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THE WICOMICO  
COUNTY 4-H  
PROGRAM

# The GREENroom NEWSLETTER

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4-H Motto  
To Make The Best Better

## Upcoming Event Reminders

February 20th  
4-H Day in Annapolis

February 25  
Winterfare &  
Operation Snowflake

March 16th  
County Public  
Speaking Contest

Date TBA  
Regional Public  
Speaking Contest

May 5  
Safe Kids Day

May 19  
4-H Horse Show



## Congratulations to our 2011 County Award Winners

The Annual Wicomico County Awards Program was held on November 4th. We would like to congratulate all of the awardees and thank everyone for attending such a wonderful occasion. The following 4-Hers were awarded the H and Spirit awards:

### Head

Junior - Robbie Waller, Coastal Country Club  
Inter. - Caroline Hornfeck, Coastal Country Club  
Senior - Logan Grant, Coastal Country Club

### Heart

Junior- Maranda Ucman, Powellville Millers Club  
Inter. - Zachary LaPearl, Melson Mustangs Club  
Senior - Molly Burns, Kindred Spirit Club

### Hands

Junior - McKensie Lewis, Melson Mustangs Club  
Inter. - Amy Wilber, Melson Mustangs Club  
Senior - Adam Phillips, Livestock Club

### Health

Junior - Taylor Aukward, Coastal Country & Katie Howard, Kindred Spirit Clubs  
Inter. - Patricia manning, Pittsville Wildcats Club  
Senior - Lauren Brown, Pittsville Wildcats Club

### Spirit

Junior - Danielle Konlain, Coastal Country Club  
Inter. - Wesley Myrer, Melson Mustangs Club  
Senior - Kyle Barga, Hebron Hummingbirds Club



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## 2012 Fair Season in Wicomico County



Historically the Wicomico County 4-H program has featured 4-H project work at the Wicomico Farm & Home Show. Beginning this year the Wicomico 4-H Program will not be participating in the Wicomico Farm & Home Show but will be hosting an independent 4-H Fair to be held on **Saturday, October 13th** at **Wright's Market** on Rt. 50 between Hebron and Mardela Springs.

The Wicomico County 4-H Fair will function much like it has in past years regarding entries. With this new opportunity the 4-H program looks forward to offering new and exciting activities for the whole family. In order for this first venture to be successful, we need your help. A 4-H Fair Committee will be established with roles and responsibilities similar to those of officials. If you would like to join this Fair committee, please contact Amy Rhodes at 410-749-6141 x108 or email arhodes1@umd.edu. We would like to welcome 4-Hers 13 and older, volunteers, parents, alumni, or any other 4-H supporters who would like to participate with this Fair committee. We welcome you also to invite other supporters to be part of this meeting.

Our first fair planning meeting will be held **Wednesday, March 7th** from 6–8pm. Please RSVP and let us know you will be coming. Future meetings will be held tentatively on the 3rd Monday of each month during April through October from 6-8 pm.

If you are interested in helping with any of the following areas, please let us know:

- 1) Overall Fair process for 2012
- 2) Premium Book
- 3) Awards and Premiums
- 4) Marketing
- 5) Fundraising
- 6) Food
- 7) Games

More topics may be added as needed.



There will be two Co-Chairs who will oversee the committee along with a secretary and treasurer.

### **2012 4-H Fair Timeline will be as follows:**

October 11th - 4-H Entry Drop Off  
 October 12th - 4-H Judging Day  
 October 13th - 4-H Fair (Entry Pick Up that Evening)  
 (Exact times will be shared as the planning process evolves.)



## Kindred Spirit Farm

By: Kelly Howard



In October we held our first meeting for the new year. Ashley Jones & Molly Burns will be Co-Presidents; Kayla Judd & Rachel Gershenfeld will be Co-Vice-Presidents; Rebecca McIntyre & Colleen Snitzer will be Co-Treasurers; and Taylor Mooney will be our Secretary. Mackenzie Johnson and new member, Hope Hare, will be our errand girls. Katie Howard will be our Newskeeper. All new members include: Abby Reilly, Lauren Smith & Alyssa Hastings who will be our Fair Project Coordinators. Chloe Birch & Lindsay Mooney will be our Community Service Coordinators. Katie Phillips & Ashley Wilkerson will be our phone callers. Meeta, Jenna Elrick, Kailey Moyers, Kelly Phillips & Cassidy Birch will all be in charge of our snacks and games. At the meeting we received our record books and worked on the cover page, information page, summary page, journal of activities, and life skills page. We took a group picture to add to our information page. We planned the next two months which included meeting at the Humane Society to donate goods in November and then returning to the farm to work on our projects, complete a craft for the fair, and have snack provided by Kailey Moyers. We had a snack

provided by Jenna Elrick and then we went outside to do a showmanship demonstration. We discussed the similarities and differences between showmanship classes with horses and goats/sheep. Two of our members, Molly Burns & Katie Howard went earlier in the day to get a pink hair strip attached to their support Breast Cancer Awareness Month and then Rebecca McIntyre, Chloe and Cassidy Birch, Katie & Kelly Phillips as well as Kelly Howard all dyed a strip of hair pink and donated money toward the cause.



