

4-H Happenings Newsletter *March, 2007*

Wicomico 4-H Website ~ <http://extension.umd.edu/local/wicomico/4-H>
Educator ~ Amy Rhodes ~ arhodes1@umd.edu
Program Assistant ~ Barbara Barga ~ bbarga@umd.edu

Wicomico



Family fun is around the corner. Keep an eye out for fun and exciting outings and events coming up. Keep us posted on your achievements, big or small. Start thinking about Camp, Summer Adventures, the Horse Show, Farm and Home Show, and the State Fair. Clubs have the opportunity to fundraise, sell baked goods or run the food trailer at the Farm and Home show, anyone interested

let us know. Keep up all the great 4-H work!!

Mrs. Amy and Mrs. Barbara

Highlights this Issue

Winterfare
Welcome New Club
Powellville & Melson's Head to Annapolis
Club News
Jakes Day
Shooting Sports
Summer Adventures / Camp
Quality Assurance Training
Grants
Calendar
Outreach Opportunities
Horse Show
Volunteers Needed!

4-H Email Group

We are developing a 4-H email group. This will allow us to keep you up-to-date on 4-H happenings or allow you to share 4-H news via email. To be added to the group list contact Ms. Amy at arhodes1@umd.edu and put "Add me to the Email Group" in the subject line.

Volunteer Meeting Dates

Mondays 6:30
Wicomico Extension Office
April 23
July 23
October 15
January 28

Teen Lock-In 07



Teamwork led to a successful Group Sit



TUG OF WAR

Winterfare & Operation Snowflake a Huge Success

If you weren't at this year's Winterfare or Operation Snowflake you missed out on a great time. Over a hundred 4-Hers attended this annual event. Next time you should join US! More Pictures can be viewed at <http://picasaweb.google.com/Wicomico4H>

**Thank; To All Who
Helped Make This
Day So FUN**



HEADLINES
News Flash

Welcome to Our Newest Club the Pemberton Club



Black Eyed Susan's Surprise Mrs. Vivian for her birthday.



Powellville Heads To Annapolis

Monday, February 19th was a wonderful day for a trip to Annapolis for Powellville 4-H members John Coltellino, Miranda Smullen, Emily LeMaster and leaders Sandy LeMaster and Barbara Coltellino. The children received an information and activities booklet about Maryland which they really enjoyed. We also accepted an Award of Honor for the Wicomico County Action Team for participation in the Maryland 50/50 Partnership Program. After the program we headed over to Delegate Jim Mathias' office. He was happy to see the children and was truly interested in their concerns about their communities. He was particularly interested in being a part of our community service project at Adkins Mill Pond Park. I'm sure we will see him there. The children really enjoyed their visit with Delegate Mathias and learned that their opinion really does count and we really do have elected officials who are concerned about our communities! During the visit our group met up with Amy & Sarah Wilbur (from Melsons Mustangs) and their mom Melanie and they joined us in a visit to the capital building and at the House of Delegates to see Mr. Mathias.

Kindred Spirit Farm 4-H Club

On January 13th the club had its first meeting. There were 22 people interested in becoming members and 10 parents attended to learn about what the club would do. We completed our enrollment forms, collected money for our "Giddy Up & Go" project books, and discussed ways to keep up on our project books throughout the year. The younger children drew names from an envelope to find out who their older peer mentor would be to help with their project books. We also elected the following officers: **Colleen O'Reilly**, President; **Julia Poole** – Vice President; **Annie Reading** – Secretary; **Ellen Weber** – Treasurer; **Meredith Wilde** – Reporter. We even set up several committees to do games, snacks, be in charge of our community service project and other activities throughout the year. At the end, we played a horse trivia game and fed the horses.



