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Frederick County 4-H Newsletter

December 2021—January 2022

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*Wishing our 4-H families
a Peaceful Holiday Season,
and a Joyous New Year!*



Cheers to you all! - Donielle, Sara, Jennie and Erin

**UME Frederick County
Office will be CLOSED:
December 23 and 24
December 27, 30, 31
January 17, 2022**

Our office will continue to be open to individuals by appointment only through April 4, 2022 as announced by Frederick County on 12/16/2021.

Frederick County 4-H youth, volunteers and staff had a festively fun time in the Kris Kringle parade on Friday, December 10!



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Frederick County 4-H Camp!

Back in person for 2022!!

Save the dates:

4-H Day Camp: **July 11—15, 2022**

4-H Resident Camp: **July 18—22, 2022**



4-H Camp registration opening soon via 4-HOnline!

Watch for communication coming in January 2022 with all the details.

Frederick County 4-H Teen Leader Opportunity!

Applications due by January 14, 2022 (new date)

Apply at <https://go.umd.edu/TeenLeader2022>

- Anyone ages 14-18 are welcome! (4-H involvement is not required)
- Teen Leaders receive 30 hours of training prior to the start of camp, offered by the Frederick County 4-H Office.
- Teen Leaders work the following weeks:
 - 4-H Day Camp: **July 11-15, 2022**
 - 4-H Residential Camp: **July 18-22, 2022** (arrive at 7:45 pm on July 18 and depart at 7:00pm on July 22)
- Interviews will be held on **January 29, 2022**
 - all applicants must complete an interview to be considered for a Teen Leader Position.



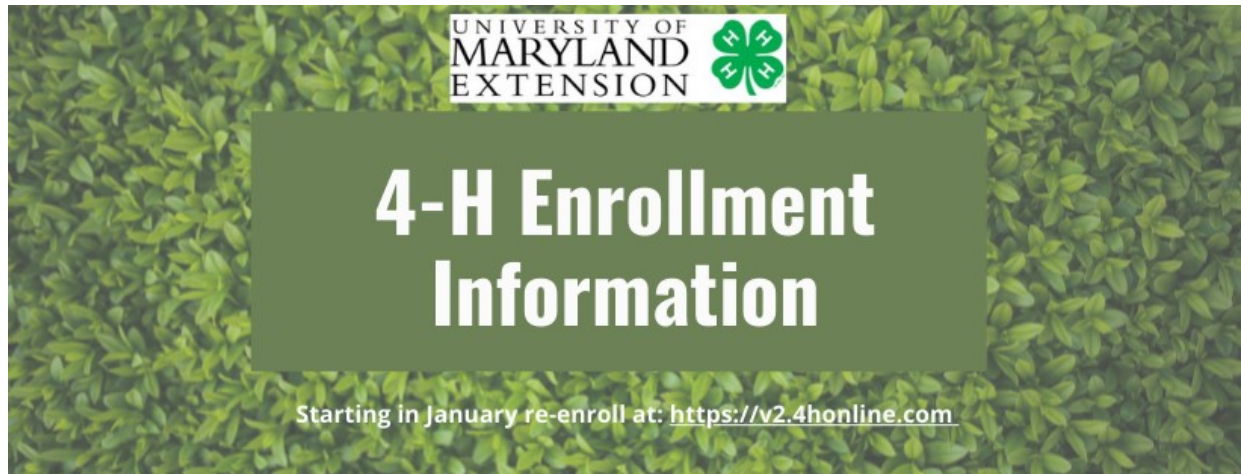
GREAT opportunity for Teen Leaders to:

- Develop leadership skills
- Gain experience working with children
- Earn 100 volunteer hours
- Build your resume
- Have FUN!



Don't wait.... APPLY TODAY!!

Questions? Contact Sara Goodman at sarnold2@umd.edu



January begins re-enrollment time in 4-HOnline for 2022!!

- **ALL returning 4-H youth and Volunteer members MUST enroll each year through 4-HOnline by February 28, 2022!**
- Watch for email announcement for the opening date of enrollment along with details.
- Youth pay a \$10.00 annual enrollment fee online via credit card which is processed after your enrollment is approved by the county 4-H office. (NO fee for volunteers or more than 3 children in a family)
- Submitted enrollments will receive 2 emails; first notification that enrollment has been received and second notification that the enrollment has been approved at the county 4-H office.
- Every year, youth projects and volunteer type and roles must be re-entered.
- ALL Certified Volunteers will be receiving a post card in the mail the first week of January with their Volunteer Type and Role to help with enrollment.
- The Maryland 4-H Behavioral Expectations, MD 4-H Disciplinary Policy and Procedures and Photo/Media Release are part of the online process and are signed electronically.
- To enroll in 4-HOnline, you need to use Firefox, Chrome or Safari web browsers. 4-HOnline is not supported by Internet Explorer.
- In person enrollment will be available every Saturday in February (5,12,19,26) from 1:00pm—3:00pm. Computers will be set up for your use and a staff member will be available to assist you. Details and a sign up will be emailed out in January.