Kindred Spirit Farm 4-H club went to the Wicomico Humane Society to donate goods as a community service project. They played with the cats and dogs and returned to the farm to work on their project books.



The Kindred Spirit Farm 4-H Club participated in the Salisbury Christmas Parade. Everyone had a great time and the weather was wonderful. We

had horse riders who wore the 4-H clover and there was a sign on the truck announcing our club.

The club held their Christmas exchange party. We had pizza and played our annual gift exchange game. Then we worked on a craft to submit in the fairs this summer. Everyone had a great time relaxing together. We are planning a road trip to the Horse Expo.

## Home Arts Club

This group is working on a knitting project.



## Livestock Club

By: Margaret Gaetano

Elections were held at our October meeting. The new officers are: President—Sarah Dorey; V. President—Kacie Ball; Secretary—Adam Phillips; Treasurer—Bradley Dorey; Reporter—Margaret Gaetano; Hotline Reporter—James Gaetano. The annual livestock dinner is scheduled for October 22 at the Princess Anne Fair Grounds. There will be a dinner and movie.

The November meeting we discussed the Christmas party for the livestock club which will be held on December 9th at the Dorey's Home. Our club will be collecting non-perishable items for a family in need. Our club will be paying for a hive of bees which Heffner International will send to people in a needy county. Kacie Ball has turnkeys for sale, they weigh 8-15 pounds. Our club will be making a scrapbook at the January meeting which we will enter in the fair next year. The club participated in the 4-H Awards program and our club had good attendance. The Ball family won Family of the Year.





Secretary's & Treasurer's reports were given by Amy Wilber & Zachary LaPearl. We discussed our new project books. County Holiday Workshop, 4-H Art Show, and our club's Christmas Party. Refreshments were provided by Sarah Dorey. For our activity we dipped and covered cake balls. Instead of our \$2 dues we brought in donations for the Men's Shelter.

Our January meeting was called to order by Wesley Myrer with 10 members and 2 leaders in attendance. Pledges were led by Brenna Parsons and McKensie Lewis. Secretary's & Treasurer's reports were given by Amy Wilber & Zachary LaPearl. Old business discussed was our club's Christmas party, donation to the men's shelter, point system, and project books. New business discussed was the 4-H Art Show, Maryland 4-H Awards Gala, Winterfare and club insurance. We made a winter snowman craft project. Refreshments were provided by Rachel Justice. We celebrated Zachary LaPearl's birthday which is January 31.

### Pittsville Wildcats

**By: Trish Manning & Lauren Brown**

The September meeting was held with 8 members, 2 leaders and 1 guest in attendance. We welcomed Maggie Richardson as a new member of our club. Instead of our regular meeting, we learned to make salsa which we used a hot water bath to preserve. Everyone loved the salsa! Thanks to Miss Barb Barga for leading the program and to Miss Rose for allowing us to use her kitchen. We had a great time.

The October meeting was held and 4 members and 2 leaders attended. The meeting was called to order by Aaron Calloway. We discussed the 4-H Awards Program and the Holiday

Workshop. Miss Rose led us in making caramel apples & we made chocolate candy shaped like Halloween decorations (including creepy mice!). Refreshments were provided by Aaron Calloway & Miss Susanne.

### **4-H Summer Adventure Counselor Training**



Interviews for Summer Adventure Counselors (ages 14 or older) will be held on January 31st at 6:30 pm at the Wicomico Extension Office. Contact Barbara Barga 410-749-6141 x105 to register.

The first counselor training will be held on February 16, 2012 at 6:30 pm at the Wicomico Extension Office on Nanticoke Road, Salisbury.

### **Wicomico County Public Speaking Contest**

The local Wicomico County Public Speaking contest will be held on March 16, 2012 at 6:30 pm and will be held at The Holly Center, Snow Hill Road, Salisbury. Call 410-749-6141 x101 to register.

Youth will have the opportunity to participate by entering in the Prepared, Extemporaneous, Dramatic Interpretation or Radio Spot categories as a Junior (8-10), Intermediate (10-13), or Senior (14-18).

If you are the County Winner in your category you will have the opportunity to attend the Regional Contest (date to be determined).

