fair.

All Youth interested in participating, contact the Extension Office so you can be notified of practices.

**Goats and Sheep**

Scrapie tags can be ordered at 1-866-873-2824. MDA provided this contact.

**Wild & Woolly** is a newsletter for sheep and goat producers and anyone interested in small ruminants. It is published quarterly by University of Maryland Extension and the Western Maryland Research & Education Center. In between issues of the newsletter, be sure to visit the Shepherd’s Notebook blog at [http://mdsheepgoat.blogspot.com](http://mdsheepgoat.blogspot.com) or visit the UME Small Ruminant Facebook page at [https://www.facebook.com/MDSmallRuminant](https://www.facebook.com/MDSmallRuminant).

**Livestock Tails – Beef, Sheep, and Swine**

New Record Keeping App for I-Phones Now Available – through a $50,000 grant from Tractor Supply, 4-H now has its own electronic livestock record keeping tool. 4-H educators had a chance to demo this at the December Animal Science In-service and it looks great! You can enter each of your animals (with pics if you want) and then individually keep track of vet records, feeding, weigh-in weights, etc. etc. You can also use it for breeding stock with sires, breeding dates etc. Unfortunately, right now it is only available for Apple products. Reports can be printed out as Excel spreadsheets. One note, the information is NOT being backed up to the cloud, so if your devise fails, you may lose your information. Make sure you back it up regularly. If you use this tool, let me know how you like it!

Need an easier way to keep track of your 4-H animals' records? You know there's an app for that! Download the 4-H Livestock Record app, available in the App Store now: [http://bit.ly/1oCuaCk](http://bit.ly/1oCuaCk)

**The Horse Connection**

[www.equinestudies.umd.edu](http://www.equinestudies.umd.edu)

MD 4-H Horse and Pony Rule Book Available at the MD 4-H Horse Program website - [www.4hhorse.umd.edu](http://www.4hhorse.umd.edu). Maryland Horse Web Site: [www.mdhorse.org](http://www.mdhorse.org).

**State Horse Judging** – will be held Saturday May 30th on the University of Maryland Campus.

**State 4-H Horse Advisory meetings** – are held several times per year for 4-H equine volunteers, educators, etc. and designed to help guide the MD 4-H horse program. The next 2015 meetings will be held Sunday November 15th at the Maryland 4-H Center. All volunteers and those interested in the horse program are welcome to attend.

**State 4-H Dressage and Combined Test** – will be held Saturday October 4th at the Carroll County Ag Center.

**Maryland Horseman’s Party** – is scheduled for Sunday November 1st. This event is being revamped so look for more info in the coming months.
Facebook – the Maryland 4-H horse program has a FB page. It is a great way to get all the current 4-H horse information and keep track of events and deadlines. Check it out at University of Maryland 4-H Horse

Horse Jamboree – Montgomery County hosting the Friday – Sunday event possibly at the Claggett Center. Dates and location will be posted when they are available.

Small Animal Corner – Poultry, Rabbits, Cavies and Small Pets

4-H Avian Bowl – ChickFlic Practice Contest - Saturday, May. 23, 2015 (All day), College Park - Get a team together and plan to participate in the ChickFlic sponsored Avian Bowl Practice on May 23 in College Park! Dr. Brigid McCrea of Cooperative Extension, Delaware State University, secured sponsorship to conduct several states regional practice Avian Bowl competitions during 2015. The winning senior team at these competitions will receive $500 prize money. The generosity of the sponsor, ChickFlic, is greatly appreciated. The next ChickFlic practice event will be on May 23rd, 2015 in College Park, MD. Team registration will be at 9am and the contest will begin at 10 am. 4-H Avian Bowl is a knowledge contest with questions stemming from the 4-H Avian Bowl Manual. Teams may consist of 2-4 players and a buzzer system is used during gameplay. Based on the age of 4-H members they may be in a junior or senior team. Junior team ages are 8-13 and senior team member ages 14-18. If you have questions about the rules of play, please read the attached document, (Northeast States Avian Bowl Practice Contest Rules and Gameplay) or feel free to ask your questions of Dr. Brigid McCrea by calling 302-857-6432. Deadline to register is May 21. Need more info go to the MD 4-H animal sciences webpage - http://extension.umd.edu/4-h/4-h-program-areas/animal-sciences or contact Chris Anderson, canders2@umd.edu , 301-314-7187

2015 Rabbit & Poultry Judging and Avian Bowl Workshop Final Session - Saturday, May. 23, 2015 (All day), Harford County at The Rock 4-H Camp. For new and experienced 4-H members, parents, and coaches please find attached the registration flyer at the MD Animal Sciences webpage (see address above.) Registration and refreshments will begin at 9:00am, the program will begin at 9:30am, and we will adjourn at 12:30pm. Workshop Topics include: What to Expect at Judging and Bowl Events, What to Look at When Judging a Class, Resources to Help You Learn More. Registration deadline is May 18.

