



# Cloverleaf Chronicle September 2021

Happy Back to School! It is hard to believe summer is over! Hopefully you have wonderful memories of Camp, Fairs, and vacations! Just a reminder, this publication is a forum for you, our 4-Hers, Clubs, and Volunteers! As we return to in person programming, don't forget 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 10/5/21 to Marylisa Schaedel at [mschaede@umd.edu](mailto:mschaede@umd.edu).

## Congratulations to All Participating at the State Fair!



The 10 Best Days of Summer drew to a close on 9/6. Harford County 4-H was well represented in Livestock, Equine, Dairy, Bicycle Contest, Indoor Exhibits, as well as Judging Teams, just to name a few! Be sure to check out pictures contributed by our 4-H members and families on pages 13-16!



Picture Courtesy of Bobbilyne Skidmore

Congratulations to our Harford County 4-H Horticulture Team! Club leader Joyce Browning was pleased to report each Team placed 1st overall! Individual placings for Juniors: 1st Erin Lyons, 2nd Ruthanne Yetter, 5th Adeline Skidmore, 6th Jason Widman; Intermediates: 1st Alexandria Carven, 2nd Naomi Dove, 3rd Josie Layman, 4th Christopher Ortt, 7th Roxie Jakubowski; Seniors: 2nd Maggie Layman, 5th James Ortt, 6th Ferah Seren, 7th Khan Seren. Best of Luck to Maggie Layman who will be participating at the National Virtual Horticulture Competition!



Picture courtesy of Kristin Grabowski

Congratulations to Harford County 4-Her Ava Grabowski and NHHS FFA & Harford County 4-Her Madison Kingsley; they were both selected to compete in the Master Showman Competition at the MD State Fair!



University programs, activities, and facilities are available to all without regard to race, color, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, marital status, age, national origin, political affiliation, physical or mental disability, religion, protected veteran status, genetic information, personal appearance, or any other legally protected class.

If you require special assistance, please contact the 4-H office 2 weeks prior to the event—410-638-3255



# UPDATES FROM THE 4-H OFFICE



UME's newly implemented Background Check Policy is in full swing! **Currently, we are up to the letter "S". If you are a returning volunteer and your last name begins with A-S and you have not received an invitation, please let us know as soon as possible.**



If you plan to chaperone or work with Camp, you will need to be fingerprinted and will not need to complete the online check. Instead you will be contacted by the State 4-H Office and given a code to use at your fingerprinting appointment. We realize this is a big change for all but rest assured it is being implemented for everyone's protection!



Any volunteer that has not re-enrolled in 4-H Online for 2021 must do so ASAP! If you are not enrolled or if your enrollment or screening are incomplete, please log onto 4-H Online: <https://v2.4honline.com>. Volunteers serving 5+ years will need to complete the Volunteer Refresher Training. If you are required to complete this online refresher, you will receive an email with the link from Marylisa. If you have any questions about your volunteer status or enrollment, please contact Marylisa at [mschaede@umd.edu](mailto:mschaede@umd.edu).



Just a reminder, the Club Annual Financial Summary Form and Annual Property Inventory Form are due to the office by 10/7! 990N filings are also due before 10/15. Use this link to access the online form: <https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/annual-electronic-filing-requirement-for-small-exempt-organizations-form-990-n-e-postcard>



Record Books will not be required to participate in the 2022 Harford County 4-H Farm Fair. However, Senior 4-Hers wishing to enter a portfolio to be considered for National 4-H Conference is strongly encouraged to do so by October 15th!



University of Maryland policy states that all County 4-H Programs must follow the guidelines of their local County School District. On August 16th, HCPS once again, required masks when indoors and on school buses. At this time, **masks will be required for all indoor 4-H meetings.** Please continue to use the updated attendance form. Remember to follow proper hand hygiene and cleaning procedures.



# Beyond the 4-H Pledge!!

Can I join more than one club??

Join us for a 4-H Q&A Session to explore project areas and learn about the 4-H program!

When is Winter Workshop?

What is Meal Appeal??

**This is open to All 4-H Families New and Returning!**

Bring a friend-we welcome visitors!

**How do I become a 4-H Volunteer??**

What is the Diamond Clover Program?

When: Thursday, September 30, 2021

7:00-8:30 pm

Harford County Extension Office

Can I go to 4-H CAMP??