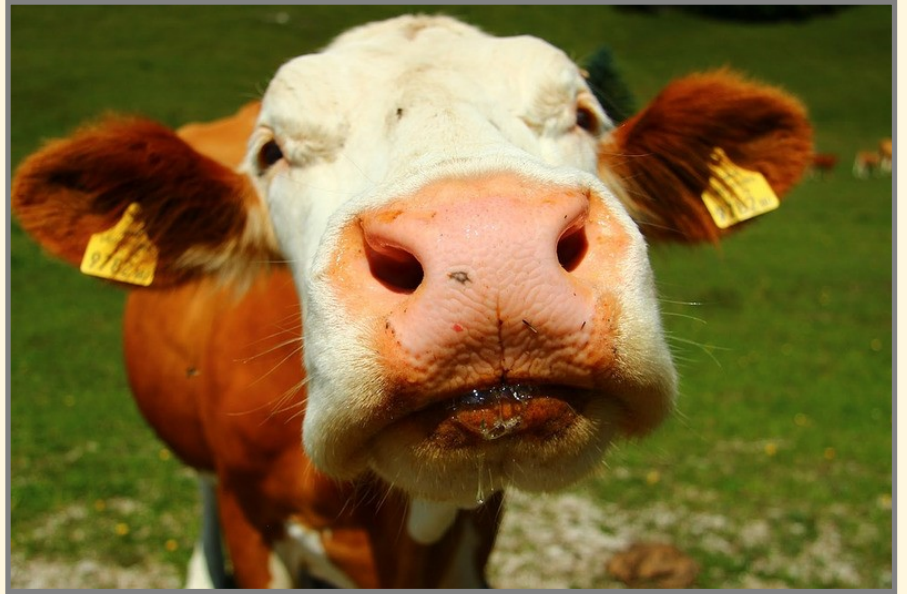


Beef Exhibitors Updates

IMPORTANT Please read carefully as changes have occurred for 2022.

Maryland State Fair has announced this year, they will accept livestock tags from both Maryland 4-H and the Great Frederick Fair (GFF).

Maryland State Fair 4-H exhibitors will still need to meet 4-H enrollment and eligibility requirements (additional details will be forthcoming from MD 4-H).



Weigh in information for Great Frederick Fair and MD State Fair:

To meet the needs of 4-H families, Frederick 4-H members will have two options for tagging and weighing steers to be eligible for the 2022 Maryland State Fair.

- **Option 1:** Frederick 4-H will host a tagging day on January 15th from 9 - Noon. **Registration forms are required by Dec 28, 2021 to the Extension Office.**
- **Option 2:** The GFF has also communicated their tagging information for January 8th from 8am - 1pm which can be found at www.gffair.com/livestockregistration or by calling a GFF Beef Superintendent Marky Butler at 240-285-0476 or Brenda Seiss at 301-401-0358.
- **Please Be Aware:** A tag from both is not required for the 2021 Maryland State Fair. However, a GFF tag is required to show/sale at the GFF in 2022.

The Frederick County 4-H office will be available to answer any questions and provide additional details after winter break beginning Monday, January 3, 2022 as many staff in the office are off for the holidays.

BREEDING FEMALES:

Purebreds - Are to be registered solely in the name of the 4-H member. Some breed registries are changing their policies as of Jan 1 and will not be "back dating" papers any longer. Even if your animal is Bred & Owned be sure to get your papers processed prior to the 4-H Ownership Guidelines for Breeding Females by July 1, 2022.

Commercial Females (Not Papered) - These females are to be tagged at the "Steer Weigh In" with a commercial female tag. Your registration paper serves as your ownership paperwork.

Questions? Email Donielle Axline at dinskeep@umd.edu and she will reply on/after January 3, 2022.



It is Horse Bowl Time!

Join us in the fun!!

On Wednesday **January 12th**, at **6:30 p.m.**, we will have an informational meeting, practice and pizza party. The meeting will be at the home of the Yinglings, 10209 Fountain School Road, Union Bridge.

What is Horse Bowl? It is a competition like “Jeopardy” except all of the questions are about horses. We have weekly practices from January until March. In March, we will go to the University of Maryland in College Park and compete against teams from other Maryland counties.

Frederick County will have 3 teams:

- Juniors (8-10 year olds)
- Intermediates (11-13 year olds)
- Seniors (14-18 year olds)



If you have any questions, please contact Christy Yingling at 240-405-2208 (cell/text) or christy@gvalleye.com

Livestock Skillathon Practices Start In January!

Join the skillathon team to learn about Beef, Sheep, Market Goats & Swine.

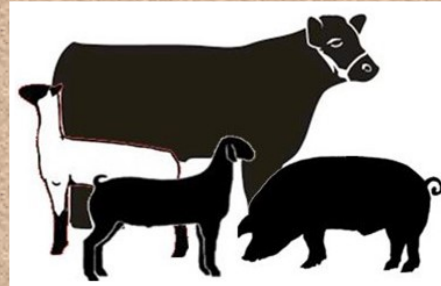
The Livestock Skillathon team meets weekly in January and February to learn about:

- Feeds
- Equipment
- Breeds
- Medicines & Disease
- Meats
- and more.