2015 MD State 4-H Avian Bowl Contest - will be held Saturday, June 20 at the Animal Science Building in College Park. Counties are encouraged to put together a team if you don’t already have one practicing. Rules and Registration information available from the 4-H Kent Office for the contest. We have been excited by the participation at the Winter Rabbit and Poultry Workshops where this contest was introduced and promoted. However, we must have sufficient teams to hold the event this year or the contest may not be offered in the future. Contest registration is at 9:30 am. Written test conducted at 10 am. Team matches to begin at 11am. The entry deadline is June 1, 2015. Contact Chris Anderson, canders2@umd.edu , 301-314-7187

4-H ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE


Camping Opportunities!

The Eastern Shore 4-H Camp Brochure is in this newsletter. The camp June 24 – 28, 2015 is for youth ages 8-13 years and will be held at the Thendera 4-H Center, Dorchester County. Kent 4-H will pay $150 of the $250 cost for any current Kent 4-H’er ages 8-13 who would like to attend. Please contact the office asap as final payments are due June 1st.

MD 4-H Shooting Sports

The MD 4-H Shooting Sports Program website: http://www.md4-hshootingsports.umd.edu/

Brett Baldwin made the MD State shooting sports team and will be going to the National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational in Grand Island Nebraska, June 21-26th, 2015 at the Heartland Public Shooting Park. MD sends both Archery and Shotgun teams to this event. To be a team member, 4-H’ers must be a senior (ages 14-18), compete at the state archery/shotgun match and make the top 10 or 12 seniors. Then, youth practice with the state team, have an interview and submit their senior portfolio.
Shooting Sports Eligibility - In order to be eligible for participation in a MD 4-H shooting sports competitive event, the 4-H member must have been enrolled in and completed a basic beginner course taught by a 4-H certified shooting sports instructor of the appropriate discipline. Youth must be actively participating in a local program and the 4-H instructor will determine if the youth is adequately prepared to safely participate in the scheduled 4-H state matches. **2015 enrollment/participation dates are:**

**Rifle:** State Match September 12 – On or before July 1,

**Archery:** State Match 1st or 2nd weekend in October - On or before August 1,

**Shotgun:** State Match October 24 - On or before September 1.

If you need help with your 4-H veggie or fruit projects? Check out UME’s Grow It Eat IT website at: [http://Growit.umd.edu](http://Growit.umd.edu)

If you are in need of assistance regarding gardening and horticultural matters, please feel free to contact Sabine Harvey at 410-778-1661 or email her at sharvey1@umd.edu. She will be happy to assist you. Sabine is the UME Kent County Extension Program Assistant, Horticulture

### MD 4-H Engineering Events

**MD 4-H Engineering Camp** – Laurie Quinn attended this year’s event and made solar shelves and much more. Look for the 2016 dates soon! Maryland 4-H Engineering Camp for Intermediate and Senior age 4-H’ers and is held annually at the Rocks 4-H Camp, Harford County. Kent 4-H will be offering scholarships to Kent 4-H’ers interested in attending.

**4-H Human Sciences**

Healthy Lifestyles, Food and Nutrition, Fashion, Communications, and More!

**Adolescent Substance Abuse Coalition (ASAC) News**  
www.kentasac.org, email info@kentasac.org

Kent County 4-H is a member and Beth Hill is a member of the ASAC Board.

- The next community meeting is Monday May 16th at 5:30 pm at the Public Works Complex
- Co-chairs are Latosha Brooks (the Prevention Coordinator, Kent Behavioral Health) and Nicole Benner (Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Greater Chesapeake)

Greetings to Coalition Members and Prospective Members - ASAC will be hosting a meeting and informational dinner to acknowledge all of ASAC's partnerships along with the many different liquor establishments within the community. This event will take place on Wednesday May 20th at 5:30pm at 9155 American Legion Rd (off of Rt. 291). We ask that everyone RSVP by May 15th, dinner will be served along with a potential speaker for the evening. Please come out and support the coalition as we work hard to bring the community together on our fight to end underage drinking and acknowledge those partners who continue to work effortlessly in helping us to achieve our goal. If you have any further questions or concerns please feel free to contact me. Hope to see you there. Please RSVP by MAY 15th!

