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National Volunteer Week

National Volunteer Week was April 16 to 22th! Here in Frederick County, we have the pleasure of working with some of Maryland's absolute best volunteers and we do not take that for granted. Whether you've been with us for 30 years or 30 days, your contribution, your insights, and your service are highly appreciated. We need everyone's unique perspectives, ideas, skills, and passions to create the kind of programs that will help all of our kids from the farms to the cities to THRIVE.

- Because of YOU, we have kids who are learning to give back to their communities
- Because of YOU, we have kids who are finding their spark and carving out their own niche within society
- Because of YOU, we have kids who are learning to make healthier choices for themselves long-term
- Because of YOU, we have kids who are learning to be leaders who lead with their whole bodies (heads, hearts, hands, and health)
- Because of YOU, we have been able to impact almost 6,000 lives for GOOD this past year

Last year, our incredible 174 volunteers in Frederick gave over 10,000 combined hours of service! That's an impact of over \$300,000 that has gone straight into our community and will make a difference for years to come. Thank you for believing in this program and giving of your time and talents to make Frederick County 4-H's impact in the community shine. This week, and every week, we celebrate YOU!

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Frederick County 4~H Newsletter

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Frederick County 4-H Website



Frederick County 4-H Poultry & Egg Judging

Looking for a contest where you can learn how to judge Poultry, eggs and other items? Then come out to see what 4-H Poultry & Egg Judging is all about. There are 3 age divisions to compete in: Junior 8-10, Intermediate 11-13, and Senior 14-18.

In our contest:

We judge and place classes of White Leghorn Production Hens.

Judge and grade eggs using various USDA standards.

Judge and grade market poultry, parts, and other breaded processed products.

Some new items were added to what we had judged in the past.

You do not need to have Poultry or be in a Poultry club to judge in the contest. Just be willing to learn and to have fun.

Team members will represent Frederick County at the Maryland State Contest.

Our practices will start up the week of July 10th and go to the time of the contest, which is on Sept 2nd. We usually have practice one evening a week in Johnsville, MD.

Johnsville is located between Libertytown and Union Bridge.

Seniors have an opportunity to win a trip and represent Maryland at the National Contest held in Louisville, KY. While in Louisville, you will attend various sightseeing events and meet 4-Hers from across the United States. In the past, the top Senior also received a scholarship award from the University of Maryland.

If you would like to find out more information or have questions about the Poultry & Egg Judging Contest, Please give Dave Crum a call at 240-446-6841 or email at <u>crdv93@comcast.net</u> or <u>davec@messicks.com</u>



Frederick County 4-H Livestock Judging

Livestock Judging

Practices will be starting soon. We are looking for 4-H members interested in learning about Beef Cattle, Meat Goats, Sheep & Swine to join our team. We will practice at the Extension Office for a few weeks and then attend practices at local farms throughout the summer. No experience is needed, we will teach you. To sign up for livestock judging complete the form at https://forms.gle/dk2qdjgm7HLxRvoH9

Our practice dates for May and June will be at the Extension Office from 6:30pm-8:30pm.

May 31st June 14th June 21st June 28th

<u>Central Maryland Spring Show</u>

Show season is underway and we would love for your family to join the Central Maryland 4-H Spring Show Committee for our event June 10th and 11th at Montgomery County Fairground. Enjoy a fun day of shows with real judges, earn ribbons, premiums and try your best to bring a banner home, too.

Show details are available at https://bit.ly/23springshow

Pre-entry is required by June 6th at https://bit.ly/4hffaspringshow

Show Schedule

Saturday 6/10/23	Sunday 6/11/23
Dairy in Cattle Pavilion	Beef in Cattle Pavilion
Meat Goats in SM Arena	Dairy Goats in Swine Pavilion
Alpaca in Horse Arena	Horse in Horse Arena
Rabbits in Rabbit Barn	Poultry in Poultry Barn (#47)
Swine in Swine Pavilion	Sheep in SM Arena
	Dog Show in 4-H Building (Hall 1)

Upcoming Events

Upcoming Newsletter Submission Deadlines:

June/July - Friday, June 2

August/September - Friday, August 4

October/November - Friday, October 6

December/ January - Friday, December 1

Please email submissions to Kim Krasauskis kkrasaus@umd.edu

Maryland 4-H Foundation Scholarships for Academic Year 2023-2024

The Maryland 4-H Foundation is proud to offer the opportunity for academic scholarships to Maryland 4-H members and Maryland 4-H alum pursuing post-secondary education at a college, university or post-secondary technical training program. The Maryland 4-H Foundation awards an average of \$50,000 in scholarships annually.