On January 27th, we had our second meeting. **Colleen O'Reilly** called the meeting to order. **Julia Poole** led both pledges. **Annie Reading** gave the secretary's report. **Ellen Weber** gave the Treasurer's report. The younger 4-H members met with their peer mentors and we started work on our project books. We all made our covers and started filling out some pages. We plan to do a community service activity in February. We had a snack provided by **Logan Grant & Nicole Snitzer**. Twenty-three people attended.

Our club met on February 10th. We had ten members attend the MD Horse Expo, and twelve members attend a T-touch clinic for horses. We are planning to do some community service work at the Humane Society on February 24th. Everyone is going to bring in supplies and go out to lunch together. **Ellen Weber** led the pledges at our meeting. **Emily Desardins** and **Ali Travers** brought snacks. **Julia Poole & Ellen Weber** brought drinks. **Madison Dillon** made a game on horse body parts to review the activities we did in our project book.

Wicomico Livestock Club – By: Greta Downes

The meeting was called to order by **Chelsea Hudson** with 10 members and 4 leaders in attendance. Pledges were led by **Amy Wilber & Adam Phillips**. Secretary's & Treasurer's reports were given by **Wesley Myrer and Luke Downes**. We discussed our club shirts. We also talked about the MD 4-H Diamond Clover Award program, Public Speaking, and Winterfare. Games were led by **Keith Dorey**. Refreshments were provided by **Wesley Myrer**.

Melson's Mustangs – By: Chelsea Hudson

The meeting was called to order by **Chelsea Hudson** with eight members present. Pledges were led by **Adam Phillips & Austin Meredith**. Treasurer's report was given by **Sarah Wilber**. We responded to the roll call with our favorite Valentine candy. We discussed the following business: teens shared the fun they had at the Teen Lock-In, fifty-two Valentines were made and sent to Friends of our Troops, attending 4-H Day in Annapolis on February 19th, 4-H article in the Delmarva Youth Magazine; Winterfare registrations, date and theme for our annual Parent Appreciation Dinner. We Chelsea Hudson's help we made chocolate dipped pretzel rods, oreo cream cheese balls, mini pretzels topped with M & M's to share with our Valentine. We sang Happy Birthday to Miss Melody & Casey Sowell. Refreshments were provided by **Megan & Stephanie James**.



Eastern Shore Chapter NWTf JAKE'S Day

Saturday June 9, 2007

Mr. Dick Hazel's Farm on Cooper Road
in Allen, MD

Events begin around 8:30 AM
Activities to include: Shotgun Shooting,
Archery, Air Rifles, Retriever
Demonstration, Nature Trail, Fishing,
Allen VFD Demonstration, Face
Painting, Wicomico County 4H
Open to kids up to 17 years old
All activities and lunch are free!!
Please join us for a great day in the
outdoors!

SUMMER ADVENTURE COUNSELORS NEEDED!

We are planning a super fun
program this year. We want your
ideas. Call **Barbara Barga** for
more information or to register to
be a Summer Adventure Counselor. We need
you if you are 14 & older.



QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING

Quality Assurance Training will be held on **April 4, 2007 from 6:30-8:30 pm** at the Wicomico Extension Office, Nanticoke Rd, Salisbury. Remember you must attend this training to show 4-H livestock this summer.

Lowershore 4-H CAMP

Location:

Hurlock, MD, Camp Thendara

When: June 19-22

Camper's Ages 8-13

Keep An Eye Out for More Info



Shooting Sports Update

Any adults interested in
volunteering or becoming
certified in the shooting sports
program is encouraged to
attend the shooting sports meeting **Friday,
March 30th 6:30 at the Wicomico Office.**
Certification class will be held May 4-6, at
Thendara, Hurlock MD.

Currently the **Archery Club** meets the **3rd
Tuesday** of each month at **6pm, at Gander
Mountain.** Questions call Earl Ludy at 410-
957-4079.

Sporting Clays Tournament, April 14, Pintail
Point, for more info call Conrad 410-228-8800.