- ASAC is helping sponsor and promote the Post Prom Event. “Give 20” is sponsoring ASAC’s Post prom. The Granery will donate 20% of the bill if an ASAC ticket is presented with check on Wednesday, May 6 between 5-8pm.Tickets can be picked up at four locations…The Kent County Community Center, A.F. Whitsitt (300 Scheeler Rd.), Public Works Building (including the 4-H Office) or from Co-chair Nicole Benner. **If you plan on picking up any tickets with Nicole please contact her prior to coming at 443-783-8166 or by email at nbenner@biglittle.org** The tickets are FREE, so hand out as many as you want.

- ASAC is a coalition of community members, volunteers, agencies, law enforcement, schools, private business and youth serving organizations. For more
information on how you can become involved locally with substance abuse issues, please visit www.kentasac.org or on Face Book at https://www.facebook.com/groups/353480669766/#!/KentASAC

Just For Teens

GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS, INTERNSHIPS AND COLLEGE INFORMATION

2015 Maryland 4-H Foundation Scholarship Application Now Available!

MD 4-H Foundation Scholarship applications are due June 1st! 42 scholarships worth a minimum of $1,000 each will be awarded. Youth attending any post-secondary schooling are eligible (community college, trade school, AA, even graduate school if you haven’t won a 4-H scholarship before, etc.) not just 4-year institutions. Application is found: www.mymaryland4hfoundation.com

Fill out your scholarship application online or print one out and mail it to:
The Maryland 4-H Foundation, 8020 Greenmead Dr., College Park, MD 20740.
All scholarship applications must be completed and postmarked no later than June 1, 2015 to be eligible. Please note that some changes have been made to this year’s application - be sure to follow the instructions given!
Questions? Contact Amanda Clougherty at 301-314-7835 or akbrown@umd.edu.

Donated Funds to Kent County 4-H – provide scholarships to:
❖ 4-H’ers for National 4-H Congress and other 4-H Out-of-State trips, Leaders Forum, Camps, etc.
❖ Volunteers for training (like shooting sports), Volunteer Forum, 4-H In-services and more!
❖ And also to purchase teaching tools and educational resources like bowl buzzers, learning labs, games, awards for 4-H’ers.

The Donation and Scholarship Funds are supported by the annual Chuck Clark Fishing Charter Auction, the 20% received by 4-H from the Annual Cake Auction, the New Fair Kiss the Pig Contest and generous donations. Anyone wishing to contribute, please contact the 4-H Office at 410-778-1661 or email Beth Hill at emshill@umd.edu. Support is greatly appreciated!

CHARACTER COUNTS!

Fairness ~ Trustworthiness ~ Respect ~ Citizenship ~ Responsibility ~ Caring

To learn more about CC! Visit www.CharacterCounts.org, Josephson Institute Center for Youth Ethics.
Kent County 4-H Club Meeting Information

Betterton, Fairlee, Galena, and Rock Hall – These Communities need a 4-H Club!
You can help by volunteering, start a 4-H club, reap the rewards of helping youth become the best they can be?

Bits and Bridles 4-H Horse Club – 3rd Saturday, Running W Kennel, Worton, 1:00 pm
   Leaders: Avra Sullivan, 443-480-3346 and Stephanie Turner, 410-708-0994
Clay Crushers 4-H Shotgun Club – 2nd & 4th Sunday Afternoons, Sudlersville Skeet Club & KC Gun Club,
   Leaders: Russ Parson, cell (443-480-0929) and Robert Baldwin (410-348-5727)
Fuzzy Tails and Shiny Scales 4-H Club – 4th Thursday, 6:30 pm. Presbyterian Church of Chestertown
   Leaders: Carrie and Jay Douthit (443-480-6964); Jessica Matthews (443-480-9308)
Junior Dairy Associates – 3rd Friday, Kennedyville United Methodist Church, 7:00 pm
   Leaders: Beth Hill (410-778-1661) and Cheryl Plummer (410-648-6828)
Junior Rifle Club – Winter/Spring - 1st and 3rd Sunday, 2:00 pm, Kent Ag Center Rifle Range, Summer – Fridays - Alexander Sporting Farm, Massey
   Leader: John Curlett (410-778-0924)
Kent Clover Calf – 2nd Wednesday, Kennedyville United Methodist Church, 7:00 pm
   Leaders: Jennifer Debnam (410-348-5905), Carrie Douthit (410-928-5860)
Puppy Pals 4-H Dog Club – Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, Running W Kennel, Winter – Radcliffe Creek School
   Business Meeting, 2nd Mondays at Running W. Leaders: Bert and Jim Lindauer, 410-778-2887
Shore Shots 4-H Archery Club – 1st and 3rd Sundays, Cypress Creek Archery, Millington
   Leader: Teresa Quinn (410-708-0217)
Udder Delights 4-H Club – 4th Monday, 6:30 pm, Chester River Friends Meeting House, Chestertown
   Leaders: Owen McCoy (410-639-7217) and Christine Betley, 410-739-0304
4-H Clover Bud Club (Youth Ages 5-7) – 4th Saturday, 10:30 am, Colchester Farm, Galena
   Adult Leader: Christine Betley, 410-739-0304; Youth Leaders: Brian, Maya and Seth Betley