The Maryland 4-H Foundation Scholarship Application for the academic year 2023-2024 will be open later this week. **Deadline to apply is June 15, 2023 by 11:59pm!**

Applicants must be a currently enrolled Maryland 4-H member or a Maryland 4-H Alumni in good standing who has completed at least two (2) years of membership in Maryland 4-H. They must be planning to enroll in an accredited college, university or post-secondary technical training program for both the fall and spring semesters of the 2023-2024 academic year.

*Students completing their post-secondary education in December of 2023 are ineligible to apply.

Please share with any Maryland 4-H members or alum who are eligible.

For more information including a complete list of scholarships, eligibility requirements, the application and instructions, visit <u>https://www.mymaryland4hfoundation.com/how-we-give/scholarships</u>

39th Annual Golf Tournament



To register or sponsor visit <u>https://go.umd.edu/4hgolf</u>

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Upcoming Events

One Health Careers Summit for Teens—NEW DATE—June 22, 2023

At the One Health Careers Summit, Maryland and West Virginia youth will have the opportunity to meet profes-sionals and learn about Animal Health, Environmental Health, and Human Health Careers and how they work to-gether under the One Health umbrella. The event will also advise youth interested in One Health careers on professional development and academic courses to prepare for their fu-One Health Careers ture.

Event Details:

Date: Thursday, June 22, 2023

Audience: Youth (4-H and non-4-H) ages 13+ (as of Jan 1) with a spark in animal sciences, environmental sciences, healthy living, and interested in learning about One Health careers. Participation Fee: \$10.00 per youth



Registration: Register via 4-HOnline. Limited registration to the first 25 youth who register; closes June 5 or when full. Non-4-H'ers can create a guest profile in 4-H Online to register for this event.

Location: Washington County Extension Office, 7303 Sharpsburg Pike, Boonsboro, MD 21713

Presenters include: Professionals from Maryland Department of Health, Maryland Department of Agriculture, Maryland Department of Environment, University of Maryland Extension, West Virginia University, and private industry!

Summit participants will:

- Interact with professionals and increase awareness in a variety of careers which fall under the One Health umbrella.

- Meet fellow 4-H'ers from around the region with similar interests in animal sciences, environmental sciences, and healthy living.

- Gain knowledge, understanding, and skills around career and college readiness.

- Network with professionals to identify opportunities for development in One Health.

For more information contact Chris Anderson, canders2@umd.edu or Kevin Huang, khuang14@umd.edu

If youth outside of 4-H want to register to participate, they will need to create a participant profile in 4-H Online, without enrolling as a 4-Her. For help, contact Kevin Huang, khuang14@umd.edu for more information on the process.

HOLD* State 4-H Shooting Sports Contest Dates

Please hold the following dates for the Maryland State 4-H Shooting Sports Contests:

- Rifle Contest Sunday, September 17, 2023
- Archery Contest Saturday, September 23, 2023
- Shotgun Contest Saturday, October 21, 2023

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

For more information and forms go to: <u>https://extension.umd.edu/locations/frederick-county/local-4-h-youth-education/ume-volunteers</u>

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

Enroll in 4-HOnline as a Volunteer to start the process.

• Go to <u>https://v2.4honline.com/</u>

•If you already have a family profile, while in your "Member List" click on "Add Member" and then complete *New Applicant* as your Volunteer position.

•If you are brand new to 4-H, please create a new account and then select *New Applicant* as your Volunteer position.