Participants DO NOT need to carry an animal project.

In March Maryland 4-H hosts a state contest in which all participants can compete.

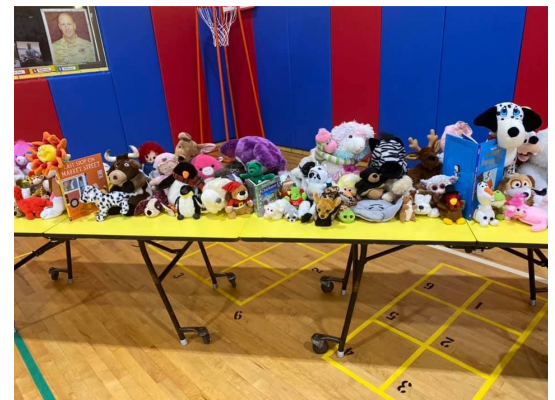
To sign up call Ms Jennie at 301-600-1589 or email the 4-H Office at schiazzi@umd.edu



Share A Bear Drive A Success!

Thank you Frederick County 4-H families for collecting over 200 stuffed animals for the Baltimore School Partnership!

Students participated in an “adopt a book buddy” event where the kids picked a stuffed animal, received an adoption certificate, received a book and did other fun and educational activities focused around literacy.



Frederick County 4-H was well represented at the 2021 Maryland State 4H / FFA Poultry & Egg Contest.

On Sept 4th, members from Frederick County traveled to the Maryland State Fair and competed in the Maryland State Poultry & Egg Contest. The contest consisted of judging & placing classes of live White Leghorn Production hens, giving reasons, judging eggs on interior, exterior, and broken out qualities, judging market poultry, and a parts id class.



In photo from left to right: coach **Dave Crum**, **Zach C.**, **Leon C.**, **Franklin T.**, **Mason S.**, **Landon S.**, **Dalena B.**, and coach **Ray Martin IV**.

- ◇ Judging in the junior division we had **Landon S.** placing 3rd overall.
- ◇ Judging in the intermediate division we had **Mason S.** placing 2nd overall.
- ◇ The senior team consisted of **Dalena B.** placing 4th overall, **Leon C.** placing 5th overall, **Zach C.** placing 3rd overall, and **Franklin T.** placing 6th overall.
- ◇ The senior team placed 1st overall in the contest.
- ◇ Congratulations to **Dalena B.** and **Zach C.** for the opportunity to represent Maryland at the National Poultry & Egg Contest held in Louisville, Kentucky.

All those that judged did a great job and I appreciate each one judging this year.

Thank you to:

- The parents for the time that they put into getting the children to the practices.
- Ray Martin IV and his family for their time and for providing materials for us to use at practice.
- Christina Crum for her support.

If you are interested in finding out about Poultry & Egg Judging for 2022, please call **Dave Crum** at 240-446-6841 or email at CrDv93@comcast.com

PREPARE YOURSELF



**No need to fear!
We are here to help!!**

Record books should include:

1. Title Page
2. Summary Record
3. 4-H Story
4. Project Record
5. Picture Pages

For Record Book Guidelines and Resources go to: <https://extension.umd.edu/locations/frederick-county/local-4-h-youth-education> and scroll all the way down and click on *Record Books* listing under *UME Volunteers*.

For Record Book Forms in Google Format go to: <https://go.umd.edu/4Hrecordbookgoogleforms>

Questions? Contact Sara Goodman at sarnold2@umd.edu



Diamond Clover Projects

Perfect time to start the process for your Diamond Clover Levels One—Four

The first four levels are listed below. Click on the Word file to begin the process for the level that you are on. Starting with Level One and working your way up each year.

- Level One Plan and Report/ [Word Version - Click HERE](#)
- Level Two Plan and Report/ [Word Version - Click HERE](#)
- Level Three Plan and Report/ [Word Version - Click HERE](#)
- Level Four Plan and Report/ [Word Version - Click HERE](#)

For more information on ALL Diamond Clover Award levels, please visit the [Maryland 4-H website for Diamond Clover Awards Program page.](#)

Learn all about your new officer position at: <https://go.umd.edu/MDVirtualOfficerTraining>

Questions? Contact Sara Goodman at sarnold2@umd.edu

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LEADERSHIP

WELCOME TO 4-H OFFICER TRAINING!

Each slide is interactive by clicking on different items and images.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

HOW A CLUB MEETING IS RUN

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PRESIDENT/VP with Ms. Santana

SECRETARY with Ms. Sara

TREASURER with Ms. Chris

REPORTER with Ms. Sheryl

HISTORIAN with Ms. Alga

Become a 4-H Volunteer today and help create life-changing experiences for youth in your community!

