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REPORTER'S NEWS Crazy Critters 4-H Club Report February 3, 2023 Submitted By: Bryanna Matlock

The Crazy Critters 4-H Club had our first meeting of the year on February 3rd at 6:00pm. Our meeting took place at 26457 Reed Road, Mechanicsville, MD 20659 also known as Triple Creek Farm. At our meeting we welcomed our new member, Maddy Crawford, to the club. Then we began our meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Jessica Matlock, followed by the 4-H Pledge led by Jenna Stallard. Our club president, Bry Matlock, then explained a roll call question and everyone had the opportunity to learn each other's favorite animals as our club secretary, Jenna Stallard, called roll.

At our meeting we discussed all of the 4-H events that we had attended since our last meeting. We shared our experiences from each event allowing everyone who didn't attend to know everything they may have missed and to give those who might want to attend the same or a similar event in the future an idea of what to expect. Our members enjoyed sharing their stories from officer training, the horse interest meeting, and the teen meeting.

At the end of our business meeting we decided that our treasurer, Kendall Bell, would bring a demo for our next meeting. We then went on to discuss our record books and set up a 4-H binder for our new member to help keep track of paperwork throughout the year. Our president, Bry Matlock, explained to our new member what each form was for and how to fill it out while our vice president, Jessica Matlock, handed out the paperwork that will later help everyone complete their record books, to our returning members, to put in their old binders.

After putting our binders together and adjourning our meeting, everyone joined back together to do our craft. For our craft we split up into teams of two, and built barns out of model magic and popsicle sticks. We had 15 minutes to complete our barns and then they were judged by our leader, Miss Trudy Prenger. Our members had fun racing to beat the clock to complete their barns before time ran out. Then our members congratulated each other on the places that they earned. Overall it definitely made for a good first meeting to start the year off and we can't wait to see what the rest of the year brings.

