



Just a reminder, this publication is a forum for you, our 4-Hers, Clubs, and Volunteers! We encourage you to submit pictures and articles highlighting your activities, ideas, and outstanding accomplishments! To be included in our next issue, please email all submissions no later than 10/5/23 to Marylisa Schaedel at mschaede@umd.edu.

Mark your Calendars!!



4-H FALL FEST

Join us for a day of family fun and celebrate National 4-H Week!

Saturday, October 7, 2023

12-3 pm on the grounds of the Harford County Ag Center
3525 Conowingo Road Street, MD 21154

This event will be hosted by the Harford County 4-H Teen Council!

Games!

Treats and Cider

Crafts!

Barnyard!



4-H Marketplace

Children's Costume Contest!



All proceeds will benefit various Harford County community service projects!

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UPDATES FROM THE 4-H OFFICE



Happy Back to School! Congratulations to all of our 4-Hers who did such a fantastic job representing Harford County at the Maryland State Fair! ~Marylisa Schaedel

Record Book changes are complete! Visit our website to find the new, streamlined Summary Record and Title Page. 2023 forms are still acceptable if you keep them saved on your home computer! Also, be sure to check out our new e-Record Book category for Intermediates! This option will allow our 4-Hers aged 11-13 express their creative side by turning their record book into a slideshow or video presentation. Again, this is strictly optional! Traditional Record Books will **always** be accepted for all age groups! To read the new guidelines and to check out the forms, visit our website: <https://extension.umd.edu/locations/harford-county/local-4-h-youth-education/events-opportunities>



Record Books will be due on 2/5/24. We will be holding a Record Book Workshop on 10/9/23 at 7 pm for anyone new or needing a refresher! Historian Books will also be collected at this time to follow the calendar year. Interested clubs can leave books for judging on or before 2/5/24. If you have questions regarding the Historian Books, please contact Lynne DiBastiani ldibasti@umd.edu.



Save the Date! We will be hosting our Clover Craft Workshop on Saturday, October 28, 2023 at the Extension Office. Information will be coming soon! If you would like to volunteer to teach, please contact Marylisa mschaede@umd.edu. **This is also a great opportunity for our Intermediate and Senior 4-Hers to showcase their talents by teaching our clovers a new craft or life skill!**



Our Fall Reading Contest will begin on 9/12/23! This year our theme is **Read “fur” Fun!** Studies show how reading aloud builds vocabulary, reduces stress and strengthens fluency, so we encourage you to snuggle up with your favorite pet or farm animal and start reading! Full details and the reading log can be found on page 8 and 9. Be sure to snap a picture of reading to your favorite animal and send it our way before the contest ends! Questions? Please reach out to Marylisa mschaede@umd.edu.





Horse Happenings



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Equine Educational Series

Topics:

9/12—Colors, Markings & Breeds
9/26—Parts of the Horse
10/10—Western & English Tack, Bits & Care
10/24—Hay, Grain & Feed Stuff
11/7— Equine Pedicure
11/21—Which Way Do I Ride?

***Join Us! For Fun, Interactive and
Educational Sessions***

***Attend All or As Many Sessions Fit in Your
Schedule***

Dates: Sept 12, 26, Oct 10, 24, Nov 7 & 21

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Harford County Ag Center

To register use the Google Form link, Email Karen at kbtaylor@umd.edu or Call the office 410-638-3255

<https://forms.gle/6Q3FGMHBwfh2bsRP6>

4-H 101



Are you new to the 4-H Program? Would you like to learn more about 4-H? Join us for an interactive discussion about the nuts and bolts of the 4-H Program! We will review the enrollment process, the calendar year, explain what is required of a 4-Her and review all opportunities at the County and State level. Bring your questions! We hope to see you there!

When: Wednesday, September 20, 2023 7 pm

Where: Harford County Extension Office
(3525 Conowingo Rd Street, MD 21154)

RSVP to Marylisa Schaedel mschaede@umd.edu by 9/19/23.



Mark your calendars to join us for our first annual 4-H Town Hall! Bring your great ideas and suggestions for new programs and/or how to improve existing programs for our 4-Hers and Volunteers! This will be a relaxed, informal discussion-everyone is welcome to attend! Refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP by 9/20/23 to Marylisa mschaede@umd.edu or call 410-638-3255. We hope to see you there!



When: September 21, 2023, 7 pm

Where: Harford County Extension Office



Clubs are invited to join us at Steppingstone Museum for the Fall Harvest Festival September 23-24 from 11 am-4 pm. Please use this sign up genius if you plan to attend: [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4DAAAC29ABFBC61-club#/
/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4DAAAC29ABFBC61-club#/)

They welcome animals and promotion of 4-H clubs and activities! We will have a table set up each day of the Fall Harvest Festival to promote Harford County 4-H!

National 4-H Week!

October 1-7 2023

Be sure to wear your
4-H t-shirt!

Stop by the office to pick up a t-shirt if you did
not receive one at the Fair!



UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND EXTENSION 

VOLUNTEER AND TEEN FORUM

Light your Spark

November 4-5, 2023
The Holiday Inn on 65th Street in Ocean City
Who: 4-H members age 13-18,
4-H volunteers and professionals
Why: To support networking, connections
and learning for teen and adult leaders

Registration Checklist
Early Bird Registration Deadline: September 15, 2023 (11:59 pm EST) Registration Deadline (After 9/15/23):
October 1, 2023 (11:59pm EST) Registration Fees vary, please see Full Registration Information

- Early Bird Registration ends September 15th Full-Time Volunteer/Teen (early bird) Registration **\$110**
- Early Bird Saturday Only Volunteer/Teen Registration **\$90**
- Early Bird Youth Class Registration **\$50**
- Regular Registration ends October 1st Full-Time Volunteer/Teen Registration **\$130**
- Saturday Only Volunteer/Teen Registration **\$110**
- Youth Class Registration **\$75**

Registration fees do not cover any hotel reservations. If you wish to stay at the Forum Hotel, you will need to make your own reservation. A block of rooms has been held for Forum participants on November 3rd and 4th at \$89 a night. A reservation link can be found in the registration packet.

Register through 4-H Online <https://v2.4honline.com> by October 1st, 2023.

4-H Demonstration Day

Saturday, November 18, 2023



Are you working to complete a project for your Record Book but cannot fit in a demonstration at the Club level before Record Books are due? Here is your opportunity to complete the requirements for your project work and gain valuable practice presenting in front of a group of your fellow 4-Hers and their families! No prizes will be awarded, however all presenters will be given a small participation prize and a comment card.

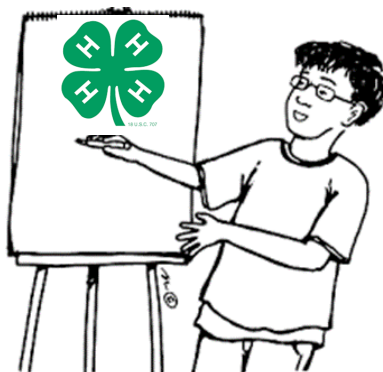
4-H Demonstration Definition: a presentation or speech which demonstrates mastery of knowledge in a specific project area.

If you would like to participate, please use the sign up genius link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4DAAAC29ABFBC61-4hdemonstration>

The schedule will reflect 30 minute sessions from 1 pm-4 pm. This should give ample time for set up and clean up. If you require use of the screens in the large conference room, please add a note to your sign up so we are sure to accommodate your presentation.

Questions? Call the office 410-638-3255 or email Marylisa mschaede@umd.edu

If you require any special assistance, please contact our office 2 weeks in advance.



Quantities are Limited! Order your Shirts Today!!

4- H T-Shirt Order Form

We are pleased to share our winning design featured below! Thanks to all who entered into our contest! Shirts will be available for purchase for \$15 each (2XL and 3XL, \$17 each). Mail or bring orders and payment to the Harford County 4-H Office 3525 Conowingo Rd. Suite 600, Street, MD 21154. Checks should be made payable to Harford County EAC.

All proceeds will benefit the Harford County 4-H Leaders and Volunteer Association.



Congratulations to Emily Troyer, a member of the Black Horse 4-H Club for creating the winning design (left). The design will be screen printed on to a kelly green cotton blend t shirt. Emily did a great job highlighting many popular 4-H projects! She will receive a free shirt for winning the contest! This shirt design is sure to appeal to many of our 4-Hers. Time is limited to order!

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please Indicate size and quantity:

___ Youth Small

___ Youth Medium

___ Adult Small

___ Adult Medium

___ Adult Large

___ Adult XL

___ Adult 2XL (+\$2)

___ Adult 3XL (+\$2)

Total Shirts Ordered: _____

Amount of Payment Enclosed: _____ Check Cash

Shirts can be picked up at the Extension Office, M-F 8 am—4:30 pm.

HELP WANTED!!

- ◆ **Camp Planning and 2023 Recap Meeting October 3, 2023 7pm at the Extension Office**
- ◆ **Camp Clean Up Saturday, November 18, 2023 10 am at the 4-H Camp**
- ◆ **Volunteers Needed for Fashion Revue! After many years of service, Margie Fielder will be stepping down as Fashion Revue Superintendent.
Thanks Margie for all of your support of the Program!
If you would like to help or inquire about the open Superintendent position, please call our office 410-638-3255.**
- ◆ **Do you have a sewing machine taking up space in your attic or garage that you do not have any use for? Please consider donating your working sewing machine to the Harford County 4-H Program! We are looking to begin a sewing machine sign out program to promote sewing and Fashion Revue!**



Looking Ahead...



Mark your Calendars!!

2023-24 Dates are Tentative and Subject to Change!