4-H Volunteers are a key component of the 4-H program. No matter your background or expertise, as a parent, a project leader, or any other leadership capacity, you can offer your unique talents, perspectives, and guidance.

- Lead community clubs, school-based or after-school programs, and camp settings
- Create community service opportunities for youth in your area
- Work with other adults to create fun and exciting programs



What are the steps to becoming a 4-H volunteer?

1. **Enroll in 4-HOnline:** Please go to <https://v2.4honline.com/> If you already have a family profile, while in your "Member List" click on "Add Member" and then complete "New Volunteer" as your Volunteer position. If you are brand new to 4-H please create a new account.
2. **After you complete your enrollment in 4-HOnline, you will receive an email from Erin Kline with the following:**
 - ⇒ **Volunteer Application :** (with attached form) Please fill out the attached application and send to me via email, mail or drop off in the "After Hours" mailbox on the porch at the Frederick County UME office at 330 Montevue Lane, Frederick MD 21702.
 - ⇒ **References:** (with attached form) Please send the attached Reference sheet to 3 friends or acquaintances. Please have them send to me via email, mail or drop off in the "After Hours" mailbox on the porch at: Frederick County UME, 330 Montevue Lane, Frederick MD 21702.
 - ⇒ **Background Check:** You will receive an email from vendor "Sterling Volunteers" for an online portal that will run a Commercial Criminal Background Check, a data driven check using your social security number. There is a \$15.00 fee for this service, paid for by the volunteer online through vendor "Sterling Volunteers." This background check will be required every three(3) years.
 - ⇒ **Volunteer Orientation Training -Please watch [this 4-H Volunteer Orientation Video](#)** and then complete the Orientation Survey. I will automatically receive a notification of your completion of the 4-H Volunteer Orientation Training Survey.
 - ⇒ **Phone Interview** - To select a sign up time please go to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0445AAAC2EA1FA7-volunteer>
 - ⇒ Signing an **Appointment Agreement and Position Description** via an Adobe Sign email that will be sent to you after Steps 1-7 are completed.

**** A 4-H Volunteer cannot work with 4-H Youth until ALL the above steps are completed and the 4-HOnline record is approved by both the State office and our local Frederick County office. The volunteer will receive a Welcome email after all steps and approvals are completed and they are cleared to work with 4-H youth.**

If you have any questions at all, please reach out to Erin Kline at erkline@umd.edu or 301-600-1595.





4-H CALENDAR

Date	Time	Event	Description	Location
January—February 28		4-HOnline Re-Enrollment	ALL returning youth members and volunteers must enroll in 4-HOnline by February 28, 2022.	https://v2.4honline.com/
January 8	8:00am—1:00pm	GFF tagging—required for participating in GFF animal events and accepted for State Fair	www.gffair.com/livestockregistration	Frederick Fairgrounds
January 15	9:00am—12:00 pm	Frederick 4-H tagging	Registration forms due to 4-HOffice by December 28—more details on page 4	TBA
January 22	9:00am—12:00pm	Public Speaking Workshop	https://go.umd.edu/4Hpublicspeakingworkshop	Howard Co. Fairgrounds
January 28	6:00pm	Virtual Maryland 4-H Awards Gala	Tune in to cheer on our Frederick County recipients!	Maryland 4-H Foundation Facebook page (www.facebook.com/Maryland4HFoundation) and the Maryland 4-H YouTube Channel (https://go.umd.edu/MD4HYouTube).
February 21		Healthy Living Workshop @Montgomery County Office	https://go.umd.edu/4Hhealthylivingworkshop	Montgomery County Office
March 19	Beginning at 9:00am	Public Speaking Contest in Frederick County	https://go.umd.edu/PublicSpeakingContest2022	TBA
May 7	Afternoon	4-H Presents & Talent in Frederick County	https://go.umd.edu/4hpresents2022	TBA
May 7	Evening	Fashion Revue in Frederick County	https://go.umd.edu/fashion2022	TBA

Upcoming Beef Sheep & Swine Meeting Dates

Held at 4-H Camp Center
 7pm - 8pm
 2/9/2022—3/9/2022—4/6/2022

NEEDED: Record Book Judges

We are looking for volunteers interested in helping judge county eligible record books! Judging dates will be determined based on the availability of those who are interested.

If you'd like to be a record book judge, sign up by going to: <https://go.umd.edu/2021recordbookjudges>
 If you have any questions, contact Sara Goodman at sanold2@umd.edu.



Thank you for supporting Frederick County 4-H!