After you complete your enrollment in 4-HOnline, you will receive an email from Kim Krasauskis with the following steps for completing your 4-H Volunteer On Boarding:

- I. Background Check: Once you complete your 4-HOnline enrollment (#2 above), the Maryland 4-H office will send you an invitation email around the 1st or 15th of the month (depending on when you submitted your enrollment) through vendor *Sterling Volunteers*. THIS MUST BE COMPLETED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF RECEIVING THE INITIAL EMAIL FROM TheAdvocates@sterlingvolunteer.com or you will be DISMISSED by Maryland 4-H for one year and unable to volunteer with 4-H until completing the onboarding in 2024.
- ◊ 2. References: An Adobe Sign email will be sent to your 3 references listed in your 4-HOnline Screening, so they can complete the reference form digitally. Please let them know in advance so they can watch for the email coming from kkrasaus@umd.edu.
- 3. Volunteer Orientation Training -Please watch <u>this 4-H Volunteer Orientation Video</u> and then complete the Orientation Survey. I will automatically receive a notification of your completion of the 4-H Volunteer Orientation Training Survey.
- ♦ 4. Phone Interview To select a sign up time please go to: <u>https://calendly.com/erkline/4-h-volunteer-phone-interview</u>
- **5.** Signing an **Appointment Agreement and Position Description** via an Adobe Sign email that will be sent to you after Steps 1-4 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 about becoming a volunteer, please reach out to Kim Krasauskis at <u>kkrasaus@umd.edu</u> or 301-600-1595.



Frederick County 4-H Member Shout Outs!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MEMBERS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE 2023 MARYLAND 4-H LIVESTOCK SKILLATHON!

Juniors Adalyn E. Rank 12 Aubrey L. Rank 13 Kenlee N. Rank 15 Emmalyn P. Rank 34 Liam K. Rank 35 Rhett A. Rank 39 Intermediates Colton N. Rank 5 Gaige A. Rank 14 Blake L. Rank 18 Desmond G. Rank 21 Preston C. Rank 28 Seniors Liam G. Rank 15 Austin N. Rank 20 Kaitlynn B. Rank 22

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MEMBERS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE 2023 MARYLAND 4-H DAIRY SKILLATHON!

Individuals Intermediates Preston C. Rank 6 Individuals Seniors: Caroline C. Rank 2 Atley S. Rank 3 Zachary T. Rank 5 2023 4-H Dairy Skillathon—Station Scores Individuals Intermediates: Preston C. Rank 6 Aubrey S. Rank 12 Individuals Seniors: Caroline C. Rank 2 Atley S. Rank 3 Zachary T. Rank 5

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News and Notes from the Great Frederick Fair:

Weigh-ins:

June weigh-ins will be here before you know it. Please find the attached livestock registration form. This is to be completed for all market swine, goats, and lambs. **These are not for registered breeding animals**. Please fill out one form per species category. You will need to submit a completed **scanned copy (PDF for-mat)** directly to <u>cjwolf@thegreatfrederickfair.com</u> by 4pm, June 1st. We ask that you do not submit pictures but scan the forms back due to resolution issues when printing. You are also welcome to drop them off at the fair office during 8:30am-4pm. If you need any assistance, please reach out to me and I will be happy to help.



Swine Weigh-In:

Swine weigh-in is Saturday June 3rd from 8am – 4pm. Please use this link to sign up for a time slot. <u>Sign-ups will close</u> June 1st so please register before then.

• Bred & Owned paperwork is required at weigh-in. GFF records AND 4-H breeding records (from your record book) are acceptable. A blank GFF bred & owned form is attached to this email.

Steps to sign-up through signupgenius:

- 1 Click on the link <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E49ACAC2CA6F4C70-swine1</u>
- 2. Pick the time slot you would like (there are 4 slots *(one per trailer)* available per 30 minutes) and click on "submit and sign up" on the bottom of the page.

3. Fill in your information including all family names that will be arriving on your trailer. (If you have more than 12 hogs coming on your trailer, please change the "quantity" within your sign-up to 2. This will sign you up for 2 of the 4 available slots within that 30 minutes. This will allow us more time to accommodate the larger number of animals you are bringing.)