**Public Speaking?**  
**How do I sign up?!**

Please RSVP to Marylisa by 9/28 at [mschaede@umd.edu](mailto:mschaede@umd.edu)

What is a Record Book?? Where do I get that green cover??





# 4-H Record Book and Portfolio Workshop



Join us for a Record Book and Portfolio Workshop for new members or 4-Hers seeking a refresher! Although Record Books will not be required to participate in the 2022 Fair, they will be **required for the 2022-23 4-H year**. Portfolios are **due to State by 10/15/21** for any Senior looking to be considered for the National 4-H Conference.

We will be covering step by step instructions on how to complete a Record Book and the Portfolio Process!

We hope to see you there!

When: Wednesday, October 6th at 7 pm

Where: The Harford County Extension Office

Please RSVP by 10/4 to Marylisa at [mschaede@umd.edu](mailto:mschaede@umd.edu) or call the office, 410-638-3255

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# Harford County 4-H Opportunities



## Dairy Bowl and Livestock Skillathon Information Meeting



Are you interested in learning more about Livestock and Dairy animals? **Join us for a Dairy Bowl and Livestock Skillathon Information Meeting on Friday, September 24th, 7 pm at the Extension Office!** We are looking for 4-Hers ages 8-18 to form Dairy Bowl and Livestock Skillathon Teams to compete at the State Contest! If you have any questions or would like to attend, please contact Tracy Brooks at [tlbrooks28@gmail.com](mailto:tlbrooks28@gmail.com) or Carrie Patrick at [carrie78patrick@gmail.com](mailto:carrie78patrick@gmail.com). We hope to see you there!

Deadline Extended to 9/15/21!



## STEM OPPORTUNITY!!

### *Harford County Environmental Wellness Watershed Education Series*

The Harford County Extension Office is very excited to offer this STEM series focusing on Watershed Wellness to our 4-Hers! In collaboration with our Family and Consumer Science Coordinator: Jennifer Dixon-Cravens, our Master Gardener Coordinator: Joyce Browning, UMD Sea Grant Extension Educator: Kelsey Brooks and our County 4-H Educators we have created an 8 session series to educate youth about Watershed Wellness and the importance of Environmental Health! Some of the topics covered will be how to test water quality, learning about invasive plants, planting and learning about native plants, how to create a rain garden, and the effects of pollution on the watershed..just to name a few! This will be a hands—on series, so be prepared to be outside and to get your hands dirty! Classes will begin in September at the Extension Office, typically in the evenings beginning at 7 pm. Spaces will be limited for this series so please RSVP by 9/15/21. To RSVP or if you would like more information, please email Marylisa at [mschaede@umd.edu](mailto:mschaede@umd.edu).





## Horse Happenings



### HARFORD COUNTY 4-H OPEN POKER RUN TRAIL RIDE



\$25 Adult Entry Fee

Non 4-H Youth (8-18) \$23

4-H Youth (8-18) \$20

Benefits the 4-H  
Youth Development  
Horse Educational  
Programs !



**Date: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2021 (Rain Date 10/2)**

**Time: First Group Starts at 9:30 am; 10 minute launch.**

**Last team start time is 1:00 pm.**

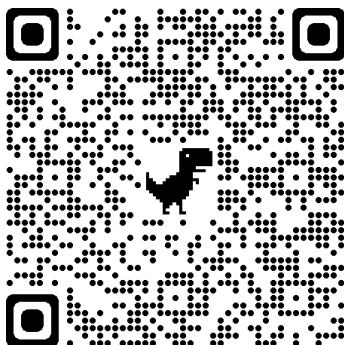
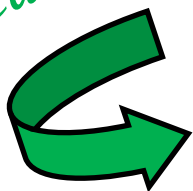
**Place: Sweet Air Park Area of Gunpowder State Park**

