



Happy Holidays! 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 1/5/23 to Marylisa Schaedel at [mschaede@umd.edu](mailto:mschaede@umd.edu).



**Congratulations to our Maryland 4-H Delegates!**  
**National 4-H Congress took place November 25-29 in Atlanta, Georgia. Harford County was represented by two 4-Hers, Elisabeth Holmes (seated, first from right) and Andrew Fulco (seated, front row). See page 18 for more pictures and details about their experience!**



# UPDATES FROM THE 4-H OFFICE



Greetings 4-Hers, Volunteers and Families,



Happy Holidays! I hope you spend time this season to reconnect with family and friends and reflect on the past year. This time of year, it is easy to focus on “real” gifts but I am most grateful for the ones that do not require wrapping or bows! The gift of you, our 4-Hers, volunteers and families who make our 4-H program an outstanding success! The gift of your time, energy, and wonder is something I am grateful for all year long. I would like to wish you and your family Happy Holidays and a Happy and Healthy 2023!!

~ Marylisa Schaedel



**Just a reminder, Record Books will be required to participate in the Farm Fair for 2023!** If you need a refresher or are new to 4-H, we will be hosting a few workshops, the next will be held on **January 11, 2023**. Record Books must be turned in to our office by February 6, 2023 to be eligible to participate in the 2023 Farm Fair.



Looking for Record Book forms, project records and rules? Visit our website, <https://extension.umd.edu/locations/harford-county/local-4-h-youth-education/events-opportunities> and click on the events tab. Scroll down to find the Record Book tab. Just a reminder, first year 4-Hers and graduating seniors are not required to turn in a record book. If you carry an animal or livestock project, you must complete a record for your animal. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the 4-H office 410-638-3255 or email Marylisa [mschaede@umd.edu](mailto:mschaede@umd.edu).



**Beef and Dairy Steer Registration Forms are in the mail!** If you are new to the beef program or did not receive your forms, they can be found using this link: <https://extension.umd.edu/locations/harford-county/local-4-h-youth-education/events-opportunities> Forms must be received by 1/4/23. **LATE FORMS WILL BE CHARGED A \$20 PER HEAD LATE FEE.** Tags are \$2 each and checks can be made payable to the Harford County EAC.



We are looking for adult volunteers to judge Record Books! If you are new to judging, we will be holding a Record Book Judging Workshop and Distribution Night on **February 13, 2023**, 7 pm at the Extension Office. Interested? Please call the office 410-638-3255 or email Marylisa [mschaede@umd.edu](mailto:mschaede@umd.edu).





Mark your Calendars! The Harford County Farm Fair will take place July 22-29, 2023. The theme will be an Old Time Agricultural Fair featuring 4-H, FFA, animal shows, 4-H and community exhibits as well as many agricultural events. The fair will be open to the public and parking will be permitted on the grounds. The schedule will be announced at a later date.



## *Horse Happenings*



## **HELP WANTED!!**

We are looking for volunteers who would be interested in helping with or coaching Harford County's 2023 Horse Bowl Team!! Practices typically begin in January to prepare for the Spring Contest. Please contact Lisa Fulco, [lafulco1@yahoo.com](mailto:lafulco1@yahoo.com) for details.



### **Camp Dates for 2023**

Please note these dates are **TENTATIVE and SUBJECT to CHANGE!**

**INTERMEDIATE CAMP: June 26-30, 2023**

**COMBINED CLOVER/JUNIOR CAMP\*: July 10-13, 2023**

**\*Clovers will be a day program only, Juniors will have the option to stay overnight or attend the day program only.**

### **Camp Counselor Applications and Information**

Camp Counselor Applications, including two recommendation forms, will be due to our office by 2/1/2023.

Forms can be found on our website: <https://extension.umd.edu/locations/harford-county/local-4-h-youth-education/events-opportunities>

Questions? Contact the office 410-638-3255

Stay Tuned! Training Dates will be posted soon!





Join us for a Record Book Workshop for new members or 4-Hers seeking a refresher! **Record Books will be required to participate in the 2023 Fair.**

We will be covering step by step instructions on how to complete a Record Book!

