ACHIEVEMENT BANQUET

Congratulations to everyone that submitted a completed 4-H Record Book, completed a Diamond Clover level, was on a judging or bowl team or was an outstanding 4-H member in 2017.

Special thanks to all of the club leaders and volunteers who judged those Record Books, read your 4-H stories and nominated 4-H’ers for outstanding recognition!

TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY (TSC) SPRING PAPER CLOVER CAMPAIGN

All clubs and individuals are encouraged to participate in this fundraising and 4-H program awareness event.

April 11-22, 2018

This semiannual fundraiser supports the Harford County 4-H Program directly! Each campaign has generated hundreds of dollars for our local 4-H program. And with two Tractor Supply stores in Harford County (located in Aberdeen and Fallston), we encourage clubs to bring displays, hands on activities and small animals or pets. Email Cynthia Warner at cwarnert@umd.edu for further questions and to let her know when you will be attending and which store.

Buy a Clover and Show Off Your 4-H Projects!

“Tractor Supply Co. Supports 4-H”

ARCHERY SAFETY MEETING

There is a mandatory 4-H Archery Safety meeting scheduled for April 19 and May 17. 4-H’ers need only attend one meeting date. Both meetings will be held at the Extension Office at 7:00pm. Anyone interested in competing in the Archery Contest during the Harford County Farm Fair must attend.

2018 HARFORD COUNTY FARM BUREAU SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Harford County Farm Bureau offers two different college scholarships each year. One is available to applicants whose families are members of the Harford County Farm Bureau while the other is a 4-H Memorial Scholarship available to applicants belonging to Harford County 4-H for a minimum of two years. Applications must be postmarked or delivered to the Harford County Farm Bureau Office on April 26. For information, call (410) 836-7773; email harfordfb@gmail.com; or visit the Harford County Agricultural Center at 3525 Conowingo Road in Street for a hard copy.
ARE YOU ENROLLED FOR 2018?

If you have not turned in a completed 4-H re-enrollment/enrollment form with the $10 participation fee for 2018 to your club leader for them to sign, make sure you follow up at your next club meeting. In order to participate in the Harford County Farm Fair, forms and fees must be turned in to the 4-H Office by May 1.

List each project that you plan on showing at the county or state fair. You can only show items or animals that you have projects listed for on your enrollment form. Example: If you plan on showing anything grown from your garden (peppers, carrots, tomatoes, flowers, herbs, etc.), you must list horticulture on your form. Paintings, drawings, jewelry, clay, etc. would all fall under crafts. Check to make sure anything you might want to show at the fair falls under a project area that is listed on your enrollment form. Animals projects must be listed for each species.

2018 UME VOLUNTEER ONLINE ENROLLMENT

All UME Volunteers must re-enroll themselves online at: https://md.4honline.com New this year: You’ll need to estimate number of hours volunteering and the number of youth impacted.

4-H CAMP

The early bird deadline for reduced camp registration fees is May 1. Registration and health forms are available at the Harford County Agricultural Office or online: http://extension.umd.edu/harford-county/4-h-youth/2018-4-h-camping-season

**Clover 4-H Camp**

- Open to all youth ages 5-7 as of January 1, 2018
- Wednesday, June 20 – Friday, June 22
- $85 for 4-H members enrolled by May 1; $95 for non 4-H members by May 1; or $110 for all registrations received after May 1

**Intermediate 4-H Camp**

- Open to all youth ages 11-13 or have completed 6th-8th grade
- Sunday, June 24 - Friday, June 29
- $240 for 4-H members enrolled by May 1; $295 for non 4-H members by May 1; or $345 for all registrations received after May 1

**Junior 4-H Camp**

- Open to all youth ages 8-10 or have completed 2nd-5th grade
- Sunday, July 8 - Thursday, July 12
- $200 for 4-H members enrolled by May 1; $255 for non 4-H members by May 1; or $305 for all registrations received after May 1
**DOG TRAINING CLASSES**

Dog **Agility** classes will begin the first week of May at Jill Blackburn’s farm in Darlington. The fee is $25.00 again this year. For more information and to sign up, email Jill at jllblkbrn@gmail.com.

The **Obedience, Rally & Showmanship** classes will start on Thursday, May 3 at the 4-H Camp. The fee is $25.00. For more information and to register, contact Debbie Flock at debflock@aol.com.

Dogs must have a current Rabies vaccination in order to participate in either training.