### **4-H Day in Annapolis Monday, February 20th**

Are you interested in learning more about MD State Government and your role as a citizen and constituent? Then this event is for you. Come spend this President's Day with other MD 4-Hers as we tour our State Capitol and meet MD legislators who will share information about how a bill becomes a law. Learn how various government officials describe their role and how we as citizens can become more involved in our own government.

### .Melson Mustangs

**By: Amy Wilber**

We had our October meeting which was attended by 9 members and 2 leaders. We welcomed Hunter Townsend & Rachel Justice as new member of our club. Meeting was called to order by Sarah Dorey. Pledges were led by Brenna Parsons & McKensie Lewis. Secretary's & Treasurer's Reports were given by Amy Wilber and Zachary LaPearl. We discussed the Diamond Clover applications, new clubs in Wicomico County, 4-H member fee, Assateague Night Watch, special donation for our December meeting. Games were led by Miss Melody. Refreshments were provided by Megan James. We nominated 2012 officers and voted that the club would pay our county dues.

The November meeting was called to order by Megan James with 9 members and 2 leaders in attendance. Pledges were led by McKensie Lewis & Wesley Myrer. Secretary's & Treasurer's reports were given by Amy Wilber and Zachary LaPearl. We discussed the annual county Awards Ceremony, Farmers & Planters Open House, our club's Christmas party, and 2011-2012 Project Books, and the Art Show. Refreshments were provided by McKensie Lewis. We had campaign speeches and voted on our new officers. We also celebrated Mr. Mark's and McKensie's birthdays.

Our December meeting was called to order by Wesley Myrer with 7 members, and 2 leaders in attendance. Pledges were led by McKensie Lewis & Zachary LaPearl.

# WINTERFARE 2012



Saturday, February 25  
9:00 to 3:35

\$15 Registration Due By  
Friday, February 17, 2012

Questions: call Amy Rhodes or  
Barbara Barga at 410-749-6141

4-H Winterfare is a great day of fun and learning. Many of the classes fill up quickly. **Register immediately** to get the classes you really want. Be sure to make a 2nd and 3rd choice in case your 1st choice is full.

A **\$15 registration is due by Friday February 17th** and covers all classes. Classes are tentative if changes occur you will be notified.

**Lunch will be available for \$3 which includes pizza, chips & drink.** Drinks & chips will also be available for sale. If you bring your own lunch, make sure it does not need refrigeration and it has your name on it.

*We are not responsible for ANY lost items, including items made that day, put your name on everything!*

### Location & Directions

Christ United Methodist Church  
211 Phillip Morris Dr.  
Salisbury, MD  
The church is located between Rt.50 and Old Ocean City Rd.

### Schedule

9:00 ..... Check In  
9:15 ..... Welcome  
9:30 -12:00 .... 1st Session  
12:00-1 ..... Lunch  
1:00-2:15 ..... 2nd Session  
2:15-3:30 ..... 3rd Session  
*See backside for classes*

**\$15 Registration Due By Friday, February 17, 2012**

**Sign Up for Classes on Back**

Make Checks payable to: Wicomico EAC, this registration is nonrefundable  
Mail to: Wicomico County Extension - PO Box 1836 - Salisbury, MD 21802-1836

Childs Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

# Winterfare Sessions and Classes



Make 3 choices for each session. Register early to get your 1<sup>st</sup> choice!

## First Session - 9:30 to 12:00

- 1A - **Electrifying Lamps!** - Wire your own themed lamp, decorate the lamp & shade to fit your style.
- 1B - **3,2,1 Blast Off!** - Come explore the solar system & learn about rockets and build your own rocket & launch it.
- 1C - **Let's Lego!** - Join the team as we design, create and build Lego creations. Explore Lego activities & the history of Legos.
- 1D - **Italy to Go** - Make & take home dinner & dessert for your family as you learn basic cooking techniques.
- 1E - **Bird House Construction** - Learn about building a chicken coop & a bird house by using tools to complete your project!
- 1F - **Felted Marino Wool Scarves** - Create a beautiful marino wool and silk scarf using a wet felting method taught by Upper Room Studios.

## Lunch - 12 noon to 1 pm

## Second Session - 1:00 to 2:15 pm

- 2A - **Goofy Goop** - Make silly goop and dryer lint clay. Take home a bag of fun.
- 2B - **Bodaciously Beaded Earrings** - Make your own glass and silver beaded earrings. "Bodaciously Beaded" by Donna.
- 2C - **Dream Catchers** - Experience Native American culture and make a dream catcher as you work with leather, beads, twine & feathers.
- 2D - **Mystery Trinket Box** - Decoupage a beautiful box to keep your special trinkets.
- 2E - **Print Making** - Learn how to print a modified version of a woodblock print - the old fashioned type of printing.
- 2F - **Natural Wreath** - Create a beautiful wreath using treasures from nature.