Cake Auction Buyers

Allen & Janice O'Hara	April Dixon	Canseco Low Group
Carol Cronkite	Charles & Jane Smith	Chris Crown
CMATC, Pat Herbst	Colonial Jewelers	Crafts By Ruby Watkins
Dave & Brenda Seiss	David & Erin O'Hara	DB Lawn Care
Denny & Marsha Remsburg	DPT Show Cattle & Pigs	Duet with Music
Elite Auto Glass	Empty Pockets Livestock	Emilie Meade
Erica Jaworski	Frederick Co. Pomona Grange	HC Summers
Frederick Painting	Greenbrier Acres	Heiland Electric
Len-Haven Brown Swiss	Madeline Greene	Mathews Livestock Co
Matt & Julie McGuffin	Mid Atlantic Ag Consulting	Mid Atlantic Farm Credit
Monroe & Emma Main	B ryan & Donielle Axline	Paul & Donna Inskeep
Paul & Lori Hoffman	Ralph & Margie Feaga	Rich Goodman
Sally Arnold & Associates	Sandy Corridon	Shelton Plumbing & Heating
Silvers Builders	Tara's Childcare	
Shoemaker Family	The Trish Mills Team	
	Windover Farm, Cronkite Family	

Thank you to the Frederick County 4-H Royalty who helped make the Breakfast with Santa event at the 4-H Camp Center so much fun!!





Scholarship Opportunities

Farm Credit Foundation 2022 Scholarships

<https://fcfoundationforag.org/>

The Farm Credit Foundation for Agricultural Advancement's scholarship program will award 10 scholarships in 2022, each valued at \$10,000.

This program is open to high school seniors or students currently enrolled in a two or four year educational program. All applicants must be planning to pursue a career in agriculture. This includes students wanting to go into production agriculture as well as those planning to be educators, veterinarians, engineers, economists or another profession within the industry.

Applicants must reside in the MidAtlantic Farm Credit's five-state territory. **The deadline for all applications and supporting materials is January 7, 2022.**



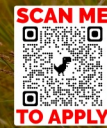
The Atlantic Seed Association is proud to offer a scholarship in the amount of \$2000.

- This scholarship is for scholars who intend on pursuing a career in the seed industry or related field. This individual should display a solid academic ability and impactful community involvement.

- This scholarship is available to high school seniors who reside in the Mid-Atlantic, Northeast, or Ohio. Applicants are to include three references.

Application Due Date: February 15, 2022 11:59 pm EST

Winner(s) Announced: April 7th 2022



Applicant must reside in Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Massachusetts, Maryland, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, or West Virginia.

Maryland Sheep Breeders Association Scholarship

The Maryland Sheep Breeders Association in conjunction with the Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival is offering a scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00 to a student who has been accepted or in is the process of applying for continuing education at a college or university, technical school, or vocational school. Preference will be given to those applicants who are members or who's families are members of the Maryland Sheep Breeders Association.

The application is open now through April 15, 2022. For more information and the application go to:

<https://marylandsheepbreeders.org/awards/scholarships/>

4-H Scholarships

Applications will be available after January 5, 2022 at:
<https://extension.umd.edu/locations/frederick-county/local-4-h-youth-education>

- Frederick County applications are due **March 1st by 4:00 p.m.** to the 4-H Office.
- The Frederick County 4-H Camp Center Scholarship applications are to be postmarked by **March 1** and mailed to the address listed on the application.
- Darren S. Kennedy application is due **April 30th** to the address listed on the application available at the above website.

Maryland Farm Bureau Scholarships

Available to Maryland Farm Bureau student members or children of members.



Maryland Farm Bureau in Frederick County awards both agriculture majors and non-agriculture majors scholarships. For more information, including deadlines and applications, go to:

<https://www.mdfarmbureau.com/scholarships/>



THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
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Since 1986, the Community Foundation has been the leading source for post-secondary scholarship funding in Frederick County. Their program supports nearly every area of study imaginable, with scholarships funded by generous donors who believe in the value of education.

Information on how to apply will be posted in January 2022 at:

<https://www.frederickcountygives.org/Grants->

IMPORTANT COVID-19 Updates

- With COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations on the rise in Frederick County, please be diligent in making sure that **masks are worn at all indoor 4-H meetings, activities and events to lessen the spread of COVID-19.**
- Anyone who tests positive with COVID-19 and recently attended a 4-H meeting or event, please contact your club leader and the 4-H office as soon as possible so communication and information can be shared with others who were in attendance.
- Below are the current requirements from the Maryland 4-H office that we are following.

Restoring Maryland 4-H In-Person Programs

Baseline Conditions as of July 1, 2021.

