

## July—August 2016

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## It's Fair Time

Summer time is here, which means its Fair time. This summer newsletter is devoted to sharing details about our county fair and the Maryland State Fair. I



encourage all of you to consider participating in some way – exhibits, contests, entertainment, family fun, and more. There truly is fun and hands-on education for all!

I also want to share information on how you and your family can help before, during, and after the Fair with the many duties that take place. Many hands make light work and that really is the case at the county Fair. The more 4-H members, volunteers, and families that help with set-up and fair “jobs,” the less work it is for all the volunteers who plan and run the Fair. Please consider how YOU will help during the Fair – help with set-up, exhibit check-in, dipping ice cream, helping in kitchen, assisting with fair dinners, working at cake wheel booth, and so much more. See inside for details on what, when, and where help is needed most!

Don't forget that the Maryland State Fair happens over the summer too. Youth are encouraged to enter their exhibits and participate in contests and other opportunities. See the Maryland State Fair section in this newsletter for all the details and entry deadline.

Lastly, I say best wishes and thank you to Ms. Kerry who retired on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Fair!

Navonne Owen, 4-H Agent Associate



## A note from Kerry Turner, 4-H Program Assistant:

“Hi everyone, I want to let you all know that I will be retiring as of July 1<sup>st</sup> 2016. Though it is an exciting opportunity for me, it is also a bit sad as I will not be continuing my 4-H work. I will surely miss working with the Dorchester County youth and all the teachers in the schools. I have made many connections, many friends in the county, the schools and the 4-H clubs in the last 16 years. I will miss the comradery we shared working together to bring topics of interest and stimulation to the children in Dorchester County. They may forget what we said, forget what we did, but they will never forget how we made them feel – excited, interested, and passionate about life.

I take this opportunity to thank one and all for your support which helped me develop both professionally and personally in achieving all the success that I had during my time with University of Maryland Extension and 4-H. I feel proud to have known each and every one and honored to have spent time with your children sharing, to the best of my ability, my knowledge of healthy living, nature, wildlife, conservation and environmental science.

I wish everyone whose lives I’ve touched and who have touched my life the very best in all things. I thank you all for your generosity, your support and your friendship and hope we all manage to connect again from time to time.

I am looking forward to the next phase of my life and hope to continue sharing my time and experience with Dorchester County youth.

And to all my young friends out there – *“When the World says ‘Give Up’, Hope Whispers ‘Try It One More Time’”* – *“Hope Springs Eternal”*

## Welcome, Miss Ashley Brown...



Since Ms. Kerry is retiring and 4-H has many outreach programs over the summer, we are excited to welcome Miss Ashley Brown as a part-time 4-H Program Assistant. Ashley will be assisting with outreach programs for the next six months including afterschool and in-school enrichment programs, as well as assisting during the Caroline/Dorchester County Fair. Ashley is a Dorchester County 4-H alum, as she was a member of the 4-H Leprechauns club, and is a student at Chesapeake College.

Ashley can be reached at  
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## County Fair Set-Up Night – Wednesday, July 27, 6:30 pm



4-H families are needed to help with set-up of the Fair on Wednesday, July 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at the 4-H Park in Denton.

This is the night where we get out the exhibits, put up signs, spruce up the buildings and grounds, set-up tables/chairs, decorate, and so much more. Please plan to attend and provide a few hours of service to help us get ready for the Fair!!!

Please consider bringing a pair of gloves and rake, and make sure to wear comfortable clothes and shoes you don’t mind getting dirty.

# 2016 Caroline/Dorchester County Fair August 3-6; 4-H Park in Denton

**SCHEDULE:** See attached schedule for latest information

## **4-H INDOOR EXHIBITS:**

Check-in of entries before Fair– Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 5 pm – 8 pm  
Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1 pm – 6 pm

Pick-up of entries after Fair – Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 10 am – 2 pm

## **4-H LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS:**

Check-in – Tuesday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 3 pm – 8 pm

Release of livestock – Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 8 am

Fair Barn Meeting – Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm (4-H Park in Denton) – this meeting is mandatory for all Caroline and Dorchester 4-Hers showing livestock; a parent needs to attend too

## **4-H CAKE AUCTION:**

All youth (including Cloverbuds) who entered and exhibit a decorated cake MUST be present on Wednesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 pm for the 4-H Cake Auction.

## **4-H CAKE WHEEL:**

Cake donations are needed for the 4-H Cake Wheel. Cakes should be wrapped and labeled as to type. Please drop your cake off at the Main Building kitchen starting on Thursday morning. Cakes are needed for the entire Fair. Proceeds from the cake wheel benefit the Joanne C. Wooters Fair Scholarship so any donations are definitely needed and appreciated.