**2840 Dalton Bevard Road Baldwin, MD**

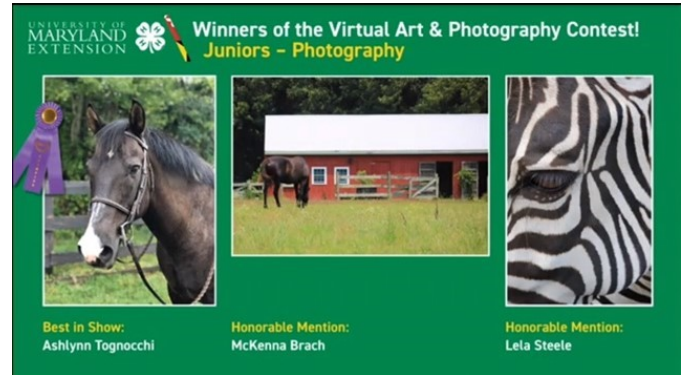
**Please note the new 2021 Format: This is a Poker Trail Ride, not the typical Judged Pleasure Ride. Maximum of 7 Riders per Group. Youth must have an adult in their group. Only ONLINE registration will be accepted (no paper forms). Prizes will be awarded in multiple divisions. Awards are based on winning hands, no judged skills involved!**

Visit <http://extension.umd.edu> for waiver and forms. To register, visit <http://2021harford4hpokerrun.eventbrite.com/?=136950863>

Scan Me!



The results from the MD Equine Virtual Art and Photography Contest have been posted to YouTube! Check it out at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y1upigRx9yE>. Congratulations to Harford County 4-Hers Rachel Boin and Ashlynn Tognocchi!



The 2021 Fall Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Campaign is scheduled for October 6-17. Be sure to support your local store to benefit our 4-H Program.



# SAVE THE DATE!

## National 4-H Week is October 3-9, 2021! Don't forget to wear your 4-H T-shirt!!

# State 4-H Opportunities!



The 2021 4-H STEM Challenge is now available! This edition, *Galactic Quest*, focuses on mysteries and adventures of space exploration! Each kit contains 4 exciting activities that can be completed all at once or individually. For more information visit: <https://4-h.org/parents/4-h-stem-challenge/>.

## Upcoming Shooting Sports Events:

State Rifle Match, 9/18/21 (Marriottsville)

State Archery Match, 9/25/21 (Carroll County Ag Center)

State Archery Instructor Training 10/16/21 (Carroll County Ag Center)

State Shotgun Match (PG Trap and Skeet)

All registrations will be through 4-H Online. Participation will require Educator Approval.



## Leadership Opportunities



MD 4-H Senior Portfolio Process for National 4-H Conference will be open from 9/15-10/15. For more information, please visit: <https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development/program-areas/youth-and-adult-leadership>

Registration details will be coming soon!

The MD 4-H State Council General Membership Application process will be open 9/15-11/15. For information, resources and the promotional video, visit: <https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development/program-areas/youth-and-adult-leadership>

# Community Service Opportunity!



Calling all Clubs looking for a Community Service Project! Harford Family House, located in Aberdeen Maryland is always grateful for donations of cleaning supplies and new or gently used household items. Currently, they are serving 50 families. As they are happy to receive any donations, at this time, **their immediate needs are kitchen size trash bags and pots and pans**. If you would like to donate, please visit their website for hours of operation: <https://harfordfamilyhouse.org>

Here is a list of needed items, all items must be new unless specified otherwise.

- **Floor mops (please no Dollar Tree items)\***
- **Large laundry baskets\***
- **Toothbrush holders\***
- **Aluminum foil (please no club/bulk sizes - multipacks are ok)\***
- **Plastic/Saran wrap (please no club/bulk sizes - multipacks are ok)\***
- **Kitchen dish drying racks - new or gently used\***
- Swiffer wet mop pads OR reusable wet pads (preferred - see Amazon link below)
- Toilet brushes with holders
- Small bathroom trash cans
- Standard crib sheets
- Body &/or hand lotion
- Sunscreen (SPF 30 or higher)
- Personal insect repellent/bug spray
- Sidewalk Chalk
- Facial moisturizers
- Bath towels, wash cloths, & bath rugs/mats
- Indoor brooms
- Kitchen towels, potholders, & oven mitts
- Kitchen trash cans with lids
- Kitchen cutting boards - new or gently used
- Can openers - new or gently used

(\* **bold text indicates high priority/greatly needed items**)

**Please note they do not accept clothing, shoes, outerwear, beddings, towels or linens, used toys, books, travel size items, TV's, DVD's or electronics, pull out or sectional sofas, recliners, knick-knacks, mirrors, candles, mugs, or recalled items.**