We hope to see you there!

When: Tuesday January 11, 2023 at 7 pm

Where: The Harford County Extension Office

Please RSVP by 1/9 to Marylisa at [mschaede@umd.edu](mailto:mschaede@umd.edu) or call the office, 410-638-3255

*Please note first year 4-Hers are not required to turn in a record book but they are welcome to attend and learn for the future!*



## Virtual Winter Photography Contest



Get your cameras ready! We invite all of our 4-H youth to participate in our Virtual Winter Photography Contest! A prize will be awarded to the first place entry for each age group (Clover, Junior, Intermediate, Senior) and category (listed below). Pictures must be uploaded and received by 1/23/23 for judging. Winning photos will be announced in the February newsletter!

One entry per category, per 4-Her, please!

## Categories: Nature, Animals, & People

All entries will be featured on our social media and in the February newsletter.

Please send your pictures along with your name, age and category with a brief description to Marylisa Schaedel [mschaede@umd.edu](mailto:mschaede@umd.edu).



# State 4-H Opportunities

## Outbound Opportunities!

This year Maryland 4-Hers have the opportunity to explore the world and become culturally aware in 3 different outbound locations, Japan (4 & 8-week programs), Costa Rica (4-week) and South Korea (4-week). Each outbound opportunity provides a unique cultural immersion experience. Delegates will experience aspects of daily life that allow them to more deeply understand both their host culture and their own! Applications are due no later than Dec 15th.

Program fees include lodging, meals, transportation, camps and cultural excursions throughout the program. Scholarships are available through States' 4-H upon application approval.



## Inbound Opportunities!

Do you know any families wanting to experience the world all in the comfort of their own home? We are seeking families to open their homes and hearts to a Japanese delegate between 12-17 years old and show them the American Culture. We need 13 families to host a Japanese Delegate this summer from mid-July through mid-August. The program is open to any family with a child 9-18 years old. No special trips or accommodations are required; simply let a delegate change you and your children's cultural awareness for the better!

For more information on both Inbound and Outbound Opportunities, please contact Carrie Wivell at [cwivell@umd.edu](mailto:cwivell@umd.edu).



**The portfolio deadline for National Leadership trips and National 4-H Conference will be on the same date beginning in 2023!** Seniors age 14-18 as of January 1st the year the trip takes place are eligible to submit an application and portfolio packet through 4-H Online. If you plan to submit your portfolio please plan to review your packet with Marylisa Schaedel prior to uploading in 4-H Online. **The submission deadline will be 1/15/23.** Visit the MD State 4-H website, <https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development/program-areas/youth-and-adult-leadership> or contact our office, 410-638-3255 for details.



Please join us for a night under the stars!

# Stargazing and S'mores Night



Friday, December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 6-9pm at the Harford County 4-H Camp

Please join the Harford County Astronomical Society and the Harford County 4-H Camp and Deer Creek Overlook as we search the night sky for stars, planets, and other space objects.

Telescope viewing of the night sky

Craft station for children

Information stations covering various topics

Presentation

S'mores and toasty beverages

Food will be available for purchase

Cost is \$5.00 per family and includes a s'more per person and crafts for children.

Tickets available at <https://ticketstripe.com/stargazingandsmores>

**Hosted by:**



Interested in Volunteering at this event? See page 8 for details!!

Intermediate and Senior 4-Hers Needed!

**The Camp is looking for 4-Hers to help at the Stargazing and S'mores Event on 12/30! Two easy crafts will be offered as well as a 4-H information table.**

**If you are interested in helping, please contact Marilyn Lyons at [info@deercreekeverlook.com](mailto:info@deercreekeverlook.com)**



The Harford County Ag Center is once again collecting toys for Toys for Tots through 12/15! If you would like to participate, bring a new, unwrapped toy to our collection bin located in the Solarium.





