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NEWSLETTER

4-H Motto
To Make The Best Better

2009 Summer Event Reminders

Fair Dates

Somerset
July 20-27
Princess Anne
Civic Center

Worcester
Aug 7-9
Byrd Park in
Snow Hill

Wicomico
Aug 13-15
Equestrian Ctr
Salisbury

MD State Fair
Aug 21-31
State Fair Grounds
Timonium, MD

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H E A D H E A R T H A N D S H E A L T H

SPECIAL THANKS

*The 2009 4-H
Horse Show was
a success.*

Once again a
special thanks
goes out to
Myra & Wayne
Spencer, Gayle
Dunkleman and
everyone else

who helped with the 2009 4-H
Horse Show on May 9th in Salis-
bury. Thanks to the **Melson's
Mustangs** for operating the food
concession trailer at the Horse
Show. Congratulations to **Mary
Beth & Aaron Calloway** who sold
the most ads for the 4-H Horse
Show ad book. Congratulations
also to the **Pittsville Wildcats** 4-H
Club who sold the most ads per
club. They will receive a \$100
cash prize.



*The 2009 4-H Children's Farm
Tour* was also a big success this
year. Thanks to the following 4-H
folks who helped with the tour
which was held at Beechnut

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Dairy Farm in Mardela
Springs: **Hunter Adkins, Kara
Mills, Chelsea Hudson, Sara
Dorey, Andrew & David
Crowley.** Thanks also to **The
Hudson Family, Barga Family
Meagan Perdue & Perdue
Farms** for loaning animals
and especially to **The
Harcum Family** for hosting this
event. Thanks to the follow-
ing sponsors: **Wicomico
County Farm Bureau, Mid-
Atlantic Milk Marketing Asso-
ciation, Land O'Lakes, MidAt-
lantic Farm Credit, Farmers &
Planters, Wicomico Farm &
Home Show, Rockawalkin &
Rewastico Ruritan Clubs,
Sharptown Lions Club, and
Master Gardeners.** A special
thanks also goes out to the
faculty & staff of the **Somer-
set & Wicomico County Ex-
tension Offices** for all their
help & support. We could
not hold this event without
everyone's help. We had
over 2,500 children attend
this year along with hundreds
of adults.



Sowell and Sarah Wilber who graduated from Delmar High School. Demonstrations were given by **Amy Wilber and Sarah Wilber**. Refreshments were provided by **The Hudson Family**. Our August meeting has been rescheduled.

Livestock Club

By: Adam Phillips

The June meeting was called to order by **Bradley Dorey** with 4 members and 2 leaders in attendance. Pledges were led by **Austin Meredith and Adam Phillips**. Secretary's & Treasurer's reports were given by **Adam Phillips & Sarah Dorey**. We discussed the money we received from the Horse Show ads, buckle contributions, audit, and mock show donations. The Wicomico County Livestock Club hosted a Mock Livestock Show & Clinic on June 20th. It was held at the Somerset County Fairgrounds. A small group of Wicomico 4-Hers were in attendance. It covered fitting and showing of beef steers, dairy cattle, meat goats, dairy goats & swine. Lunch was served by the parents. All who were there came away with a large wealth of knowledge about showing their animals. The Wicomico County Livestock Club would like to thank two local companies for their support: Hoobers for water and BJ's Wholesale store for the \$25 gift card. Thanks

also to Somerset County Fair Board for the use of their grounds.

Thanks to clubs for submitting such wonderful news articles about your clubs activities!!

Keep Up the Good Work!!

If you would like your club's news included in our newsletter just contact Mrs. Amy or Mrs. Kay. You can email or fax in your articles. Don't forget about submitting pictures too.

4-H Summer Adventures

There are still some openings in the following Summer Adventures:

1) **Fishing at the City Park** on July 9th from 9 am until 3 pm - Cost: \$10



2) **Overnight at Dick Hazel's Farm** on July 29-30th from 6 pm until 8:30 am Cost: \$20.



If you would like to register for either of these adventures, give the 4-H Office a call immediately at 410-749-6141.

Melson's Mustangs

By: Amy Wilber

The May meeting was brought to order by **Chelsea Hudson** with 15 members and 1 leader in attendance. Pledges were led by **Wesley Myrer and Luke Downes**. Secretary's & Treasurer's reports were given by **Megan James & Sarah Wilber**. We discussed the flower fundraiser, State Public Speaking, our Parent Appreciation Dinner, PAC 14 interviews, 4-H Horse Show and Shorebirds 4-H Night. We also talked about the MD 4-H All Stars, Summer Adventures, livestock tagging and weigh-in, and Quality Assurance Training. Refreshments were provided by **The Wilber Family**. The June meeting was called to order by **Chelsea Hudson** with 13 members and 1 leader in attendance. Pledges were led by **Adam Phillips & Wesley Myrer**. Secretary's & Treasurer's reports were given by **Megan James & Sarah Wilber**. We discussed the Shorebirds 4-H Night, 4-H Day at Six Flags, and Horse Show Concession Trailer. It was noted our project books are due on September 3rd. We talked about the upcoming Fairs. We also congratulated **Casey**



Wicomico County Farm & Home Show will be held on August 13 - 15, 2009 at the Wicomico Equestrian Center, Winterplace Parkway, Salisbury. You must pre-register and the registration deadline for 4-H exhibits is July 15th. Entries will be turned in on August 12th between 4-8 pm at the Carriage House. The Wicomico 4-H premium Books have been sent to Club Leaders, and are on the 4-H website, and copies are available to pick up at the 4-H Office. If you have any questions, please let us know. [Registration form is enclosed in this newsletter.](#)

Fourth of July Celebration !!