## Third Session- 2:15 to 3:30 pm

- 3A - **Buzz, Buzz, Buzz** - Learn the basic skills needed for beekeeping and make a bee feeder for your home.
- 3B - **Meet Some Live Reptiles** - Discuss reptile facts and fancies & make something interesting to take home.
- 3C - **Quilling** - Learn how to make beautiful paper art learning the historical technique of quilling.
- 3D- **Let's Tweet** - Learn about bird beak adaptations and make a bird feeder or two3
- 3E - **Make-Up** - Learn how to care for your skin, apply make-up and discover your inner beauty! Sponsored by Mary Kay, Rebecca Harcum
- 3F - **Glass Etching** - Make some unique pieces by learning the art of glass etching.

*Make sure to wear old clothes or bring a smock, with some sessions you may get messy. Remember paints, glues and other things may stain.*

## Operation Snowflake

For 4-H Clovers (ages 5-7) will also be offered from 9 am to 3:30 pm  
To register or for more info on this program contact Nicole at 410-651-1350.

Equal Opportunity Program

One form per child

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Make 3 choices for each session. Register early to get your 1<sup>st</sup> choice!

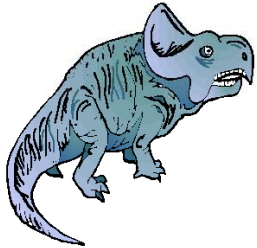
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2			
3			

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Presents

## Dinosaur Stomp

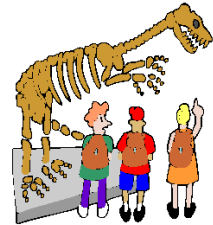


This program is designed for youth ages 5-7 held in conjunction with Winterfare

This year we will use our imagination to journey to the land of Dinosaurs!

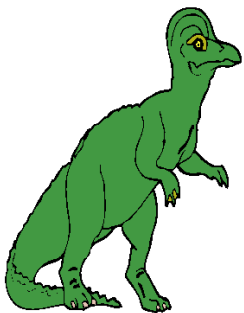
On our Dinosaur expedition we will:

- dig for fossils
- create our own dinosaurs
- go on a prehistoric hunt
- make dino-licious snacks
- watch a dino-rific movie
- make new friends
- crafts

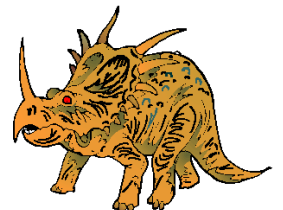


*It will be a Roaring good time!*

All activities will be "hands on" and messy, so please bring a smock or an old t-shirt. All supplies, materials, and snacks are included in the registration fee.



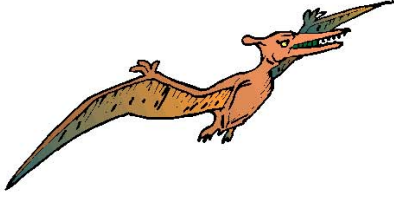
The Dinosaur Stomp will be held on Saturday, February 25th from 9:00-3:30pm at Christ United Methodist Church 211 Phillip Morris Drive, Salisbury, MD. There is \$20 non-refundable registration fee due by February 13th.



We only have room for 20 explorers on the expedition, register now before you become extinct!



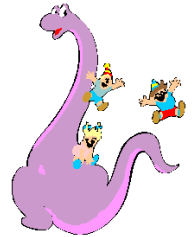
## IMPORTANT INFORMATION



- Due to the size of the classroom, this year we do not have the room to accommodate parents to stay.

- The class will be taught by Nicole Skorobatsch, Somerset County 4-H and Erin Johnson, an Elementary Education major at Salisbury University. Please contact Nicole at 410-651-1350 for questions or concerns.

- Confirmation letters will be sent along with an explorer badge a week prior to the event.
- Explorers will need to pack a lunch. We will eat in our room. Drinks, napkins, and utensils will be provided.
- On the day of event your can drop off your children at 9:00am. Family members may stay until 9:30. At 9:30 our expedition begins!
- We will show "A Land Before Time" during lunch.
- Be sure to identify any food allergies you child may have.
- Please send registration to the Somerset office. Operations Snowflake is in conjunction with Winterfare, but they are two separate programs.
- We will end our expedition at 3:30.



Please return

**\$20 Registration Fee (non refundable) due Monday, February 13th**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Food Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks payable to: **Somerset EAC**

Mail to: UME Somerset County 4-H

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## 4-H ART EXHIBIT

January 20– February 10, 2012

Opening Reception Friday, January 20 @ 5-7pm

Closing Reception Friday, February 10 @ 5-7pm

Held in Downtown Salisbury at the Art Institute & Gallery  
212 West Main Street - Salisbury, MD 21804

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