# WHOO's in Your Backyard????

**Change of Date due to  
Owl Pellet Shortage!!**



**Join us for a fun and informative lesson about owls from Harford County Bird Club member, Mary Murray. Each 4-Her will be given the opportunity to dissect a safe to touch, sterile owl pellet. This is a fun activity for all ages! Space will be limited to 15 participants so be sure to sign up today! It's sure to be a HOOT!!**

**NEW DATE!!**

**When: January 18, 2023 7 pm**

**Where: The Extension Office**

**RSVP to Marylisa [mschaede@umd.edu](mailto:mschaede@umd.edu) by 1/10/23 if you plan to attend.**



**THE HARFORD  
BIRD CLUB**  
A CHAPTER OF THE MARYLAND  
ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Instructors Needed! Senior 4-Hers welcome!!

## Winter Workshop

Saturday, March 4, 2023



### Volunteer Instructor Registration Form

Please submit this form by January 20, 2023

Instructor Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a 4-Her? ☐ yes ☐ no

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief Description of Your Class:

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Supplies needed for participants:

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We will provide class totals 10 days in advance of this event. You may purchase supplies and be reimbursed (less sales tax) or provide a list for our office to pre-order your class supplies.

Please return this form by January 20, 2023 to [mschaede@umd.edu](mailto:mschaede@umd.edu) or mail to 3525 Conowingo Rd, Street, Suite 600, MD 21154.

THANK YOU!!

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# **4-H Camp Volunteer Open House**

## **Wednesday, January 26, 2023**

### **6-8 pm DCO**

**Join us if you would like to volunteer at Camp, learn more about Camp or learn more about being a 4-H Volunteer!**

*We hope to see you there!*



## *4-H Online Enrollment Party!*



Would you like help navigating our online enrollment system? Do you live in an area with limited internet access? If you would like assistance with your 2023 4-H Online enrollment please join us!

*When: Saturday, February 4, 2023*

*Time: 10:00 am- 1:00 pm*

*Where: The Extension Office*

*3525 Conowingo Road, Street, MD 21154*

*Please RSVP if you plan to attend to Marylisa*  
*[mschaede@umd.edu](mailto:mschaede@umd.edu) or call 410-638-3255.*





# Club Notes



On November 9th, the Harford County Trailblazers meet to fill and assemble Operation Christmas Child boxes. Due to their generosity, we were able to fill 17 boxes that will be sent overseas to children who do not get a Christmas. We also decorated and signed cards that will be sent to the military. Our group had a great time being able to serve others! ~Submitted by Club Leader, Ashley Citro







# Club Notes



The Horse Power and Ponytails met with Mrs. Bobbie the gourd lady, of Benjamin's Landing Farm for their November meeting. She taught our group to make turkeys from gourds grown and dried on her family farm in Pylesville, Maryland. Pictured: our club with turkeys, Morgan Greimel painting, the finished turkey. ~Submitted by Jocelyn Wiherle





# Club Notes

On November 6th the Blue Ribbon 4-H club met at Redner's grocery store in Hickory for a Grocery Store Challenge. One team bought holiday food for our adopted family and the other two teams were given \$40 each to purchase non perishable food which was donated to Mason Dixon Community Services. Prior to Redner's , the group enjoyed pizza at Pizza Hut and signed Military Mail. ~ Submitted by Jane Burgess, Club Leader



  
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# Club Notes

In November, the Super Clover Kids Club met at Deer Creek Overlook. Old business was shared and plans to go bowling and ice skating was decided for future events. Brooklynn Eagan, Aubrey Tognocchi, Tessa Eagan, Ashlynn Tognocchi, and Sadie Moldenhauer did two different demonstrations on holiday crafts. Then, club members worked to make the crafts. Next month, club members will donate \$1 each to the camp and collect items for Fairy Tails Animal Res-





# 🍀 Club Notes 🍀

The Blackhorse 4-H Club participated in the Highland Holiday Tractor Parade. ~Submitted by Jennifer Greene