http://www.extension.umd.edu/kent-county If you have a disability that requires special assistance for your participation in any 4-H meeting/program, please contact University of Maryland Extension, Kent County Office at 410-778-1661.

4-H on the Web
Kent County 4-H: http://www.extension.umd.edu/kent-county
Maryland 4-H - http://extension.umd.edu/4-h
National 4-H Council – www.fourhcouncil.edu and www.4-H.org

Thoughts for May and June:
"Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that."
   ~Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr

It is not what you do for your children, but what you have taught them to do for themselves, that will make them successful human beings. ~ Ann Landers

“The growth and development of people is the highest calling of leadership”
   ~Harvey S. Firestone

There is no greater calling than to serve your fellow men. There is no greater contribution than to help the weak.
   There is no greater satisfaction than to have done it well. ~ Walter Reuther

If you find what you do each day has no link to any higher purpose, you probably want to rethink what you are doing.
   ~ Ronald A. Heifetz

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**Cost per Camper:**

$250

This price includes meals, lodging, camp t-shirt, on-site and off-site activities.

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**Be a Camp Leader**

**Cost:** $100

Are you a leader? Do you want to have fun this summer? Do you want to make a difference in a child’s life? Do you like to share your knowledge of games, songs, crafts, and the outdoors?

**Must be 14 to 18 years of age by 1/1/15**

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**Be a Leader-In-Training**

**Cost:** $250

Step into a new role at camp and be mentored to transition into a Camp Leader position.

**Must be 13 years of age by 1/1/15**

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**About Thendara**

- ACA Accredited
- Activity Hall/ Main Dining Room/Kitchen
- Dormitory
- Pond/Trails/ Activity Field/ Shooting Range

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**Please contact:**

Amanda Chesser and Nicole Skorobatsch at the Somerset County Extension Office

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Eastern Shore 4-H Camp

June 24-28, 2015

Ages 8 to 13

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University of Maryland Extension programs are open to all citizens and will not discriminate against anyone because of race, age, sex, color, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, religion, ancestry, or national origin, marital status, genetic information, or political affiliation, or gender identity and expression.
Spend a day at Tuckahoe State Park! Escape to the forest and climb among the trees, scale the rock wall, and ride the zip line. Challenge yourself outside your comfort zone.

An opportunity for experiential learning, self-growth, and life skills 4-H Camp engages youth in activities offered in an enriching natural environment. Encouraged to embrace challenge and learn by doing, campers are inspired to stretch the limits of what they can do and accomplish.

LEADERSHIP
SKILL BUILDING
SHOOTING SPORTS
ARTS & CRAFTS
STEM ACTIVITIES
CANOEING

All 4-H and Tuckahoe State Park staff are trained and certified to work with youth.

To register please complete this section, detach it, and send with payment.

**Military: Y____N_____
**Camp: LIC____ Camp Leader_____
**Scholarship: Y____N____ County:________________
**Name:_________________________________________
**Birth Date:________/_______/_____
**Age: __________
**Gender: Male____ Female_____
**4-H Member: Yes___ No___ County:_____
**Parent/Guardian Name:_________________________________________

**Address:_________________________________________

**Phone: (Home)
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**(Work)
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**(Cell)
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**Email:_________________________________________

**Required
Please list the county that you are applying to for scholarship.

Costs & Deadlines:
Campers:$250  LIT: $250 Camp Leader: $100
Spots are available on a first come first serve basis. Receipt of a deposit or payment in full reserves your spot at camp.
Deposit of $100 due by: March 31
Final payment (Paid in Full) by: June 1
NO Refunds will be made after: June 1

**To inquire about a payment plan please call the Somerset Extension Office at 410-651-1350

Please make check payable to Somerset FAC. Please mail to: Somerset Extension Office 30730 Park Drive Princess Anne, MD 21853
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