

Cloverleaf Chronicle March 2022



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 4/5/22 to Marylisa Schaedel at mschaede@umd.edu.



4-H Winter Workshop





Thank You

to our Instructors, Volunteers, 4-Hers and Friends for making this year's Winter Workshop a success! More pictures can be found on pages 15 and 16.













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UPDATES FROM THE 4-H OFFICE





On March 1, 2022 the Harford County Board of Education lifted the mask mandate for public schools, mask wearing is now optional. We are excited to be able to see everyone's smiling faces again! Please continue to use the updated attendance form until further notice. Remember to follow proper hand hygiene, social distancing, and cleaning procedures to keep everyone healthy. Thank you for your cooperation!



4-H Online is open for Enrollment! If you have not re-enrolled for 2022 please do so ASAP! Please use this link: https://v2.4honline.com/ to enroll. If you are a returning Volunteer and are unsure about your Volunteer Type and/or Role, please email Marylisa mschaede@umd.edu for the information. Volunteer enrollment was due by 3/1. 4-H Enrollment must be completed by 5/2 to participate in the Farm Fair but we encourage everyone to register early to receive communications from the 4-H Office. Projects can also be added through 5/2/22 by contacting Lynne DiBastiani Idibasti@umd.edu. Questions? Feel free to call the office, 410-638-3255.



We are looking for judges for the Harford County 4-H Public Speaking contest. The contest will be held on April 1, 2022. Judges will need to arrive at 5:30 pm to get their judging assignments, speeches will begin at approximately 6:00 pm. If you are interested or have additional questions please contact Dwayne Murphy (dmurphy2@umd.edu) or 410-638-3255.



Although record books were optional, we had a few 4-Hers turn in their completed books! Judging will begin next week and participants will be notified of their scores. **Just a reminder, a Record Book will be a requirement for participation in the 2023 Farm Fair**. Be sure to begin collecting correspondence, newsletter or newspaper clippings, pictures and keeping records for your projects. If you would like to get a head start on your record books, forms can be found on our website, https://extension.umd.edu/locations/harford-county/local-4-h-youth-education/events-opportunities under the record books tab.



To keep 4-H active the 2nd week of the Farm Fair we are requesting clubs, groups, or individual 4-Hers to give demonstrations during the hours the Fair is open to the public! This is a great opportunity to work together as a club or to complete a project. If you are interested, please sign up using the link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4DAAAC29ABFBC61-4hdemonstrations. If you have an idea for a demonstration that is not listed or would like to change a time/date, please email Marylisa mschaede@umd.edu. Please see the new Fair schedule on page 18.





























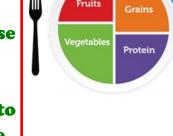
Harford County 4-H Public Speaking Contest April 1st!

Interested in Public Speaking? Register to participate in our upcoming Public Speaking Contest on April 1, 2022! Please use this link for registration: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSeZ-

<u>IgFVnChJlvdmEthRtCbylMRrUtKwioGlq2JO4nHPE5YAw/viewform</u> For rules and other information, please visit our website and click on Public Speaking: https://extension.umd.edu/locations/harford-county/local-4-h-youth-education/events-opportunities

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 registration form, rules, hints, and table
setting information!



Dairy

If your club plans to participate, please return the registration form by 4/22.

CHANGE OF CAMP DATES

Many families were unable to attend camp due to conflicts with the original dates. The Camp Leadership Team has decided to reschedule camp for the following dates:

I % 4-H CAMP

Clover Camp-June 22-24, 2022 Junior Camp-June 26- July 1, 2022 Intermediate Camp July 10-15, 2022



Good Luck to all Harford County 4-H Livestock Skillathon Participants!

MD 4-H State Livestock Skillathon Contest will be held on 3-12-2022.

SAVE THE DATE!



Bring your questions and learn of any updates or rule changes to your department at our next Livestock Information Session!

Meet Your Superintendents & Livestock 101 for New and Returning Exhibitors

Thursday, March 24, 7 pm at the Extension Office Please RSVP by 3/23 if you plan to attend to Marylisa at mschaede@umd.edu or call the office.



The ownership deadline for Market and Commercial Breeding Sheep, Market and Commercial Breeding Goats, and Market Swine is May 2, 2022. Please be sure to enroll early in 4-H Online (https://v2.4honline.com/) and select your live-

stock projects to ensure you receive the proper paperwork and communications. Registration and Tagging paperwork will be sent out mid March so be sure to enroll in 4-H Online ASAP to receive the packet. Weigh In and Tagging is tentatively scheduled for May 10-11, 2022 at the Equestrian Center in Bel Air. Be sure to return your registration and tag payment by 5/2 to avoid the late fee. Looking ahead, the AH&QA website will be opening in April 2022. Any 4-Her showing a specie for the first time or changing age groups will need to complete this program by 7/15/2022.