	<p>LOCATION</p> <p>4-H Activity may be held outdoors or indoors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outdoors: Physical distancing restrictions have been lifted. Please continue to respect the personal space and comfort level of participants. • Indoors: 4-H activity must comply with local school system directives on physical distancing.
	<p>DIRECTIVES</p> <p>4-H Activity must comply with local directives for indoor or outdoor gatherings. <i>Please note, some 4-H activities are required to follow additional guidelines (i.e. camp & overnight activities).</i></p>
	<p>SIZE</p> <p>There are no restrictions on capacity sizes. 4-H activity must comply with local school system directives on physical distancing. All 4-H activities must include at least 2 UME Volunteers or 4-H Faculty/Staff leaders. Please be mindful of 4-H youth/adult ratios.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 adult volunteer for every 10 youth ages 8-18. • 1 adult volunteer for every 5 Cloverbud members ages 5-7.
	<p>HEALTH PLEDGE</p> <p>All youth and adult participants must affirm they are well enough to participate in the 4-H activity when signing the attendance form for the 4-H activity. Individual health pledges will no longer be required.</p>
	<p>FACE COVERING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outdoors: 4-H, as guided by the Maryland Health Department, strongly recommends that all non-vaccinated individuals over the age of 2 continue to wear face coverings in all outdoor settings where physical distancing cannot be maintained. • Indoors: 4-H activity must comply with local school system directives on mask requirements indoors.
	<p>PHYSICAL DISTANCING</p> <p>4-H activity must comply with local school system directives on physical distancing.</p>
	<p>HAND HYGIENE</p> <p>All 4-H Activity participants must have access to supplies for hand hygiene (hand sanitizer, sink with soap and water, etc).</p>
	<p>CLEANING</p> <p>Cleaning and sanitizing supplies must be available. High-touch surfaces and shared equipment or materials must be sanitized.</p>



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.

Club News

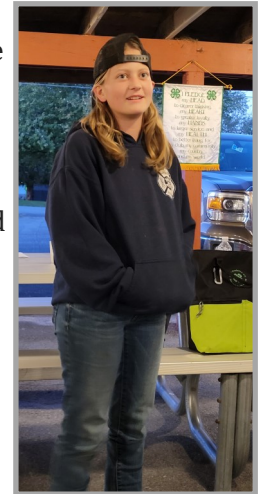
Libertytown

The Libertytown 4H club ended the year strong with participation in the Great Frederick Fair, the 4H Showcase and the Glade Valley Community Show. Our club members were able to meet in person in September and share their successes and awards in all of these events. We also supported our veterans by making cards to send to them.

In October, we participated in a community service project to collect food that would be normally served for Thanksgiving to support families in the Spring Ridge Elementary School area. We also made a Halloween inspired craft and tested out Color Street nails! A special congratulations to **Julia S.** who represented our club for the Character Counts award. **Beckett C.** gave a bee-utiful presentation about honey bees and even had a honey raffle to share a bottle of his family's honey.

We are excited to celebrate the holiday season with our holiday party in December which will include snacks, games and a fun craft after our normal business meeting and elections. We can't wait to start a new year in 2022 and bring new life back to our meetings and events!

Libertytown Club Reporter, **Cash R.**



Rocky Ridge

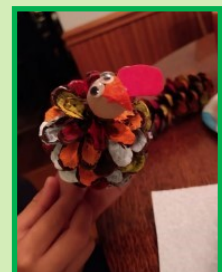
The Rocky Ridge 4-H Club gathered on November 6 for the annual Club Achievement Night. Club members and families gathered to celebrate member achievements over the past year. **Payton, Kelsey, Hayden** and **Colton** were recognized for their record books. **Caroline** was recognized for her Portfolio records. **Matt, Mary Ellen, Caroline,** and **Preston** were recognized as the 4-H Family of the Year for all their participation and contributions to the Club. We are fortunate to have them as part of our Club. We celebrated our last year members as well. Best wishes for a successful future to **Jacob, Kallan, Travis** and **Karianna**.

For our Community Service project, we continued our November tradition of collecting food for Thanksgiving dinners for local families. Members donated items that make up a Thanksgiving meal, and we were able to provide two full meals for local families in need.

At the November meeting, the Clover members gathered to make Pinecone Turkeys. The members enjoyed this festive activity.

Members are busy working on their record books and preparing for 2022. Happy Holidays to all!

Submitted by: **Katie,** Reporter



Club News

Shookstown

Shookstown 4-H Club has a slow start for 2021. We held a few virtual meetings and had our first real meeting in August at our leader's house outside.

We had guest speakers Dennis and Ilene weeks from Union Bridge Lions Club. Ilene explained how the organization operates. They accept donations of usable items and money donations. They are not a for-profit organization. Our Club collected eyeglasses for them as our community service project. Our members enjoyed their speech and asked a lot of questions.

We made crafts for fair entry and individual entries for Frederick Fair. We had a couple new members at this meeting. Our club crafts did well at the Fair. We didn't meet in September due to the Fair.

We held our October meeting at our leader's house. We made plans for upcoming events and made crafts. We had members enter crafts at the 4-H Showcase. Our club also held Poultry Show at the Showcase. **Triston** got his picture on the front page of the Frederick News Post for explaining poultry to the public at the Showcase. All members did well with their entries.

Our November meeting was also held at our leader's house. We made Thanksgiving Turkeys out of clay pots. **Aaron** did a demonstration on how to make a volcano out of clay. He is a Clover and did a great job. **Jessie** also demonstrated how to make a placemat pillow. She did a great job. The pillow was neat.

We made plans for our upcoming Club Holiday Party. We also are signing Christmas cards to distribute to nursing homes. We are also planning for the election of officers for next year.

We look forward to bigger and better things coming for our club next year.

Shookstown Club reporter
Madison O.



