

### Cloverleaf Chronicle December 2021



#### Happy Holidays and Warm Wishes for the New Year!

Just a reminder, this publication is a forum for <u>you</u>, 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 1/5/22 to Marylisa Schaedel at mschaede@umd.edu.



### MILITARY MAIL



The Harford County 4-H collected a grand total of 654 cards for the Military Mail Holiday card program. Cards are distributed to Servicemen and women on active duty both here and abroad. Special thanks to the following clubs for participating: the Dog Club, Pioneers, Cloverettes and Friends, Black Horse, Livestock, Blue Ribbon, Paws and Claws, Super Clover Kids, Clover Life, and Deer Creek Teens.

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#### **UPDATES FROM THE 4-H OFFICE**





**Change of Date:** Due to a show conflict, Steer Tagging and Weigh In will be held on <u>1/15/22</u> with a snow date of 1/22/22. Tagging Registration and payment is due to the Extension Office by 1/3/22. Packets were mailed the week of 11/22, please contact the office if you did not receive your paperwork!



Mark your calendars!! The Harford County Farm Fair dates will be July 20-30, 2022. This will be a 10 day Fair with a different format to accommodate the requests of our 4-H families. The Livestock Shows will be held July 20-22. The Fair will be open to the public during the shows and parking will be allowed on the grounds. The Livestock Sale will be held on Saturday, July 23rd. Indoor Entries, 4-H Contests such as Archery, the Dog Show, Small Pets, the Bicycle Rodeo and others will be held during the second week, starting on July 24th. Stay tuned for a more specific calendar!



Record Books <u>will not be required</u> to participate in the 2022 Harford County 4-H Farm Fair. If any 4-Her would like to complete a record book for 2021 and turn it in for judging, we will be collecting books now through February 7th. Record book forms can be found here under the events tab: <a href="https://extension.umd.edu/locations/harford-county/local-4-h-youth-education">https://extension.umd.edu/locations/harford-county/local-4-h-youth-education</a>



The Youth Mental Health First Aid Course has been rescheduled for Saturday February 5, 2022 from 8 am to 5 pm. Please contact Dwayne Murphy dmurphy 2@umd.edu if you would like to attend.



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 announced masks are required when indoors and on school buses. At this time, <u>masks will be required for all indoor 4-H meetings.</u> Please continue to use the updated attendance form. Remember to follow proper hand hygiene, social distancing, and cleaning procedures.





























#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

2022 Camp Dates:
Junior Camp-June 22-28
Clover Camp-June 29-July 1
Intermediate Camp-July 6-12







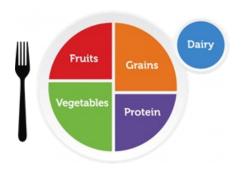
#### Winter Workshop Instructors Needed!

We are excited to be offering <u>Winter Workshop in person</u> on 1/29/22! We are looking for instructors to teach at this popular event! If you are interested in teaching a class or if you have questions, please contact Marylisa <u>mschaede@umd.edu</u>. Senior 4-Hers are encouraged to participate! To teach a class, please complete the **form on page 19** and return it to our office by 12/30/21.

Winter Workshop will be held on Saturday, January 29 at the DCO building at Camp.

Registration forms will be sent in early January!

This county-wide activity is open to all youth of Harford County between the ages of <u>8-14</u>. This is a great opportunity for you to learn about your favorite 4-H project, develop a new skill, complete a project that you can take home and just have fun! All 4-H club members are encouraged to attend. You do not have to be in 4-H to attend, so bring a friend!



Start planning your Menu! Meal Appeal will be held on April 30th at DCO Building (4-H Camp). For more information, please visit our website:

https://extension.umd.edu/locations/ harford-county/local-4-h-youtheducation/events-opportunities. Click on Events to find the rules, hints, and table setting information!





Are you new to the 4-H Program or new to Volunteering? Are you considering becoming a volunteer and would like to learn more about the process. Have questions? Be sure to join us for a Q&A for New Volunteers! Returning Volunteers and graduating senior 4-Hers wishing to learn more about volunteering are welcome to attend! Join us on January 20, 2022, 7 pm at the Extension Office. RSVP to Marylisa at <a href="mailto:mschaede@umd.edu">mschaede@umd.edu</a> if you would like to attend!

The 4-H Reading Contest will end on 12/21/21. There is still time to sign up if you would like to participate! RSVP to Marylisa <a href="mailto:mschaede@umd.edu">mschaede@umd.edu</a> to ensure we have enough prizes for all participants! The reading log can be found on page 20 of this newsletter.



4-H Online will be closed beginning December 1st. Once the system rolls over and opens for 2022, an announcement will be sent out for families to re-enroll for 2022!



### SAVE THE DATE!



Officers Training will be held on two dates in 2022! We encourage all clubs to share this information with new and returning Officers!

Thursday, February 3 at 6:30 pm

Saturday, February 12 at 1:30 pm

Both trainings will be held at the Extension Office. Please RSVP to (mschaede@umd.edu) or call 410-638-3255 Be sure to include your position to ensure we have enough materials for all attendees.