Horse Happenings





Congratulations Horse Bowl Participants!

Intermediate Team: Hannah Hill, Jordyn Sears, Presley Sears, and Ashlynn Tognocchi



Junior Scramble: Peyton Sears

SPRING PAPER CHASE SATURDAY APRIL 2, 2022 BALTIMORE COUNTY AG CENTER 9 am-1:30 pm

Join for a 4.5 mile ride at your own pace to benefit Harford and Baltimore County 4-H!

Pre-registration and payment due by March 31st via Eventbrite: http://springpaperchase.eventbrite.com

Teams of 7 or less welcome! Optional Schooling before or after your ride in the arena until 3 pm. Rain Date: 4/9. Prepay or pay at gate \$8, free for 4-Hers! Cost: Adults and Non 4-H Youth: \$25, 4-Hers \$15. For full rules and details visit: https://extension.umd.edu/locations/harford-county/local-4-h-youth-education.

Questions? Contact Lisa Fulco: lafulco1@yahoo.com

Horse Day Clinic at the Ag Center in Baltimore County- May 14, 2022



Interested in preparing for Horse Show season at the County and/or State Fair? Not sure where to begin? Whether this is your first time showing or seasoned competitor, you are invited to the "Show Prep Day Clinic" held at the Baltimore County Ag Center on May 14, 2022. Horseless riders (loaner horses for ground activities available), as well as horse/riders, are invited for the day. Registration is 7:30-8:30 am. The day will include workshops. two lessons and a mock show.

Cost \$25 with Mount \$15 without mount
Standards testing at 2:30-5 is open to all (even those not attending the day clinic).
Email Lisa Fulco lafulco1@yahoo.com for questions.



Horse Happenings, continued





The Maryland 4-H State Horse Communication
Contest registration is due by April 21, 2022!
Registered members must submit their recorded
presentations by April 28, 2022.

Participants must be registered in 4-H Online. Please contact the office if you plan to participate by 4/21/22.

For contest rules, tips, and judging criteria, please visit: https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development/program-areas/animal-sciences.

Information can be found under the Horse/Pony tab.

SAVE the DATE!

Maryland 4-H State Hippology and Horse Judging Contest

Virtual Component for Juniors and Intermediates Only (Senior 4-Hers to complete Hippology portion in-person at Judging Contest):

May 29, 2022 through Zoom and Google Forms

In-Person Contest for All Age Groups : June 12, 2022 Howard County Fair grounds

Event Registration will be through 4-H Online. Registration Deadline: May 21, 2022

Please visit: https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development/
program-areas/animal-sciences for rules and study links.

Fun with Experiments!



March 28, 2022 6:30 pm at the Extension Office

RSVP to mschaede@umd.edu by 3/22

Are you interested in experimenting with household items to test your engineering skills? Use your creativity to create a device to safely protect an egg from a drop! Create your own snazzy lava lamp! Test your ability to keep a ping pong ball airborne! Make a stickman float! Join 4-H Instructors Mark Stauffer, Grace and Chad Maccarelli for a fun evening of hands on experiments! This class was originally created for Winter Workshop. Unfortunately, it could not be offered on the snow date due to a scheduling conflict. The 4-Hers have offered to open the class to all! Hope to see you there! Class limited to 15 participants.

Did you know the Small Pets Department at the Fair covers Cats, Guinea Pigs, Hamsters, Gerbils, Rats, Hedgehogs, Ferrets, Reptiles such as Snakes, Bearded Dragons, Geckos, Birds, Fish and Bugs-like Madagascar Hissing Cockroaches! If you have always wanted to show a small pet but didn't know where to start, join us for this information packed evening!

Small Pets Demonstration and Q&A session March 14th, 6:30 pm at the Extension Office

Interested in attending? Please RSVP to mschaede@umd.edu by 3/13/22.



Small Pets Information Night

Join host Maddie Andrews and meet her small pets!





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 calendar year, explaining 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: Thursday, March 31, 2022 6:30 pm

Where: Harford County Extension Office

(3525 Conowingo Rd Street, MD 21154)

RSVP to Marylisa Schaedel mschaede@umd.edu by 3/30/22.

Upcoming Events shared by our Ag Agent, Andrew Kness.....