Club News

Shutter Speed

In October, the club's photography project focused on two new concepts, the golden triangle and the golden rectangle. The golden triangle splits the picture space into four right triangles and the objective is to roughly fill one of the triangles with the subject matter. Another technique is to fill each triangle with its own subject, providing focus throughout the image. The golden rectangle continually splits itself into shrinkingly smaller squares and rectangles. Once enough squares and rectangles have been depicted, a spiral-like formation becomes visible, which is the basis of the golden rectangle technique. Most notably about this technique, the spiral continually draws your view from the focal point to the very edges of the image. These techniques improve the photographer's intuition and understanding of how to frame a subject, as the golden rectangle and triangle focus heavily on the importance of subject placement.



This image by **Cory M.** displays a golden rectangle, which is noticeable due to the initial focus on the left corner of the vehicle. Our eyes then pan outwards, moving the focus to the other parts of the Jeep.

In November, the club used all of the recently learned techniques on utilizing subject placement and viewpoint discrepancies to show the growth in our understanding of photography. The activity allowed us to use the new techniques we learned to the fullest by making choices about whether the image should be vertical or horizontal, what angle the photo should be taken from, how far away the subject should be, and whether the rule of thirds, golden triangle, or golden rectangle should be used. In each image that was taken, all of those decisions were made, which in turn improved each individual's skill and governance over the techniques.



This image by **Ian E.** displays broad usage of different viewpoint techniques.

Club News

Lewistown

The Lewistown 4-H and Cloverbud club met recently in November for our first meeting indoors since the pandemic started. Members donated canned food items for the Thurmont Food Bank (see picture below). We also will be adopting a needy family from the Thurmont Food Bank for the holidays. We will be meeting in December to make fruit baskets for homebound persons in the community and 4-H members will be donating cookies to go along with the baskets.

Many of our members participated in various events over the last few months, including the Montgomery County Fair, Catoclin Area FFA Alumni & Supporters Livestock Show and Sale (Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show), the Frederick Fair, 4H Showcase held in October, and many of our members traveled to Louisville, Kentucky and Madison, Wisconsin, to exhibit animals as well. All members spoke of the awards and trophies they received at the events they attended. We also collected school supplies for the Catoclin feeder area and items for the Thurmont Food Bank.

Our Cloverbud group has been active as well and presented our club with a \$250 check for the items which were exhibited at the 4H showcase. Under the supervision of Cloverbud leader, **Donna Inskip**, they make crafts and learn at their meetings. In November, they learned about scarecrows and also made suncatchers. Did you know that scarecrows originated from Egypt (who would have ever guessed that). They also come to our meeting and tell us what they learned during their meeting. They are our future 4-H members and are always a pleasure to watch and see them grow.

Election of officers was held at our 2022 officers are: President, **Tarrah G.**; Vice President, **Rianna C.**; Secretary, **Tabrie G.**; Treasurer, **Kourtney B.**; Corresponding Secretary, **MyCayla L.**; Reporters, **Elizabeth S.** and **Paige R.**; Historian, **Rebeka S.**; Recreation Leaders, **Gaige A.**, **Sheridan C.** and **Hallie T.**

Many thanks to the parents and friends of our 4-H members who have assisted us over the last two years.



Club News

Lewistown

2021 Was a busy year for the members of the Lewistown 4-H Club!

Members participated in workshops, the Thurmont Community Show, State Fair, The Frederick Fair and the 4-H Showcase. Our club met virtually and in person. In March we learned about St Patrick's Day and played a Kahoot Game, during the summer we held our summer pool party at the Sportsman's Club. During the fall we had several service projects collecting canned food items, toys for the animal shelter, baking cookies for community members and giving gift baskets to our community friends while caroling. Several club members participated on judging teams and were selected for 4-H Royalty.

Our clovers gave demonstrations to the club on the educational projects they learned about each month. The clovers learned about Flags for Memorial Day, Pollinators and planting seeds during the summer, Beekeeping, Learned about Wildlife, Feeding Birds in Cold Months, Craft Day, and how Scarecrows originated.

Thank you Ms Cheryl and Ms Donna for being our leaders!!



Club News

Valley Urbanites

The Valley Urbanites met at the Middletown Memorial Park for our September and October meetings. It was nice to be able to meet in person! For the program at the September meeting, members read portions from their 4-H Record Book. At the October meeting, **Isaiah**, **Rhiaanon** and **Lillian** gave a talk on how to make a good poster. Members enjoyed playing Charades. Our club participated in the Middletown Scarecrow Contest. Our November meeting was held at the 4-H Camp Center. Members made cornucopia favors for the ladies at Record Street. Members enjoyed the marshmallow toss game!! **Kendall** led the group in making macramé Christmas tree ornaments. The 2022 officers were elected. They are **Kendall**-President and Treasurer, **Lillian**- Vice President and Secretary, **Rhiannon**- Game Leader, and **Emma**- Song Leader.