**HELP WANTED:** *(to sign-up for a specific time/job, please email Navonne at [nowen@umd.edu](mailto:nowen@umd.edu))*

Help is needed over various days, times, and locations during the Fair....

4-H Indoor Exhibits – need help of youth and adults to assist with check-in of entries (August 1<sup>st</sup> 5-8 pm, August 2<sup>nd</sup> 1-6 pm); also need youth and adults to clerk for the judges (August 2<sup>nd</sup> 7 pm and August 3<sup>rd</sup> 10 am).

Evening Dinners – need clubs and families to assist with the Fair's dinner each night from 4:30-9 pm; this could include anything from shucking corn, to carrying food trays from the kitchen out to the pavilion. Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, our livestock and horse folks will be preparing to or in process of showing, so we are hoping some of our other clubs may be able to assist these evenings. To schedule a time, please contact Mary Lou Brown at (443) 521-0884.

Kitchen - need volunteers to help in the kitchen (no cooking required – just assist customers, handle money/cash register, etc.); this runs pretty much all day in the main building. To schedule a time, please contact Mary Lou Brown at (443) 521-0884.

Clean-up – need many volunteers to assist in taking down all the exhibits and general clean up on Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10 am

\* Please note that even giving 1 hour of your time is helpful and appreciated. Youth members can earn service learning hours. Inquire with your school counselor or 4-H Agent.

## **ADMISSION:**

Your 2016 4-H member or volunteer card will get you in to the Caroline/Dorchester County Fair at no charge. Make sure to carry your card to the Fair to show at the gate. *\*Please note that your card is included with this newsletter*



# 2016 Maryland State Fair August 25 – September 5<sup>th</sup>

## **ENTRY DEADLINE:**

Entries are due online by 11:59 pm on Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup>

## **SCHEDULE, RULES, CLASSES & ONLINE ENTRY SYSTEM:**

Visit: <http://www.marylandstatefair.com/exhibitors/4-h>

## **PUBLIC SPEAKING OPPORTUNITY:**

Enthusiastic youth are needed to show off their public speaking skills during the State Fair. Participants will have the opportunity to record announcements that will be broadcast over the Fairgrounds four times daily. For more information or to sign-up, please contact Amanda Clougherty at [mdsf4h-fa@gmail.com](mailto:mdsf4h-fa@gmail.com).



## **4-H INDOOR EXHIBITS:**

Check-in of State Fair entries – Wednesday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2 pm – 8 pm

Pick-up of State Fair entries – Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>; 9 am – 7 pm



## **4-H LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS:**

Check schedule for specific species entry and release times



## **4-H PARADE:**

Help us to celebrate the 135th unFAIRgettable Maryland State Fair by joining in the parade on Sunday, August 28 at 5:50 pm. Lineup will be in the infield with the parade route around the Grandstand Race Track. Floats and marching units are welcome! All units must submit a registration form by August 1<sup>st</sup>. Form is available online at [www.marylandstatefair.com](http://www.marylandstatefair.com).

## **PLEASE NOTE:**

MS. NAVONNE WILL BE HELPING AT THE MARYLAND STATE FAIR AND IS WILLING TO TAKE DORCHESTER COUNTY 4-H MEMBERS' INDOOR EXHIBITS WITH HER. THIS IS ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS AND DEPENDS ON SPACE AND NUMBER OF ITEMS. Email Navonne at [nowen@umd.edu](mailto:nowen@umd.edu) to take advantage of this offer.

# 2016 Caroline/Dorchester County Fair Schedule of Events

Events and times are subject to change.



## Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup>

5:00 pm - 8:00 pm..... 4-H/FFA Indoor Exhibit Check In (Main Building)

## Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>

9:00 am - 7:00 pm..... Indoor Commercial Exhibit Set Up

1:00 pm – 6:00 pm..... 4-H/FFA Indoor Exhibit Check In (Main Building)

3:00 pm - 8:00 pm ..... Caroline/Dorchester 4-H/FFA Livestock Entries (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goats, Dairy) and 4-H horses staying in the barn entered

3:00 pm - 7:00 pm..... Open Adult/Open Youth Indoor Exhibit Registration (all items entered at this time) (Main Building)

7:00 pm ..... Judging of 4-H/FFA Indoor Exhibits (Main Building; closed to spectators)

7:00 pm ..... Judging of Open Adult/Open Youth perishable items (Main Building; closed to spectators)

## Wednesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>

**\*FREE ADMISSION SPONSORED BY THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE\***

**\*FREE ICE CREAM (CAKE CONE) WITH COUPON AT GATE COMPLIMENTS OF NAGEL CROP INSURANCE\***

9:00 am ..... Open Sheep Check In

9:00 am - 3:00 pm..... Tractor and Farm Equipment/Outdoor Exhibitor Set Up

10:00 am ..... 4-H/FFA/Open Sheep Show

10:00 am - 3:00 pm ..... Judging of 4-H Indoor Exhibits (closed to spectators)