**Does Your Club Want Its Own
Webpage? Now You Can!
Contact Mrs. Amy to get started.**



Grants:

Pay It Forward Mini-Grants – For one-time youth-identified service projects that benefit their schools, neighborhoods or greater communities. Projects must be based on the concept of one person doing a favor for others, who in turn do favors for others, with ever-expanding results.

Funder: Pay It Forward Foundation.

Eligibility: Schools, churches and community youth groups (with an adult sponsor).

Youths or adults may write the application.

Deadline: April 15, Oct. 15 and Jan. 15 of each year.

Amount: \$500.

Contact: <http://payitforwardfoundation.org/educators/grant.html>

The Yoshiyama Award for Exemplary Service to the Community Awards for up to 10 high school seniors each year in recognition of exemplary service and community involvement. Funder: The Hitachi Foundation.

Eligibility: High school seniors can be nominated.

Deadline: April 2.

Amount: \$5,000 over two years.

Contact: www.hitachifoundation.org/faqs_yoshi.html

**Photography Club
members wanted.
Meets 2nd Tues. 6:30
at the Wicomico
Office**



* Local Event	4-H Dates of Interest
*January	Teen Lock-In
January/February/March	Camp Counselor Recruitment and Training
*February	Winterfare / Operation Snowflake
February	4-H Day in Annapolis
*March 9	Speaking Competition 6:30, Wicomico County Office
March 10	Maryland 4-H Horse Bowl Contest
March 17	State 4-H Shotgun Match
April 14	MD 4-H Foundation Sporting Clay; Fundraiser Shoot
*April 28	Early Childhood Fair 10-4, Salisbury Mall
April 28	University of Maryland Day/Ag Day
May 4-6	Shooting Sports; Instructor Training, Thendara
May 5	Dairy Bowl
*May 5	Safe Kids Day 12-4, YMCA
May 5-6	Sheep and Wool Festival
*May 12	Horse Show, Winterplace
*May 15-17	Farm Tour, Harcum Farm
*June-August	Summer Adventures
June 9	Jake's Day, Dick Hazel Farm
June 19-21	2007 State 4-H Teen Focus; Conference
*June 19-22	Camp, Hurlock, Camp Thendara
June 23	State 4-H Horse Judging and Hippology Contests
July 9-10	State 4-H Horse Jamboree
*July 13	Shorebirds Overnight
*July	Somerset County Fair, Worcester County Fair
*August 16-18	Farm & Home Show, Winterplace
August 23 – Sept 3	State Fair, Timonium
October 13-14	State 4-H Archery Event
*October	Family Camp
*November	Teen and Adult Volunteer Forum
*November	Award; Banquet
*November/December	Holiday Workshop



Upcoming Out Reach Opportunities

How do we tell the public about 4-H? Well there are many ways, "by word of mouth" usually is the best. So to start our campaign to recruit new members and volunteers into the program, we have several opportunities to talk directly to the public at upcoming local events. We are asking each club to make at least a 1 hour commitment to any of the following dates. Help support the program, contact Mrs. Amy or Mrs. Barb for more info.



April 28th, 10-4, Early Child Fair, Center at Salisbury

May 5, 12-4, Safe Kids Day, Salisbury YMCA

May 12, Horse Show

May 15-17, Farm Tour, Volunteers needed

June 9, JAKES Day

August 16-18, Farm and Home Show

The Salisbury Horse Show at Winterplace - May 12, 2007

Sponsored by Wicomico 4-H



Dear 4-H Members:

*Thank you for helping us raise money to support the Wicomico County 4-H Program by selling advertisements for our horse show. This is the only time this year you will be asked to help raise money for the County 4-H Program. **We're asking every 4-Her to sell at least one ad.** And, we'd ask that you only try to sell ads to people you know or your family does business with. Selling an ad can help you learn important public speaking and self confidence skills. We'd like 4-Hers, not parents, selling ads.*

As an incentive, 25% of the money you raise will be returned to your club. The club raising the most money per member (example: 10 members sell \$100 in ads = \$10/member) will receive a pizza or bowling party. And, the 4-H Family that raises the most money will win free admission (for up to 4 people) to the amusement park of their choice.