**ADKINS HISTORICAL
& MUSEUM COMPLEX
Mardela Springs MD**

***Saturday, July 4, 2009
10 am to 2 pm***

***BBQ Chicken Platters
Hot Dogs & Hamburgers
Soft Drinks, Water
Homemade Ice Cream***

***Old Fashion Games for Kids
Entertainment
Tractor Pulled Hay Rides
Face Painting by 4-H
Antique Cars***

***Come out & enjoy this
family fun event!!***



Local 4-H Celebrities on PAC14

Did you know some of our very own 4-H'ers and Leaders are now TV celebrities. A few months ago Mrs. Amy video taped a few victims, I mean volunteers and 4-H'ers. She then put together a 4-H promotional video that is being aired on the local cable channel, PAC 14. So if you live in Wicomico County and have cable you can see some of our local talent. If you don't get PAC 14 then you can visit their website and check the local programming to see when the next viewing will be aired and actually watch it online at www.pac14.org just click the top banner that says Live Streaming Video. Hopefully in the coming months this feature will also appear on our website and the state site. So give those who helped our a pat on the back for the great work.

Thanks to everyone who helped with the process, if you



were not featured in this taping, don't worry Mrs. Amy is putting together other pieces. I am actually looking for more stars to shine. I would like to create a running feature called "4-H Spotlight" that would star a 4-Her, a 4-H family, a club, a project focus, a demonstration, any presentation, or any idea that you think would be interesting to the community. Get to brain storming on what you would like to share. Lets show everyone why 4-H'ers are the BEST. If this is something you might be interested in give me a call and we will make your ideas come to life. We are also looking for a few people who would be interested in learning to work the cameras and be part of the film crew, so if this sounds like something your interested in call Mrs. Amy and we can get you started.

If you have an interest in becoming a producer of your own ideas contact PAC14. A small staff of 3 PAC14 employees can not cover all the worthy and important events that occur in our town - we must have volunteers. Join us and become 'one of many!' For more information contact Creig Twilley at 410-546-3670.



Did you miss a program on PAC 14 that you wanted to watch? Wicomico County residents are invited to use the PAC 14 DVD Lending Library located in the Wicomico Public Library. Well over 100 PAC 14 educational and informational programs free to reserve and watch at home. For details, www.wicomicolibrary.org.

Wicomico County 4-H Presents

The Sticky Fingers Cake Decorating Class



Join us for an all day cake decorating workshop for the whole family.

When: Tuesday July 21, 2009. From 9am-3pm

Where: Wicomico County Extension Office,
Old Quantico Rd., Salisbury, MD

The cost for the entire workshop will be \$25.00 per person and checks can be made out to Wicomico EAC and mailed to Wicomico 4-H, PO Box 1836, Salisbury MD 21802.

For more information and to Register call Mrs. Amy Rhodes at the Extension Office 410-749-6141x 108. Space is limited...call now!

Overview of the course

As a beginner's course for cake decorating, students will learn to bake, frost, and decorate a six inch round cake. Students will receive a beginner's set of pastry bags and tips, icing colors, and spatula. The finished cake creations will go home with each student to enjoy!

Schedule

9:00 AM – Baking the Cake – Six inch round cakes for decorating will be made ahead of time and will be ready to go, but we will mix and bake a sample cake so that the basics of baking can be learned.

10:00 AM – Icings and Frostings – Groups of students will make their own batch of buttercream icing and a sampling of different types of icing will be tasted and discussed to learn the differences in texture, taste, consistency, and use.

11:00 AM – Icing colors – We will learn about the different options for coloring icing and the effects of the colorings.

11:15 AM – Basics of decorating – Demonstrations will be given on the different techniques of piping using a pastry bag and different pastry tips to create a variety of designs. We will also learn about some of the basic flowers that can be created. A period of time will be allotted for each student to practice with their own pastry bags and tips.

12:00 PM – Break for Lunch – Bring your own!!

1:00 PM – Preparation of the cake for decorating – Six inch cakes will be leveled, filled with your favorite filling, and then iced to get them ready for decorating.

1:45 PM – Choices for decorating – Demonstration will be given on the options of putting a design onto the cake. Students will pick their own design and get ready for decorating.

2:00 PM – Decorate your own cake!! – Each student will have time to create their own edible masterpiece!

3:00 PM – Your creation is finished! – Take home your cake to enjoy with family and friends!!

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