Maryland Beef Webinars are set to begin the second Tuesday of each month from 7:30-8:30 pm. To join, register using the link: https://extension.umd.edu/resource/maryland-beef-webinar-series



March 8.— To deworm or not to deworm? April 12.— Breading and Genetics May — Break for weekly public beef education series June 14.— Interpreting a Forage Analysis July 12.— Mineral Nutrition for Beef Cattle August 9.— Pasture Management: Stockpiling Tips September 13.— Spring Stocker Cattle Recap: Successes and Lessons Learned October 11.— Utilizing Crop Residue as a Forage Source November 8.— Benchmarking for Success December 13.— Wintering Bulls and Cows Registration: https://go.umd.edu/beef-webinars

A series of Backyard Chicken Webinars are to begin on Fridays at noon from March 18-April 8, 2022. To register visit: https://wmd.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJEuf-6trzsrGNBBIGSP9OmbZtOSDINIAFbt

The Avian Influenza (HPIA) has been detected on the East Coast. To learn more and how to keep your flock safe visit: https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth/animal-disease-information/avian/defend-the-flock-program/dtf-resources/

The Maryland dairy industry is looking for young women to promote Maryland's official beverage - MILK! Dairy Princess candidates must be between the ages of 16 and 22 and Dairy Maids must be between the ages of 13 and 16. All candidates must be Maryland residents.

Candidates must be the owner or leaser of at least one dairy animal and/or enrolled in a dairy related project through 4-H or FFA for two years. Accepted dairy projects are "4-H Healthy Living" foods project with an emphasis in dairy foods, dairy leasing program, dairy judging, FFA Milk Quality and Products CDE or FFA Dairy Handling CDE. Candidates may also be employed herself or the daughter of a dairy farm manager or herdsman; or an employee in a dairy related industry (farm store, cooperative, DHIA, feed supplier, veterinarian, milk inspector, etc.) Because this program is funded by the dairy cattle milk check-off, dairy goats and dairy steers are not acceptable project areas.

Princess candidates will compete in regional contests held in May. Harford County is in the Upper Chesapeake Region. The seven Regional Princesses will compete in the state pageant in July. The regional winners will work together throughout their reign to spread the good news about dairy to consumers across the state. There are no local or state competitions for Dairy Maids - they will all receive and sash and will be introduced during the state pageant. To enter, each candidate must send a recent photograph and resumé to the Maryland Dairy Princess Coordinator at mddairyprincess@gmail.com by April 15th. For details visit: https://www.marylanddairyprincess.org/

scholarship Opportunities





The MD Farm Bureau Scholarship will be awarding 5 scholarships for the 2022-23 academic year. Applicants must be graduating high school or full time college students. Applicants or their parents/ guardians must be members of MD Farm Bureau. For more information visit https://apply.mykaleidoscope.com/scholarships/MFBScholarship2022?

For more agricultural scholarships visit: https://maefonline.com/home/student-center/scholarships/

state 4-H Opportunities!



Save the Date!

MD State 4-H Public Speaking Contest will be held on 4/23/22 at the Carroll County Extension Office.

MD 4-H Foundation \$4 for 4-H Donation Drive will be held on 4/4/2022! Watch for details on Facebook and Instagram!







Tractor Supply's Paper Clover Spring Campaign Dates are April 27-May 8, 2022! Nationally, 4-Hers are allowed back in the stores. If your club is interested, please contact the office for details!



MD 4-H Forest Exploration Program is open for registration! Join for state-wide monthly virtual meetings starting March 16 and regional in person meetings in the forest! Learn about tree identification, insect and diseases, methods of sustainable harvesting and more! If you would like more information, please contact Amy Lang amlang@umd.edu. Program fee \$40/per child. Register through 4-H Online.

* 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 April edition, please submit your information by 4/5/22 to Marylisa at mschaede@umd.edu.



This winter, the Churchville Champions made wool wreaths to sell at the Bel Air Farmer's Market. Most of the money we raised was used to go to Redners to buy food for the Smiths Chapel food pantry in Churchville. The rest of the money will go to the club so we can do a fun club activity! - Submitted by Erin Lyons, Churchville Champions club reporter

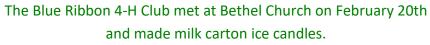




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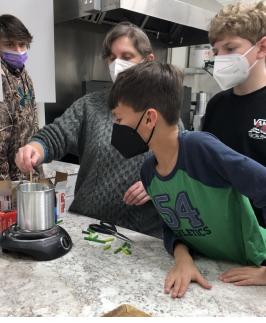




~Pictures submitted by Club Leader Jane Burgess











* Club Notes *



The Stockyards 4-H Club spread sunshine to the residents of Broad Creek Manor! Each person received a handmade blanket! Great Job!

— Pictures submitted by Debbie Heston





A big thanks to Harford Stockyards 4-H Club for bring our residents some beautiful blankets for Valentines Day!! The residents at Broad Creek Manor appreciate all the community support.

#warmblankets #feelingloved

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4-H Picture Pages



4-H Livestock
Skillathon
participants
working hard
at their mock
competition
in preparation
for the State
Contest!