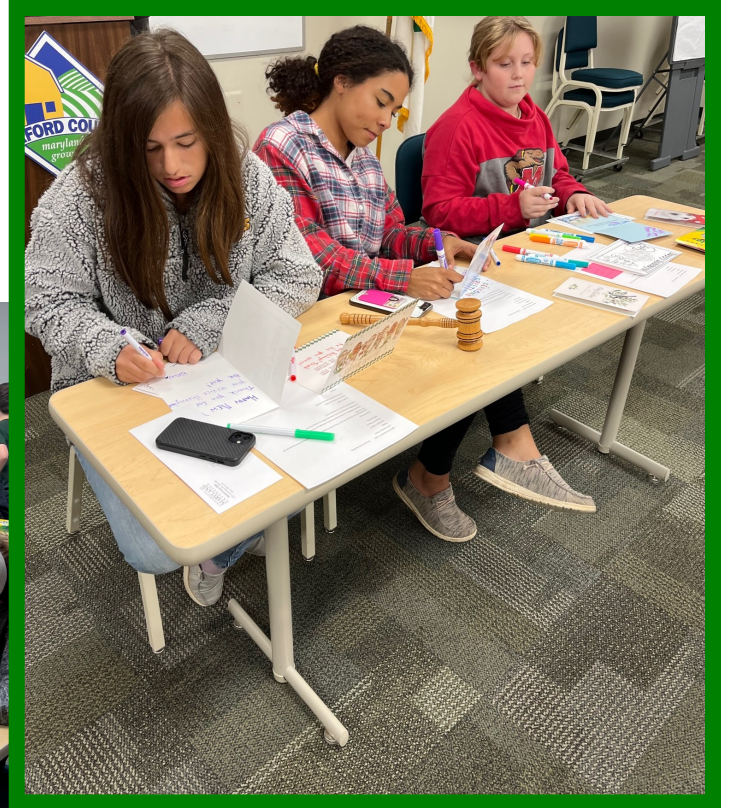




# Club Notes



The 4-H Livestock Club signed cards for Military Mail at their November meeting. They will be filling boxes of goodies for Assistant Living residents at their December meeting. ~Submitted by Marylisa Schaedel, Club Leader







# 4-H Picture Pages



**Gingerbread Night!**

4-Hers and their friends decorated their houses and enjoyed hot cocoa!







# 4-H Picture Pages



Andrew Fulco and Elisabeth Holmes represented Harford County at National 4-H Congress in Atlanta last month. They attended with the Delegation from Maryland and joined hundreds of 4-Her's from across the United States. They attended workshops and assemblies to enhance their leadership and communication skills. In addition, all of the attendees completed community service projects around the Atlanta area during their visit. Elisabeth and Andrew helped at the Chattahoochee Nature Center to fix up their community garden by laying mulch and pulling weeds. In the evenings the group attended dinners and dances where they had opportunities to taste different foods at the international dinner and learn line dances from different regions of the Country. They are looking forward to sharing some of those dances at camp this summer. It was a fun time to meet and learn from 4-Her's from all of the United States. This was a once in a lifetime opportunity and they are appreciative of the many generous sponsors, nationally, regionally and locally by Barry Glassman and the Harford County Leaders Association.

*~Submitted by Elisabeth Holmes*



# December 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<b>1</b>   4-H Online Closes for 2022	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>   Dog Bowl College Park	<b>5</b>   Submissions Due for Clover- leaf Chronicle!	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	  Toys for Tots Donation Deadline	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b>   Happy Hanukkah  Hanukkah Begins	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>  Camp Board Meeting 7 pm DCO   Reading Logs Due	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>   Christmas Eve
<b>25</b>   Christmas Day	<b>26</b>  Office Closed -Christmas Day Holiday  Last Day of Hanukkah 	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>   Stargazing and S'mores DCO  *fee charged	<b>31</b> 

# January 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 	<b>2</b> Office Closed New Year's Day (observed)	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>  Market Steer Paperwork Due	<b>5</b>  Submissions to the Cloverleaf Chronicle due TODAY!	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>  Volunteer Tea and Bench Dedication EO 1-3 pm
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>  Leaders Assoc Meeting 7pm EO	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>  Record Book Workshop 7 pm EO	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>  Steer Tagging/Weigh In Equestrian Center
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>  Owl Pellet Dissection EO 7 pm  Camp Board Meeting 7 pm DCO	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>  Snow Date for Steer Tagging/Weigh In
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>  Camp Volunteer Open House DCO 6-8 pm	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				





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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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