*A Special Message from Cloverettes and Friends  
4-H Club:*

Attention 4-H Families,

I am sorry to inform you that we lost both Charles and Donna Burman a few months ago. This dedicated couple was actively involved in the 4-H Program for over 40 years. I am helping the Cloverettes and Friends 4-H Club solicit donations to purchase a bench in their memory. A memorial plaque will be adhered to the bench signifying it is in their memory from the Cloverettes and "MANY" Friends! Elke will be providing information on the previously purchased fairground benches. A permanent location will be determined at either the Fairgrounds or the Extension Office. Cash or checks may be directed to Ruth Ann Robinson or Jan Stewart. Please make checks payable to the Cloverettes and Friends 4-H Club. We appreciate your memorial support for all that this couple provided for the Harford County 4-H.

From: Ruth Ann Robinson (former Leader of Cloverettes and Friends) and the members and leaders of the Cloverettes and Friends 4-H Club.

Checks can be mailed to Jan Stewart (leader of Cloverettes and Friends) 1529 Ridge Road, Whiteford, MD 21160





# Club Notes



As a new monthly feature, we will be including pictures and reports from our 4-H Clubs to highlight an activity, event, or a 4-Her! If you would like your club featured in our September edition, please submit your information by 10/5/21 to Marylisa at [mschaede@umd.edu](mailto:mschaede@umd.edu).

Here are a few pictures of Maddi and Olivia Thomas, members of the Black Horse 4-H Club, from the 2021 Farm Fair with their swine projects. Photos submitted by their Mom and 4-H Volunteer, Jennifer Thomas.



Olivia with her market pig, Sir Hams A Lot! She set a new record for highest bid at the 2021 Auction.



Pigs on the move at the County Fair!!



Maddi with her market pig, Augustus.



Maddi showing the pigs to the next generation of 4-Hers!



SMILE!!



Maddi and Olivia pictured with Maddi's buyer, Harford Retirement Planners.



*Horse Clinic*



*2021*





Gage and Brody Sather with their Border Leicester Sheep.



Abbie Patrick showing her lamb at the State Fair.



Presley Sears at the State Fair.

# M D S T A T E F A I R



Madison Hedges-Bailey at the Beef Show.



Everett Brooks at the Beef Show.



Genevieve Joy competing in the Bicycle Contest.



Senior Horticulture Team Members with MD State 4-H Program Leader, Dr. Nia Fields



Georgia Clisham getting ready for the Beef Show!



Isabella and Shane Smithson showing her Cow/Calf at the Beef Show.



Jordyn Sears at the MD State Fair Horse Show.



Emily Troyer showing at the Beef Show.



Long Day!!!



Peyton Sears at the Maryland State Fair Horse Show.



Emmalyn Hindle and Jaime-lyn Widman holding their ribbons from the Poultry Judging Contest!



Kloe Patrick at the Beef Show.



Participants of the 2021 MD State Fair 4-H Livestock Auction including Harford County 4-Hers Jeffrey Widman and Ava Grabowski.



James Ortt participating in the Large Tractor Contest.



Ava Grabowski with her Grand Champion Buck.



Great Job at the Bicycle Contest!



Champion Doe Drive. Pictured above Harford County 4-Hers Jaime-lyn Widman and Ava Grabowski.

# September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
			MD State Fair			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
MD State Fair						
	Labor Day- Office Closed					
12	13 Leaders Association Meeting 7 pm  Indoor Sup't Meeting 7 pm	14	15 Portfolio Process begins for Nat'l Conference  Applications begin for MD 4-H State Council Membership  Deadline to RSVP for Watershed Wellness Series	16	17	18
					National 4-H STEM	
19	20	21	22	23	24 Livestock Skillathon/ Dairy Bowl Info Night 7pm	25 4-H Open Pleasure Poker Run & Trail Ride 9:30am- 1:30 pm
Summit						
26	27	28	29	30 4-H Q&A Session 7pm Ext. Office  Diamond Clover Proposals Due		

# October 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Rain Date for Poker Run Trail Ride
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
National 4-H Week						
		Session #1 Watershed Wellness Series 7pm	Record Book Workshop 7 pm			
TSC PAPER CLOVER CAMPAIGN 10/6-17						
10	11	12	13	14	15 Portfolios Due (to be consid- ered for Nat'l Conference)	16
TSC PAPER CLOVER CAMPAIGN						
17	18	19 Session #2 Watershed Wellness Series 7pm	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						