Merry
Christmas



Club News

Walkersville

The Walkersville 4-H Club met on Saturday, December 4th at the 4-H Camp Center for their annual Christmas Party. Dinner was catered by Glamourview Creamery and club members enjoyed making crafts and participating in a white elephant gift exchange. A short meeting was held and the new officers elected for the 2022 year are:

President-**Jessica M.**

Vice President-**Emma G.**

Secretary-**Kaylee M.**

Treasurer- **Ryan M.**

Corresponding Secretary-**Mason S.**

Historians-**Lyric S., Josie M., Emma G.**

We collected hats, gloves, scarves, socks and blankets to support the Frederick Rescue Mission for our end of year Community Service Project. Club members are pictured with items collected above.

We wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season and Joyous New Year!

Submitted by **Emma G.**, club member



Club News

Rabbit Raisers Summer



The Rabbit Raisers Club has had a couple of very busy weeks in August and September. A club picnic was held August 12th at the 4H Camp Center. There was not a club meeting in September, however, our next meeting will be held on Thursday October 14th. Club members showed and judged at the Maryland State Fair. Club members also got a chance to Show and participate in Market Sales, Showmanship, Agility, Skillathon, Costume Contest, Royal Ambassador and the Bake Sale Auction at The Frederick Fair.



4H'ers having Fun supporting each other in all their projects

Club News

Rabbit Raisers

The Rabbit Raisers Club held their October meeting on Oct. 14th at the Frederick Fairgrounds. Since the club didn't meet in September, this meeting basically recapped all activities from the State Fair, Frederick Fair and the 4-H Showcase. **Kaylin D.** did a demo on how to clip a goat's nail and upcoming ARBA shows were discussed.



The November meeting was held on Nov. 11th at the Frederick fairgrounds. Mrs. Cronkite talked about some tips and tricks on completing Record Books since members will be going back to submitting books for the 2021 4-H year. The club leaders went over By-Laws for the Club and elections were held and new officers were selected!

The new officers for 2022 are as follows:

President-**Ella B.**

Vice President-**Alexis C.**

Secretary-**Kaylin D.**

Treasurer-**Mia M.**

Historian-**Nicholas C.**

Reporter-**Emma G.**

Outgoing 2021 officers are pictured right. We will celebrate their accomplishments at our annual Achievement Night for our December meeting which will be held on Thursday, Dec. 9th.

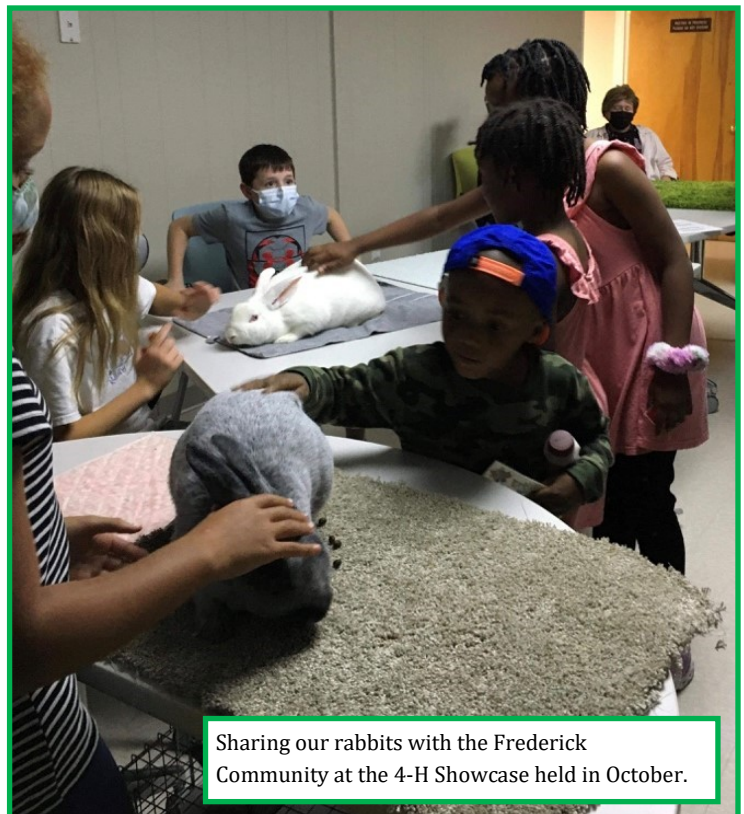


Community Service Project-The Rabbit Raisers Club is collecting cold weather shelter items for the Frederick Rescue Mission during the months of November and December. Items can be dropped off at the leader's homes or brought to meetings for collection!

Club Highlights-Congratulations to **Ben C** and **Mia M.** who both were in the 4-H Royal Ambassador Contest. **Ben** was one of four chosen to represent Frederick County as a Royal Ambassador for the 2021-2022 year. Both contestants were awarded scholarship monies towards their education.

Kaylin D's cake won the Grand Champion title also at the 4-H Showcase! Congratulations **Kaylin!!**

We wish everyone a Joyous Holiday Season!
Respectfully submitted by Club Reporter-**Emma G.**



Sharing our rabbits with the Frederick Community at the 4-H Showcase held in October.

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