

For Immediate Release

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## Hopper's 4-H Club News

*Derek A. Cosner, Reporter*

The Hopper's met March 13, at the Friendsville Senior Center, and the mask regulation is gone because the Garrett County Public School system is no longer wearing masks. It was nice to see everyone's smiling faces again! President Ava Cosner called the meeting to order, then Bristol Ketterman led the American flag pledge and Jacob Vose led the 4-H pledge. Roll call was answered by naming your favorite candy bar. There were eight members and nine volunteers present. We welcome our new member Elizabeth Zimmerman and her mom Caroline to our Club!

Derek Cosner gave a demonstration on how to make Kool-Aid, while Ava Cosners demonstration was going through the recipe she used to make no bake cookies and handed out a recipe to each member. They passed out Kool-Aid and cookies to the members and volunteers.

Darlene Schmidt led the club in a game of Rabbit Jeopardy with exciting and educational categories like: Head to Tail, to breed or not to breed, 4-H on the go, keeping the cooties and who am I? Everyone had fun, and learned some new rabbit knowledge. Prizes were donated by Darlene Schmidt and Becky Tasker. There were no Secretary or Treasurers reports. Darlene then read a thank you card from the Senior Center for the Valentine Cards and a letter from the Oak Grove Church of the Brethren, asking for funds for the Kentucky Farm Tornado Relief project. A vote was taken to send money to their relief effort for farmers who may need fencing or other supplies that their insurance may not cover a replacement for.

Committees will continue to work on things for the June Rabbit Show, and we will vote on a fundraiser next month. The Fair Booth is still awaiting construction. Our t-shirt/sweatshirt order was delivered and handed out. The Club would like to express their condolences to the family of the late Debbie Friend who served as Garrett County Fair President.

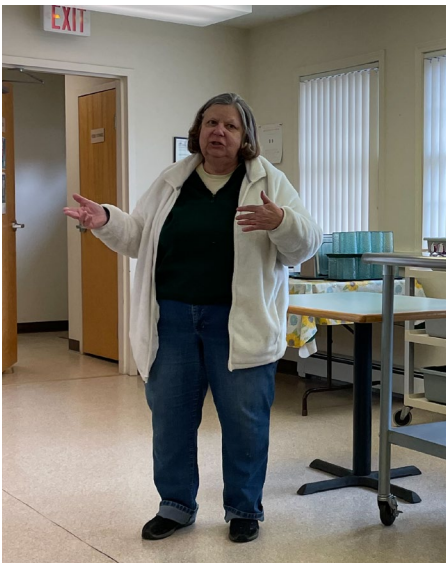
Achievement Night is Sunday, April 3, 2022 starting at 2 pm at the Fairgrounds. You must preregister to attend this event. As many Club members should attend as possible.

Other future events are Spring Weigh-in, Friday, May 13 1-8 pm. You must preregister by May 6, 2022. If you are showing them the next day, they must spend the night. Your animal should be vet checked before this date. Make an appointment with your vet soon!

The Western Maryland 4-H/FFA District Show is May 14, 2022. Anyone wishing to show their swine, beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, meat goats or rabbits must be entered by May 6, 2022. All forms are available on the Maryland Extension website. Members must have the Maryland 4-H Quality Assurance Training Program completed.

The Rabbit Show hosted by the Hopper's Club is June 11, 2022 at 9 am. More information will follow in the coming months for this.

The Club had an enjoyable time and we look forward to our next meeting Sunday, April 10, 2022 at the Friendsville Senior Center. We look forward to seeing all of you and if you're looking for a great Club, HOP, HOP, HOP over and join the Hopper's!



Darlene Schmidt hosting Rabbit Jeopardy