### Horse Happenings







# Congratulations Angelynn Wiggins!

Angelynn, a senior member of the Easy Riders 4-H Club, travelled to Kentucky with her Coach, Lisa Fulco. Great job representing Maryland at the Round Up!

Picture provided by Lisa Fulco



Congratulations to the Newly Inducted Harford County 4-H All Stars!

Back Row (L-R) Rebecca Burgess, Joseph Burgess and Jacob Barben

Seated (L-R) Jan Stewart, Sarah Fielder and Andrew Wood





#### Aerospace/Rocketry Workshop

#### Friday, January 21 6:30-8:30 pm

If you are interested in rockets and space exploration, this workshop is for you! Come build a model rocket and learn about the basic forces at work during flight. Each participant will be provided with a model rocket kit for beginner to intermediate skill levels. Rockets will be built on January 21st and launched at the end of Winter Workshop (1/29) weather permitting. \$5.00 per participant (covers model rocket kit). To register, call 410-638-3255 by 1/7/22. Class size limited to 15, open to ages 5-18. (Clover members will need a parent to assist).

Do you like telling stories? Would you like to create your own computer animated story? Come and learn how to use Scratch computer programming to create your own stories. This course is designed for those who are just getting started in coding to learn the basics using easy to use block coding. The course will run for 9 weeks with 5 in-person lessons and 4 virtual meetings. Class size will be limited to 14 participants. Please call 410-638-3255 to register by 1/4/22.

In-person lessons will be held from 7 - 8:30 at the Harford County 4-H office on:

1/11, 1/25, 2/8, 2/22, 3/8

Virtual meetings will be held from 7 – 8 on:

1/18, 2/1, 2/15, 3/1



### Computer Science and Coding Classes

## Teen Mentoring Opportunity!



We are looking for 2 – 3 teens interested in assisting with computer coding classes. This class will use Scratch programming to teach beginning coding concepts. Prior experience with Scratch programming is helpful but not necessary. The course will run for 9 weeks with 5 in-person lessons and 4 virtual meetings. Teen mentors will have a training meeting on 12/21/21 at 7 PM. For more information or to sign up for this opportunity email Dwayne Murphy dmurphy2@umd.edu.

In-person lessons will be held from 7 – 8:30 at the Harford County 4-H office on:

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## 4-H Gingerbread House 4 Decorated Cookie Photo Contest



Be sure to snap a picture of your favorite sweet creation to enter into our Gingerbread House and/or Decorated Cookie Photo Contest! Entries will be accepted now through January 7, 2022.

Prizes will be awarded!

To enter, send your picture to Marylisa Schaedel at <a href="mailto:mschaede@umd.edu">mschaede@umd.edu</a>.



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# 4-H School's Out School Day

Theme: Fun with Energy / Magnets

When: Monday, January 17, 2022

Hours: 8 am - 4 pm

Who: Youth ages 8 - 12

What: A day filled with fun, hands-on science and engineering activities focused on energy, electricity, and magnetism led

by Harford County 4-H educators

Where: Harford County Extension Office

3525 Conowingo Rd

Street, MD 21154

Lunch is included

To register contact the Harford County 4-H office at 410-638-3255. Space is limited to the first 15 registered participants.





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If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in any event or activity, please contact your local University of Maryland Extension Office.

## & 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 January edition, please submit your information by 1/5/22 to Marylisa at <a href="mailto:mschaede@umd.edu">mschaede@umd.edu</a>.

The Blue Ribbon 4-H Club enjoyed pizza together while signing Military Mail. After pizza, they went to Redners for a Grocery Store Challenge. Each team was given \$30 to purchase non perishable food that they donated to Mason Dixon Community Services.

~Write Up and Pictures submitted by Jane Burgess











# & club Notes &





This November, the 4-H Clover Community Club gathered to fill bags of supplies for the homeless. Many volunteers brought items such as gloves, socks, hand warmers, flashlights, water, toothbrushes and more. Together we set the items out on a table and walked around putting even proportions in bags. Each member filled more than one bag, and at a later date, we plan to donate them to the Welcome One Emergency Shelter in Edgewood.

~ Ava Hughes, Reporter







## \* Club Notes \*

The Super Clover Kids made holiday wreaths and collected items for a local animal rescue, Fairy Tails Rescue. They held a brief business meeting to share old and new business. Harper Rutledge (pictured below) shared her State Champion Speech! ~Write Up and Pictures shared by Heather Tognocchi





















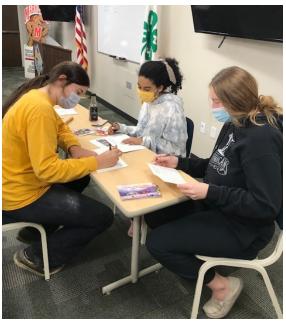


# # Club Notes #



The 4-H Livestock Club met to sign cards for Military Mail. They have adopted a local family for Christmas. They are collecting the requested items and wrapping all of the gifts together on December 6th.