- October 7, 2023 4-H Fall Fest at the Grove
- October 28, 2023 Clover Craft Workshop at the Extension Office
- November 3-5 Volunteer and Teen Forum Ocean City, MD (Register using 4-H Online)
- November 8, 2023 Exploring New Projects Workshop at the Extension Office 7 pm
- November 18, 2023 Demonstration Day at the Extension Office, 1 pm
- December 15 Camp Counselor Applications Due (will post to website on 9/22)
- January 5, 2024 Meal Appeal Registration Due (Clubs and Individuals)
- February 5, 2024 Record Books and Historian Books are DUE!
- February 10, 2024 Meal Appeal 8 am– 1pm DCO (4-H Camp)
- March 2, 2024 Winter Workshop at the Extension Office
- April 14, 2024 Achievement Day 2 pm DCO (4-H Camp)

Looking WAY ahead.....July 20-27, 2024 Harford County Farm Fair

2023 4-H Fall Reading Contest

“Paws” for a Good Book and Read to your favorite animal friend “fur” Fun!



This Fall, we are encouraging all of our 4-Hers to read with their favorite pet or farm animal! Be sure to snap a picture and send it in with your reading log! To participate, keep the log of what books you have read on the provided form. Once you have reached your goal, stop by the 4-H Office for a special prize! The Reading Contest will run through December 21st. If you plan to participate, please RSVP by calling the 4-H office or email Marylisa Schaedel mschaede@umd.edu to ensure we have enough prizes!

Contest Rules:



Clovers (age 5-8) Read or read together with an adult 10 books

Juniors (age 8-10) Read 10 books

Intermediates (age 11-13) Read 5 age appropriate books

Seniors (14-18) Read 2 Chapter books



If you require special assistance to participate, please call the Extension Office (410-638-3255).

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4-H Fall Reading Contest

Log

Name: _____

Age: _____



Reading Contest Rules:

1. Please select books that are age appropriate. For example, Seniors are expected to read chapter books, Clovers, Juniors; short stories, and Intermediates; short stories or beginner chapter books. All selections should be grade level, appropriate length books, approved by a parent or guardian.
2. Please record the date you completed each book.
3. Once you have finished, please contact the 4-H Office to arrange a date and time to collect your prize!

Book Title	Date Completed
1	
2	Sr.
3	
4	
5	Int.
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	Jr./Clover



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Club Notes



The Blackhorse 4-H Club was well represented at this year's Maryland State Fair. Everyone worked hard and had lots of fun together. Many of our members did very well in showmanship, judging and with their animals. Some of our members were also dairy maids and helped with the Special Education Showmanship Challenge. We also had the champion booth. The best part of the fairs is getting to spend time with our 4-H friends. ~Submitted by Virginia Brooks, Reporter





Club Notes



The Blue Ribbon 4-H Club worked together to make their club banner at their June meeting. They were happy to win Reserve Champion at the Farm Fair and Champion at the State Fair. Monthly meetings resume September 10th. New members always welcome. ~Submitted by Club Leader Jane Burgess



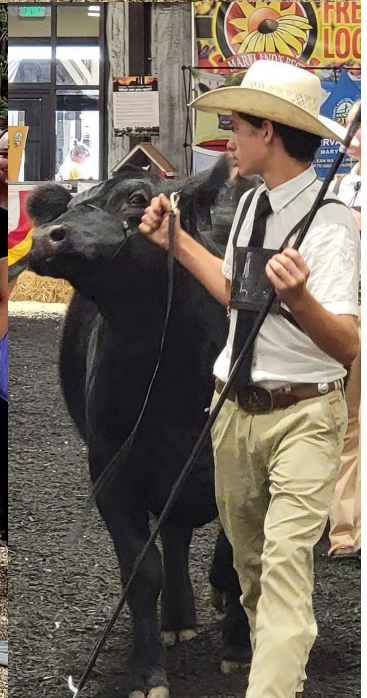
4-H Picture Pages



**Maryland
State Fair
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**Congratulations
to all of our
Harford
County 4-H
Exhibitors!!**



*Special thanks to
the Brooks Family
for providing the
pictures!*

September 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
					MD State Fair	
3	4  Office Closed for Labor Day	5	6	7  Record Book Workshop 7pm EO	8	9
					MD State Fair	
10 continued	11  Leaders' Association Meeting 7 pm EO	12  Horsing Around 7 pm EO	13  Teen Council Meeting 7 pm EO	14	15 Teen Club at DCO 7-10 pm (admission \$10 pp)	16
17	18	19	20 Camp Board Meeting DCO 6 pm  4-H 101 7 pm EO	21  4-H Town Hall Meeting 7 pm EO	22	23  Fall Harvest Festival Sat/Sun
24  Steppingstone Museum 11-4	25	26  Horsing Around 7 pm EO	27	28	29	30

October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
National 4-H Week 10/1-7						
		 Camp Planning/ Recap 7 pm EO				 4-H Fall Fest 12-3 pm Ag Center
8	 Record Book Workshop 7 pm EO	 Horsing Around EO 7pm	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	 Camp Board Meeting 6 pm DCO	19	Teen Club at DCO 7-10 pm (admission \$10 pp)	21
22	23	 Horsing Around 7 pm EO	25	26	27	 Clover Workshop EO Time TBD
29	30	 Happy Halloween!				



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(410-638-3255) two weeks prior to the event**

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We're hiring! SNAP-Ed is searching for a part time Program Assistant, willing to travel to schools throughout the county, supply shop and help with data entry. For details contact Charae Harris, charae@umd.edu

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