Special Thanks to Karen Holloway of the Mill, our guest speaker on 2/23. We all learned about Livestock Feeding and Nutrition at our first Livestock Information Session!

4-# Picture Pages



Harford County Flaming Arrows Archery Club Dia Hopp ⋅ Feb 3 ⋅ 🖫

Loretta Newton Here are a few of the best pictures from the tournament. As expected, it was hard to take photos since her back was always facing toward the camera!

Michele Magness-Hill and 6 others

2 Comments



Madalyn Hopp (pictured above and right) recently competed in an Archery Tournament hosted by Spooky Nook in PA. She did a fantastic job!



Aubrey Tognocchi pictured above at a recent Archery Tournament. Great Job!



4-H Picture Pages

Our ongoing Watershed
Wellness series is back in full
swing! Our first session after
the new year focused on
Conservation Gardening, Soil
Identification, Rain Gardens
and the effects of runoff.







A big thanks to our guest instructor for this session! Eric Helm Buehl, our Regional Watershed Restoration Specialist with the University of Maryland Sea Grant Extension Program taught us all about types of soil and how to keep a healthy watershed.



4-H Winter Workshop































4-H is a community of young people young across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills.



UPDATED 2022 4-H Farm Fair Schedule

Wednesday, July 20	Sheep & Market Goat Weigh In	7:00-9:00 am		
	Sheep Show-Livestock Show Ring	12:00 pm		
	Market Goat Show-Livestock Show Ring	3:00 pm following Sheep Show		
	Poultry Show-Barnyard Pavilion	9:00 am		
Thursday, July 21	Swine Weigh In	7:00-9:00 am		
	Swine Show-Livestock Show Ring	12:00 pm		
	Dairy Goat Show-Barnyard Pavilion	9:00 am		
	Dairy Cattle Arrive	7:00-9:00 am		
	Dairy Cattle Show-Barnyard Pavilion	3:00 pm		
	Decorated Cakes Entered and Judged	6:00-8:00 pm		
Friday, July 22	Steer Weigh In	7:00-9:00 am		
	Beef Show, Steer Show, Showmanship	1:00 pm		
	Rabbit Show-Barnyard Pavilion	10:00 am		
	Master Showman	following Beef Show		
Saturday, July 23	Horse Show Check In—Horse Ring	8:00-8:30 am		
	Horse Show-Horse Ring	9:00 am		
	Buyers Dinner	1:00 pm		
	Livestock Sale and Cake Auction	3:00 pm		
Sunday, July 24	Indoor Exhibits Entered	2:00-5:00 pm		
Monday, July 25	Archery Show, Ring 3	3:00 pm		
Tuesday, July 26	Small Tractor Contest-Livestock Show Ring	3:00 pm		
	Bicycle Contest-Livestock Show Ring	5:00 pm		
Wednesday, July 27	Dog Show-Livestock Show Ring	4:00 pm		
	Livestock Skillathon/Bowl	TBD		
Thursday, July 28	Small Pet Show -Livestock Show Ring	3:00 pm		
	Dog Agility-Ring 2	4:00 pm		
	Dairy Skillathon/Bowl	TBD		
	Fashion Revue-Main Pavilion	7:00 pm		
Friday	Indoor Exhibits Released	10:00 am- 12:00 pm		

March 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		Computer Science/Coding Class 7 pm	2	Horse Council Meeting 7 pm EO Session #4 Water- shed Wellness Series 7pm EO	Public Speaking Workshop E0 6:30 pm	Snow Date for Winter Workshop EO MD State Horse Bowl Competition (Virtual) 3/5-6
Submissions to the Cloverleaf Chronicle due TODAY!	Leaders' Association Meeting 7 pm EO	8 Computer Science/ Coding Class 7 pm EO	9	10	11	MD State Livestock Skillathon
13	Small Pets Info Night 6:30 pm EO	Computer Science/ Coding Class 7 pm VIRTUAL	New UME Volunteer Open Session 7 pm EO Camp Board Meeting 7 pm DCO	17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY	18	19
20 State Council Meeting 2 pm	21	Session #5 Watershed Wellness Series 7pm	23	24 Livestock Information Session #2 7 pm E0	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 "4-H 101" Info for New Families 6:30 pm E0		

April 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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					Public Speak- ing Contest Time TBD EO	Paper Chase Balt Co Ag Center
3	4	Watershed Wellness Planting Time TBD E0	6	Horse Council Meeting 7 pm EO	8	Paper Chase Balt Co Ag Center Rain Date
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Kitchen Science Experiments 6:30 pm E0	Watershed Wellness Planting Rain Date Time TBD	22	23
24	25	26	27	Livestock Info Series #3 7 pm E0	29	30 Meal Appeal Time TBD DCO



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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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