Here are some selling tips: 1. Be polite and neatly dressed. 2. Ask to speak to the store owner or manager. Explain who you are and what you want. 3. Explain how the money will be used as shown above. 4. Tell them this is the only time they will be asked to support Wicomico 4-H this year. 5. If you are successful, carefully complete the attached form and send it immediately to the 4-H Office.

*Thanks for helping us with this project. Call if you have any questions. **Remember the deadline for ads is 4/2/07.***

PS: 4-H is sponsoring this show but it's not a show just for 4-Hers. Most of the riders will be adults competing in the Eastern Shore Combine Horse Show Circuit.

Dear Friend of 4-H,

*Thank you for your support of the Wicomico County 4-H Program. **One Hundred Percent** of the funds raised from our horse show will be used to support the activities of the Wicomico 4-Hers. Twenty-five percent of the money raised will be returned to 4-H Clubs for their community projects. The balance will be used for camp scholarships, fair ribbons, achievement medals and awards for our young people, volunteer training for teens and adults and much more.*

*This is **the only time this year** you will be asked to support the Wicomico County 4-H Program. Your consideration of this request is greatly appreciated. **Deadline for ads is April 2, 2007.***



Sincerely,

*Amy Rhodes, 4-H Educator
Wicomico County Extension*

It is the policy of the University of MD, Agricultural Experiment Station and MD Cooperative Extension that no person shall be subjected to discrimination on the grounds of race, color, gender, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, age, marital or parental status, or disability.



Salisbury Horse Show at Winterplace - May 12, 2007

Sponsored by Wicomico 4-H



Program Book Advertisement Order Form - Deadline for ads is 4/2/07.

Name of business or organization: _____

Person authorized to purchase this ad: _____

Business Address: _____

Phone: ____ - ____ - ____ Fax Number: ____ - ____ - ____ Email: _____

Ad Size: **Full Page** (8"x5") @ \$50. _____ **Half Page** (4"x5") @ \$40 _____

Third Page (2.75"x5") @ \$30. _____ **Friend** (single line listing) @ \$5 - \$25. _____

Amount of ad: \$ _____ Cash _____ Check (Payable to Wicomico E.A.C.) _____

4-H Salesperson _____ Represent: _____ 4-H Club _____

Attach business card or other artwork for ad in this space. Ads will be black on white.

Please list any special directions for ad here:

4-Hers: Send this order form promptly to "Miss Kay" at the 4-H Office. Thanks!

Remember the deadline for ads is 4/2/07.

Buyer's Receipt

Thank you for supporting all the young people who are members of the Wicomico County 4-H Program by purchasing an ad for the Salisbury Horse Show at Winterplace on May 12, 2007.

Business or Organization: _____

Name of Buyer: _____ **Ad Size:** *Full Page* _____ *Half page* _____ *1/3 Page* _____

Amount of Ad: \$ _____ **4-H Salesperson:** _____ **Club** _____

Call the 4-H Office at 410 749-6141 with questions or instructions. **Thanks!**

Wicomico 4-H, P.O. Box 1836, Salisbury, MD 21802





SALISBURY 4-H HORSE SHOW AT WINTERPLACE

Sponsored by Wicomico County 4-H

Wicomico Equestrian Center

Winterplace Park

3 miles east of Salisbury, MD on Rt. 50

May 12, 2007 - 8:00 am

It is the policy of the University of Maryland, Agricultural Experiment Station and Maryland Cooperative Extension that no person shall be subjected to discrimination on the grounds of race, color, gender, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, age, marital or parental status, or disability.

**NON-PROFIT
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
SALISBURY MD
PERMIT NO. 185**

**MARYLAND COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND
Wicomico County 4-H
P.O. Box 1836
Salisbury, MD 21802**