

# 4-H CLOVER PATCH

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4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning life skills, communication, leadership, and citizenship.



## MAY - JUNE 2015

### 4-H CLUBS AND EVENTS

#### Maryland 4-H Environmental Education And Camping Center Website

The **Maryland 4-H Environmental Education and Camping Center** website is now located in our 4-H Website. If you have questions, please contact Darrell Spence, Camp Coordinator at 301-697-7170 or 301-245-4158 or email him at [dspence2@umd.edu](mailto:dspence2@umd.edu).



- ★ If your family has connections to sponsors interested in advertising in the gate book please email: [4h.fairboard@gmail.com](mailto:4h.fairboard@gmail.com). Folks receive the book when they enter the fair at the gate. The Saturday night concert will feature Country singers Craig Campbell and Doug Stone. We are seeking sponsors for this event as well. Sponsors may earn perks such as VIP seats; and maybe a chance to meet and greet the singers, etc. Again, go to the above email address for details.

#### Caroline-Dorchester County Fair August 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> 2015



- ★ We expect the county fair premium book to be online at the end of May or the first week in June on the Caroline County website: [extension.umd.edu/caroline-county/4-h-youth/generic-fair-event-information](http://extension.umd.edu/caroline-county/4-h-youth/generic-fair-event-information)
- ★ Please be looking for the information and be sure to complete your registration form and mail or hand deliver by **July 1** to:  
**University of MD Extension**  
**9194 Legion Road, Suite 4**  
**Denton, MD 21629**
- ★ (NOTE: must be postmarked by July 1, 2015)



- ★ Check out the first edition of the [2015 MD State Fair 4-H Newsletter](#) to stay up to date on State Fair news.



## The MARYLAND STATE FAIR

### Division Books Now Posted Online

- ★ Division Superintendents and the folks at the State Fair office have been busy editing the rules and regulations for many of the 2015 State Fair classes. They have also added some new sections and classes! Go to: [www.marylandstatefair.com/exhibitors/4-h](http://www.marylandstatefair.com/exhibitors/4-h) to see the updated division books.



*Please note that Labor Day falls late this year! The State Fair takes place August 28th- September 7th*

### MD State Fair Youth Worker Application Now Available



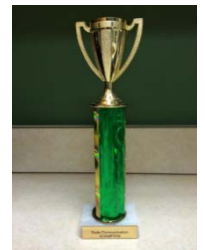
- ★ The Maryland State Fair is looking for youth workers over the age of 14 to help out in Animal World, the Home Arts Building, and the Poultry and Rabbit Building during the 11 days of the fair. If you are enthusiastic about 4-H and able to interact positively with youth, UME and MDSF staff, volunteers, and the public, we want you to apply! You must be currently enrolled in the Maryland 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](mailto:akbrown@umd.edu)

### Graphic Art Design 4-H Promotional Classes

- ★ Are you good with computers and have a talent for creativity? Consider entering a project in the new 4-H Promotional Graphic Design class! Each 4-H member can enter 1 design per class: County 4-H Promotion, Maryland 4-H Promotion, and Open 4-H Promotion.
- ★ Designs should be no larger than 8"x10" and may be horizontal or vertical and must be computer generated. All artwork must be original—no images or photos from the internet are permitted except for the official 4-H Clover.

### Maryland State Fair Newsletters Congratulations to the 2015 4-H State Communication Contest participants!!!

- ★ Congratulations to the one hundred eight 4-Hers (each one a Champion) who represented 21 of our Maryland counties on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at the State 4-H Communications Contest. This State Event held during the campus-wide Maryland Day offered the perfect venue to showcase the life skill development of our 4-H program!!! We salute you for your poise, your confidence, your ability to stand before an audience and present yourself, your thoughts, and your ideas in a proficient manner. Congratulations!



## 2015 Maryland 4-H Foundation Scholarship Application Now Available!



This year's scholarship application is now available online at <http://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](mailto: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](http://www.orioles.com/tix/maryland4h).

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## 4-H CLUB NEWS:

### Seeds of Change:

- ★ Club members got a late start this year due to bad weather lasting so long. But by March we were up and running. In March members attended the Healthy Living

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Ambassadors Summit at Thendara 4-H Center in Hurlock; we are proud to say we have five Healthy Living Ambassadors.

- ★ Club business meetings have members planning field trips, guest speakers and choosing a new community service. Summer plans include:

- ▲ Robotics
- ▲ Fishing Expedition
- ▲ Forestry Hike
- ▲ Guest Speaker for Wetlands/ Marshes and Water Quality
- ▲ Other activities are being considered and will be announced at a later date.

- ★ Our storm drain stenciling community service is coming to an end. Several event dates were chosen but weather (rain/cold) only allowed one event on April 25<sup>th</sup> thus far. Last stenciling event is scheduled for Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>.



## WHAT IS 4-H?

### The 4-H emblem:

The H's on each leaf stand for the words Head, Heart, Hands, and

Health.

- ★ **4-H Colors:** Green and White
- ★ **4-H Slogan:** "learn by doing"
- ★ **4-H Motto:** "to Make the Best Better"
- ★ **4-H pledge:** "I pledge my Head to clearer thinking, my Heart to greater loyalty, my Hands to larger service and my Health to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world."

**Annual Participation Fee:** \$10

**Membership Age:**

- ★ 5 to 7 - Clovers
- ★ 8 to 18 - 4-H

***Do you want to learn more about 4-H?***

4-H members, parents, and volunteers can find out about Dorchester County 4-H by going online to:

<https://extension.umd.edu/dorchester-county> or; about State- Level 4-H programs, policies, and forms by going online to: [www.extension.umd.edu/4-h](http://www.extension.umd.edu/4-h)

OR;

contact Kerry Turner, 4-H Program Assistant, at 410-228-8800 or e-mail [kerryt@umd.edu](mailto:kerryt@umd.edu)