11:00 am - 9:00 pm..... Food Concession Open

12:00 pm ..... Open Dairy Check In

2:00 pm ..... 4-H/FFA/Open Dairy Show or following Sheep Show

4:00 pm ..... Gates open to the public

5:00 pm – 10:00 pm ..... Amusement Area (inflatables, rock wall, etc.) open

5:00 pm ..... 4-H Fashion Review, Williams Building

5:00 pm – 8:30 pm..... Train Display, Main Building (tentative)

5:30 pm – 8:00 pm..... Fried Chicken Dinner (Reger Pavilion)

6:00 pm ..... Caroline/Dorchester County Fair Little Princess, Princess & Queen Contests

6:45pm ..... Outhouse Races registration

7:00pm ..... Outhouse Races

7:30 pm ..... 4-H Cake Auction (Reger Pavilion)

## Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup>

**\*\$1 ADMISSION WITH THE DONATION OF A CANNED GOOD TO THE MD FOOD**

9:00 am ..... Open Meat Goat Check In

9:00 am - 12:00 pm..... Scales and Tails

9:00 am ..... Tooth Fairy's Helper (Williams Building)

9:00 am - 1:00 pm ..... Children's Day (11am Story Time, 12pm – Games)

9:00 am - 12:00 pm..... Face Painting

10:00 am - 12:00 pm..... Magician

10:00 am ..... 4-H/FFA/Open Meat Goat Show

10:00 am to 1:00 pm..... Amusement Area Inflatables open for Children's Day (\$1 each)

11:00 am - 9:00 pm..... Food Concession Open

5:00 pm ..... Open Swine Check In

5:00 pm - 10:00 pm..... Amusement Area (inflatables, rock wall, etc.) open

5:00 pm – 8:30 pm..... Train Display, Main Building (tentative)

5:30 pm – 8:00 pm ..... Crab Cake Dinner (Reger Pavilion)

6:00 pm ..... 4-H/FFA/Open Swine Show

7:00 pm – 10:00 pm..... **JONES BOYS**

## Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am	Open Beef Check In
10:00 am	4-H/FFA/Open Beef Show
11:00 am - 9:00 pm	Food Concession Open
2:00 pm	Registration for Horse Speed Event
3:00 pm	Horse Speed Event
4:00 pm – 10:00 pm	Amusement Area (inflatables, rock wall, etc.) open
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Scales and Tails
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Fishmobile
5:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Train Display, Main Building (tentative)
5:30 pm	Dress A Goat Contest Registration (Livestock Show Ring)
5:30 pm – 8:00 pm	Beef Dinner (Reger Pavilion)
5:30 pm – 7:30 pm	Magician John Dodge
6:00 pm	Dress A Goat Contest (Livestock Show Ring)
6:30 pm	Greased Pig Contest Registration (weather permitting and availability of animals)
7:00 pm	Greased Pig Contest (Square Horse Show Ring)
7:00 pm – 10:00 pm	<b>THE HIRED GUNS</b>
7:30 pm	Mounted Cowboy Shooting Demonstration

## Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am	Registration Horse Show
8:30 am	4-H/FFA/Open Rabbit & Cavy Show Check In (Livestock Show Ring)
9:00 am	Horse Show
9:00 am – 10:00 pm	Amusement Area (inflatables, rock wall, etc.)
9:00 am	4-H/FFA/Open Rabbit & Cavy Show
9:00 am – 10:00 pm	Amusement Area (inflatables, rock wall, etc.) open (2 – 5 pm - Wristbands)
11:00 am	Baby Contests - Entry Number Registration in front of Reger Pavilion (Pre-registration is required by Wednesday, August 3rd by 3:00 pm)
11:00 am - 9:00 pm	Food Concession Open
11:00 am – 8:00 pm	Train Display, Main Building (tentative)
12:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Jousting
1:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Car Show
2:00 pm	Pet Show Registration (Horse Show Ring)
3:00 pm	Pet Show (Horse Show Ring)
3:00 pm	Cow Patty Bingo (Square Horse Show Ring)
3:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Chicken BBQ Dinner (Reger Pavilion)
4:00 pm – 6:30 pm	<b>FLAT LAND DRIVE</b>
6:00 pm	4-H/FFA Livestock Auction
8:00 pm - 9:30 pm	<b>THE FABULOUS HUBCAPS</b> (\$15 AT THE FAIR)

## Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am	Animals released
10:00am - 2:00 pm	Release of Indoor Exhibits