We are very excited to be offering in person programming once again! Be sure to check the calendar and follow us on Facebook for upcoming events, activities, and workshops!

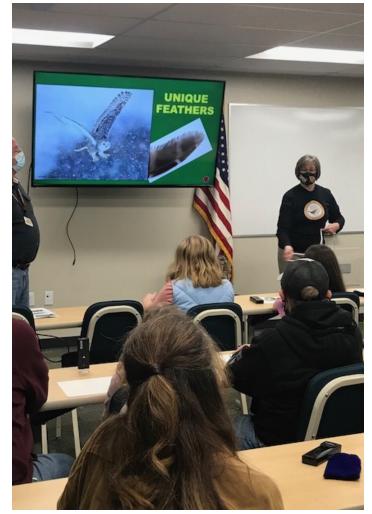




Greg and Mary Murray taught our *Whooo's In Your Backyard Lesson*. Our 4-Hers learned about all of the amazing traits of owls and even dissected an owl pellet!



Mrs. Murray assisting Beth with an unusual find, an intact rat skull! Adeline is busy searching her pellet for bones!





Jaime-lyn carefully compares the bones to the key to find out what was in the owl's last meal!

Our Watershed Wellness Series began in September with three introductory sessions. This collaboration is being taught by Jennifer Dixon-Cravens, Joyce Browning, Kelsey Brooks, Dwayne Murphy and Marylisa Schaedel. Sessions will start again in the Spring and we welcome new participants!



Learning how runoff from cars, factories and snow removal affects our watershed.



Adding the rain with spray bottles to watch the pollutants move!



Water Cycle Charades!



We recently had five 4-Hers join us for a STEM School's Out Day! The participants learned all about yeast from making elephant toothpaste to making bread in a bag! They also had a great time with film canister rockets, bristle- bots and making boats to float...just to name a few activities!









We were joined by Master Gardener Volunteer, Ellen Tacie, for our Feathered Friends Workshop! Mrs. Tacie taught them about birds in their backyard and they also made a bird fact bookmark.



Mrs. Tacie helping with make the bookmarks.



They did a great job!!



Everyone made bird feeders to take home.



Sticky Situation!





Adeline with her feeder hanging at her farm! She is ready for the birds to stop by for a snack!

# December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
KEY  EO: Extension Office  DCO: Deer Creek Overlook (Camp)			1 4-H Online Enrollment Closes for 2021	2 Horse Council Meeting 7 pm EO	3	4
Submissions to the Cloverleaf Chronicle due TODAY!	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Camp Board Meeting 7 pm DCO	16	17	18
19	20	21 Reading Contest Logs Due!  Teen Mentoring Training 7 pm EO	22	23	Office Closed Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day
26	27	28	29	Winter Workshop Instructor Forms Due	31 Office Closed	

# January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Don't					1 Happy New Year!
2	Market Steer Paperwork Due Leaders Associ- ation Meeting 7 pm EO	4	Submissions to the Cloverleaf Chronicle due TODAY!	Horse Council Meeting 7 pm EO	Gingerbread/ Decorated Cookie Photos Due!	8
9	10	Computer Science/ Coding Class 7 pm EO	New Volunteer Q&A Session 7pm EO	13	14	Steer Tag- ging/Weigh In Equestrian Center
16	17 Schools Out Fun Day 8-4  MARTIN LUTHER KING JR  Day	Computer Science/ Coding VIRTUAL Class 7 pm	Camp Board Meeting 7 pm DCO	20	Aerospace/ Rocketry Workshop 6:30 pm EO	Snow Date for Steer Tagging/Weigh In
23	24	Computer Science/ Coding Class 7 pm EO	26	27	Virtual 4-H Gala 6 pm	Winter Workshop DCO
30	31					



#### Winter Workshop Instructors Needed! Saturday, January 29, 2022 at Deer Creek Overlook (4-H Camp)

#### **Volunteer Instructor Registration Form Due by 12/30/21**

Instructor(s) Name(s):			
Email Address:	Phone:		
If you are a 4-H Youth teaching classes:		lt volunteer that will be present durin	ıg your
Class Title:			
Are you willing to teach more t	han one session? YN		
Which session do you prefer?	10 am (Session 1)	11 am (Session 2)	
	12:30 pm (Session 3)	1:30 pm (Session 4)	
Please provide a brief descripti			
If you need to limit the size of for each session:	your class, please indicate	how many participants you can accon	nmodate
Please return this sheet by Thursd Harford County 4-H Office, 3525 C	* *	e scan to Marylisa, <u>mschaede@umd.edu</u> o et, MD 21154.	r mail to
		lable at the Extension Office or at the Win or all four classes including lunch. You a	
	Thank You!		

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

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#### Reading Contest Rules:

- 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.
- Please record the date you completed each book.
- Once you have finished, please contact the 4-H Office to arrange a date and time to collect your prize!

<b>Book Title</b>	<b>Date Completed</b>
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