**CECIL COUNTY BREEDERS’ FAIR**

Livestock, Rabbit, Cavy & Dog Shows will take place Saturday, June 2. The Horse Shows will take place Sunday, June 3. The 83rd annual Cecil County Breeders’ Fair takes place at the Cecil County Fairgrounds in Fair Hill. Harford County 4-H’ers are invited to participate in this regional spring fair. Entries must be postmarked by Tuesday, May 1 and require Cynthia Warner’s signature as the 4-H Educator. For rules, classes and entry forms, please visit: http://extension.umd.edu/cecil-county/4-h-youth/cecil-county-b-fair

**HELP WANTED AT THE 4-H CAMP**

What’s summer camp without a campfire? Not much fun! The 4-H Camp is looking for some volunteers who would be willing to come to the camp with their own equipment to cut, split and/or stack firewood for the summer campfires. If you can give some time to this project, please call Tom Binns at (410) 982-1305 or email events@deercreekoverlook.com.

**HARFORD COUNTY 4-H MEAL APPEAL CONTEST**

This annual contest is a club favorite and will be held Saturday, April 7 at the 4-H Office beginning at 9:30 am. 4-H clubs are encouraged to plan a properly balanced menu based on the MyPlate Guidelines and prepare one dish from the menu for the judges that day. Club members will demonstrate how to prepare the dish as a team. Club members must also include a table setting and centerpiece. For rules and guidelines, visit the Event Calendar. Everyone is welcome to come out and support this event on April 7.

**WILLS FAIR**

The 2018 Wills Fair will be held Saturday, May 19 at the Howard County Fairgrounds. The fair hosts the following departments: beef, dairy, goats, dogs, poultry, sheep, rabbits and cavies. For links to each department and the entry forms, go to: Wills Fair

Entries are due no later than April 20 and are mailed to: 4-H Department, Carroll County –UME, 700 Agriculture Center, Westminster, MD 21157.
THE BIG DEADLINE IS MAY 1, 2018…FOR JUST ABOUT EVERYTHING!

That’s right! May 1 is quickly approaching despite all of the snow we keep receiving! Packets were mailed to 4-H’ers with completed re-enrollment/enrollment forms enrolled in the dog, horse, swine, goat and sheep projects the last week of March. If you have not received a project specific mailing, please contact the 4-H Office.

- All 4-H project additions, deletions and signed member enrollment/re-enrollment forms with payment are due to the 4-H Office May 1 to be eligible for Farm Fair participation.
- Early bird deadline for 4-H Camp registrations and reduced fees/scholarships are due May 1 to the 4-H Office.
- 4-H Horse ID cards are due May 1 to the 4-H Office. Every three years the ID cards are purged; so everyone must fill out new cards this year.
- 4-H Dog ID cards are due May 1 to the 4-H Office. Every three years the ID cards are purged; so everyone must fill out new cards this year.
- All 4-H animal lease agreements are due May 1 to the 4-H Office. The Maryland 4-H Breeding Animal Lease Program is available for the following species: Beef, Dairy, Sheep, Swine, Meat Goats & Dairy Goats. The Maryland 4-H Performance Animal Lease Program is available for the following species: Horses, Dogs, Alpacas, Llamas & Pack Goats. There is one additional form that is required to both lease programs that needs completion: the Maryland 4-H Animal Lease Program Statement of Understanding and Release.
- The Maryland 4-H Livestock Registration Form and ear tag fees are due May 1 to the 4-H Office. If you plan on showing market swine, sheep or goats and commercial meat goats or breeding sheep, you must fill out a livestock registration form and pay $2.00 per ear tag. Late fees of $10 per head are applied after May 1. The actual weighing and tagging dates are May 8-9, 6:00-8:00pm at the Equestrian Center.

4-H PROJECT BOOKS

Suggestions during a recent Volunteer Association meeting into the market animal project activity guides and record sheets used for Record Books was discussed. The 4-H Office will be purchasing new books through the Ohio State University to be used in our Record Books.

Due to our office move and consolidating files and years of accumulation, many 4-H families have taken advantage of free, outdated project books. Books are still available in the large training room of the Harford County Agricultural Center. Many new project areas have been added, so feel free to stop by and check out what is available.

Many old faithful series are no longer in print, like Six Easy Bites, so in an effort to re-stock our inventory, new project books will be purchased this spring.

THANKFUL FOR 4-H VOLUNTEERS

Too many folks to name; however, your actions to step up and volunteer are worthy of attention!