- ****If you are only signing up for 1 of the slots within the time frame, please leave the "quantity" at 1.****
- 4. Fill in all required fields and click "sign up now" at the bottom of the page.

5. Once you have registered you will receive an email confirmation.

**Swine REMINDER: All market hogs coming to weigh-in <u>MUST be fully healed</u> from ear notching and castration. All market hogs are required to be ear notched and castrated. If you need assistance, please reach out to me or the superintendents so we can help.

Last year was a success and the waiting line was kept short, but please be patient with us the day of. If you have any questions or trouble with registering, reach out to me.

Sheep/Goat Weigh-in:

Sheep/Goat weigh-in will be Monday, June 5th from 4:30pm – 7:30pm. There is no sign-up for this; it will be first come first serve.

• Bred & Owned paperwork is required at weigh-in. GFF records AND 4-H breeding records (from your record book) are acceptable. A blank GFF bred & owned form is attached to this email.



**Lamb/Goat REMINDER: Make sure you appropriately assign your animals as "market or commercial" on the registration forms. Animals will be tagged according to your papers. Once they are tagged, they will ONLY be eligible to show in the appropriate breeding/market shows both here and MD State Fair. They cannot be shown as both market and breeding, only one or the other. A commercial lamb/goat is classified as a "non-registered breeding animal" meaning they do not have breed registration papers from respective breed associations. If you have questions about this please reach out. All commercial breeding animals must be tagged with our GFF Youth Livestock tag.

News and Notes from the Great Frederick Fair (Continued)

Youth Building Workshop Day:

Save the date! We will be holding a workshop day for departments in the youth building on Thursday, July 20th. Each dept. workshop will be approx. an hour and will run consecutively throughout the day. More information on workshop topics and times will be sent out in the next youth update.

Champions Choice Lamb & Goat Camps:

"Champions Choice Lamb Camp was started many years ago and is still lead by the Judge, Breeder, Agri-Science Education Teacher and FFA Advisor that started it, Tracy Dendinger. She has devoted her life to helping our Agricultural Youth become



some of the most stand-out individuals across the country. From the Lambing Barn to the Show Ring, and the Awards Stage, she has guided many lambs, teams and individuals to the top. From the 9-year-old beginner showman to the 18-year-old "pros", she has techniques, advice, critique and skills they all can and will use in and out of the show ring."

Champions Choice will be holding a 1-day camp for sheep and market goats on May 21st here at the fairgrounds from 9am-6pm. This is a nationally recognized workshop that will enhance any showman's confidence in and outside the ring. Youth are responsible for bringing their own animal to work with.

The Krietz Customs Community Livestock Fund has generously offered to sponsor the registration fee for any youth member that attends. Please use this sign-up link as your registration <u>https://forms.gle/88zxeGdptk3AaAtY7</u> (do not sign-up through their website). We will take care of getting your information to Champions Choice. For more information, check out their website or facebook page.

Online Entries:

Showorks will open June 15th. An email with instructions will be sent out closer to the date.

Reminders:

Scholarships (DEADLINE ON MONDAY):

Scholarships for 2023 close May 1st!! The Great Frederick Fair is offering TEN \$1,000 scholarships along with TWO \$2,500 Joe Free Memorial Scholarships. Additional sponsored scholarships may be available closer to fair; information TBA. (Ambassador applications will stick with the August deadline) Link to apply: <u>https://forms.gle/d6fNjbc11TEQ54m7A</u>

Beef weight checks: The scales are available to use again this year to check weights of your steers. They will be open the second Monday of each month from 6:30 – 7:30pm (dates below). Please register to come so we know who to expect. The scales will not be opened if no one signs up by the Friday before the date, meaning walk-ins will not be available.

Sign-up: https://forms.gle/nvsgdPV7ZynRgKT46

- May 8th
- June 12th
- July 10th
- August 14th



Market Steer Registration papers:

There are still several youth that have not turned in their breed association papers for market steers. All steers that I do not have papers for by May 15th will be shown in the crossbred market class. If you are unsure if you have, please reach out to Carrie Wolf <u>cjwolf@thegreatfrederickfair.com</u>





Valley Urbanites

Valley Urbanites 4-H Club is looking forward to a great year! It's hard to believe it's April already! At our January meeting the officers were installed- President- **Lillian**, Vice President and Treasurer- **Rhiannon**, Secretary- **Sara**, Game Leader- **Eryn**, and Song Leader, Sargeant of Arms, and Snack Coordinator- **Emma**. **Mrs. Sturtz** led a craft and each member made a wreath ornament out of green pipe cleaners as a club entry for the fair.

At the February meeting, **Isaiah** and **Elias** gave a demonstration on how to make rocket flingers out of pool noodles. All members present made one. They were fun to make and then play with! On February 11, members went to the Record Street Ladies Home to play Bingo and have a Valentine's Day Party. All the ladies and members enjoyed playing Bingo with a quarter being the prize for winners. After Bingo, everyone enjoyed homemade cookies, cheese curls, and punch. Members served the ladies refreshments and handed out their homemade Valentines. At the March meeting, members celebrated St. Patrick's Day by making small wreaths by tying green strips of fabric to a jar lid. Members are looking forward to doing hands-on community service projects.



Bingo Party at Record Street Ladies Home



Isaiah and **Elias** doing a Rocket Flinger demonstration



Elias and his craft flower made at the April meeting



Shookstown

The Shookstown 4-H Club met in March.

Triston H. gave a demonstration on his Seramas. He showed the correct way to place and remove poultry from cages. The head should be first to keep from injuring the bird. While answering questions from the group members were allowed to hold the Serama.

Colton B. gave a demonstration on how to make a bookmark with straws and yarn. **Colton** was there to help members get started.

We used the end of the meeting to start making Christmas cards for local Nursing homes. We used stamps, markers and recycled Christmas card fronts to make Christmas cards. We gave to five Nursing homes last year as a community service project.

This month's community service project we collected snacks to give to the hospital staff for their hours of care and service they give to the community.

The last thing we did was to sign a Thank You card to a person who gave us cuttings off a Spider plant. Hopefully they will grow large enough to enter in the Frederick Fair.

Our next meeting will be in May.

Submitted by Triston H. reporter.





Kaleidoscope

Kaleidoscope has had a great couple of months. In March we held our monthly meeting on the 13th and discussed our scrapbooking day and canning day. We did our demos for this year and everyone did a great job and we had a variety of demos ranging from baking to sports to service projects and personal interests.

In April, we made our club crafts at our monthly meeting and have planned an upcoming canning day.

May will be busy, with members working on their individual fair projects, meetings, and more.

Club Reporter: Breana S.



Kaleidoscope Club working on their crafts

All Things Equine

On March 11, members competed in the state Horse Bowl competition at University of MD College Park. The Junior Team placed 3rd Overall. **Penny** placed 2nd Overall and **Wendy** placed 10th Overall. The Intermediate Team placed 6th Overall and **Molly** placed 10th Individually. The Senior Team from Frederick placed 2nd Overall and the Scramble Team which had 3 Frederick members placed 1st. **Olivia** placed 1st, **Stella** placed 3rd, and **Breana** placed 8th in Individual Scores.

Many current members from these teams are now practicing for the horse judging competition, which will take place in June.

Reporter: Elena S.



Group picture taken at the last Horse Bowl practice



Senior members from the Frederick Team who placed 2nd



Rabbit Raisers



Rabbit Raisers 4-H Club at the Library Event The Rabbit Raisers 4-H Club held an event at the Library.





Forever 4Hers

Jefferson Veterinary Hospital

The Forever 4Hers Club took a trip to the Jefferson Veterinary Hospital for their monthly meeting.









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Calico Clovers







The Calico Clover 4-H members have been having lots of fun while learning along the way. We held our annual craft day at the 4-H Camp Center. We made bird houses, ceramics, pillows, no sew blankets and cookies.

Mr. Capps talked to members about how he trains dogs.





Members prepared and served dinner in March to the Jefferson Ruritan members. We worked together and greatly appreciated the donation given to the club by the Ruritan members.





Members handed out water for the Makin Hay 5 K Run and picking up trash along St Mark's Road on April 22.

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