- Special thanks to the 4-H club leaders for judging Record Books this year.
- Special thanks to the Public Speaking Contest judges.
- Horse Bowl, Dog Skillathon, Poultry Judging and Livestock Skillathon coaches all are commended for their time teaching and setting up practices – a huge commitment!
- To all of the Winter Workshop teachers and lunch crew, a fabulous Saturday that 4-H’ers and friends look forward to each year.
- Easter Egg stuffers – even though there was snow on the ground, the annual hunt and breakfast were the biggest yet!
You're invited to an Applebee's® Flapjack Fundraiser Breakfast to support The Mad Scientists 4-H Club

$7.00 per person
$5.00 children under 12

**WHEN:** Saturday, September 22, 2018
8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

**WHERE:** Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar
1225 Churchville Road
Bel Air, MD 21015

**Walk-Ins Welcome.**

Please text or call Vicky Layman at 410-430-3855.
Thank you for supporting our club.

Valid only at participating restaurant listed above. Ticket valid for pancake event only. Applebee’s menu items are not included as part of purchase.
The **Livestock 4-H Club** made Valentine placemats for the residents of Jacobs Well Assisted Living. Club members also collected bags of food and warm clothing for Twice Blessed in Darlington.


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*If you require special assistance to participate, please call the Extension Office at (410) 638-3255 two weeks prior to the event.*
4-H Fair Schedule for 2018

Sunday - July 22

2:00-5:00  Indoor Exhibits & Booths entered
5:00-6:00  Judges Dinner------------------------------------Pavilion
5:00-8:00  Beef Heifers & Cow Calf pairs- arrival & check-in
6:00-8:00  4-H Livestock on grounds (EXCEPT SWINE & MARKET BEEF)

Monday - July 23

11:00-12:00  Sheep, & Goat weigh-in
12:00  Rabbits & Poultry on grounds
1:00  Dairy check-in
2:00  4-H English Horse Show--------------------------------Ring 3
5:00 or after English Show--Western Horse Show -----------------Ring 3
5:00  Beef Heifer Show----------------------------------------Livestock Show Ring
6:00  Fashion Revue---------------------------------------------Pavilion
8:00  Miss Harford County Farm Bureau Contest-------------------Pavilion
10:00  Beef Breeding animals released

Tuesday - July 24

11:00  Steer Weigh-in- steers on grounds by 11:00 a.m. for immediate weigh-in
2:00  Rabbit show----------------------------------------------Barnyard
3:00  Market goat show------------------------------------------Livestock show ring
5:00  Sheep Show or after goat show-----------------------------Livestock Show Ring

Wednesday - July 25

8:00 am  Poultry Show---------------------------------------------Barnyard
11:00  Swine weigh-in—must be on grounds anytime between 7:00am &10:00am
3:00  Archery Contest---------------------------------------------Ring 3
5:00  Steer show-----------------------------------------------Livestock Show Ring
5:00  Dog agility-----------------------------------------------Ring 2
Thursday—July 26

4:00  Swine show___________________________Livestock Show Ring

4:00  Small pets, Cat, & Cavy show_________________________Home Arts Tent

Friday—July 27

8:00  Dog show set-up________________________________Tent behind Barnyard

9:00  Dog show__________________________________________Tent behind Barnyard

9:00  Dairy show_________________________________________4-H Livestock show ring

1:00  Dairy goat show____________________________________4-H Livestock Show Ring

3:00  Tractor driving contest________________________________Ring 3

5:00  Clover parade________________________________________4-H Livestock Show Ring

6:00  Master showmanship___________________________________4-H Livestock Show Ring

Saturday—July 28

9:00am  Bicycle rodeo______________________________________4-H Livestock Show Ring

10:00  Lawn Mower contest_________________________________4-H Livestock Show ring

4:30  4-H Awards__________________________________________4-H Livestock Show Ring

5:00  Livestock auction______________________________________4-H Livestock Show Ring

10:00  animal released at conclusion of auction

Sunday—July 29

All day- clean-up barns & exhibit areas

10:00-12:00  4-H indoor exhibits released
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23rd Annual
Maryland 4-H Foundation

Sporting Clays Tournament
(50 Target Shoot)

BENEFIT: MD 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS PROGRAMS

Saturday, April 7, 2018

Schraders
16090 Oakland Road
Henderson, MD 21640

Awards Include:
3-4 Lewis Classes (Depending on number of shooters)
Ladies Awards  Youth Awards
Team Awards  Door Prizes

Registration Begins at: 9:00 a.m./ Shoot Begins at 9:30 a.m./
Last Shooter starts at: 11:30 A.M.
Pit Beef Lunch Served: 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Adults $70.00
Youth $50.00

For additional information or to register, contact
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