



UPCOMING EVENTS

March

- **March 4** - 4-H Robotics Interest Meeting
- **March 8** - County 4-H Public Speaking
- **March 29** - UME closed for Good Friday

April

- **April 4** - \$4 for 4-H
- **April 20** - 4-H/FFA tagging
- **April 23** - 4-H Achievement Bingo
- **April 27** - MD Day

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4-H COUNTY PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

The Allegany County 4-H Public Speaking Contest is scheduled for **Friday, March 8, 6:30 p.m.** at the Allegany County Fairgrounds.

Speech Categories for Clovers (no judging):

- 4-H Pledge
- Show & Tell (5 minutes or less)

Speech Categories for all other 4-H Members (judged):

- 30-second Radio Spot
- Prepared Speech
- Extemporaneous
- Interpretation (Dramatic, Poetry, or Humorous)
- Demonstration
- Visual Presentation

The judged categories have specific time limits and are judged according to 4-H age divisions:

Junior (age 8 to 10); Intermediate (age 11 to 13); and Senior (age 14 to 18). Members can participate in more than one category.

Nervous when speaking in public? Try a radio spot...you are behind a curtain/wall so you are heard but not seen.

For complete rules and to register by March 6:

- Go to <https://forms.gle/qD9RQHEpGj2FeQC3A> or
- Email jparrish@umd.edu or
- Call 301-724-3320

Youth who receive Champion placing for their age division at their 2024 local public speaking contest are eligible to participate in the Maryland 4-H Public Speaking Contest at the University of Maryland on April 27.





4-H Robotics

Interest Meeting

Contact Jessica Mellon,
4-H Educator
for more info- jmellon2@umd.edu

Monday, March 4
6:30 pm
Allegany High School
Room 110

University programs, activities, and facilities are available to all without regard to race, color, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, marital status, age, national origin, political affiliation, physical or mental disability, religion, protected veteran status, genetic information, personal appearance, or any other legally protected class.

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in any event or activity, please contact Jessica Mellon on or before Feb 26 at 301-724-3320.

ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT BINGO! TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024 ALLEGANY COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

We're inviting all families to join us on Tuesday, April 23 at 6:00 p.m. for an evening of 4-H bingo and 4-H celebrations! *4-H Celebration Bingo* will consist of rounds of bingo and a celebration of our 4-H members and volunteers. Record book and volunteers awards will be presented throughout the evening.

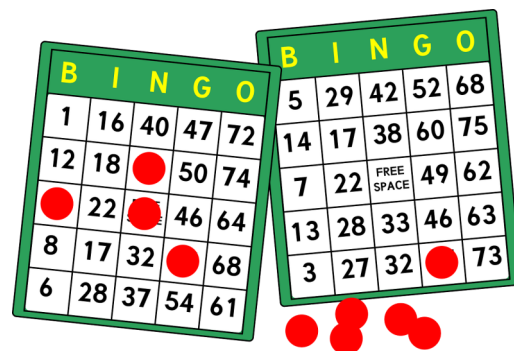
4-H will provide pizza and drinks. We are requesting each family to bring a quick and easy dessert such as brownies, cookies, cereal bars, cupcakes, etc.

Door prizes will be awarded for each bingo round. If you are able to provide a door prize (not required), let us know when you register

You may register here <https://forms.gle/JwhEPzLWrCQa8pyL6> or email tonri@umd.edu with the following information by **April 19**.

- Phone/Email
- Door Prize—Y/N
- 4-H members willing to help with announcements
- Help with set up or tear down

We hope to see you there!



Livestock News & Updates

SPRING 4-H LIVESTOCK TAGGING

Tagging will be held **Saturday, April 20** at the Allegany County Fairgrounds. Tagging will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 12 p.m. Only these animals will be tagged:

- Market - Lambs, Goats, Swine, Feeder Steers
- Breeding - Beef, Sheep, Meat Goats, Dairy Goats

Registration forms from this tagging are due May 1.

A second tagging will be held **May 29, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.** at the fairgrounds. Only these animals will be tagged:

- Feeder Steers
- State Fair entries

Registration forms from this tagging are due June 1.

LIVESTOCK REGISTRATIONS FORMS

Livestock registration forms (tagged April 20) are due May 1:

- ◆ County Bred Entry Forms
- ◆ Bred & Owned Entry Forms
- ◆ Breeding Animals and Registered Animals
- ◆ Horse and Horse Lease (if applicable)

Livestock registration forms are due June 1

- ◆ Feeder Steers tagged on **May 29**
- ◆ State Fair Entries - Market Lambs, Market Goats, Market Swine
- ◆ Rabbit - Tattoo identification required
- ◆ Poultry - Band identification required (Market bands will be available from the 4-H Office.)

No Exceptions to Deadlines

Free Chicks for 4-H Market Poultry Projects

Southern States of Cumberland offers free chicks for any Allegany County 4-H member who wants to do a market chicken project. Each applicant will receive up to five (5) free chicks (Cornish cross) and one 10-pound bag of starter feed. Additional chicks may be purchased. For an application, email jparrish@umd.edu.

Application deadline to be announced.

4-H Happenings



High Rock Club Officers for 2024

Makenna Garlitz, Secretary; Jacob Ritchie, Vice President; Lawson Ritchie, President; Anthony Simon, Historian, Savannah Kimble, Treasurer; and Kaleb Ritchie, Reporter

CONGRATULATIONS!

- Bailey Stonestreet was the first to turn in a record book for 2023!
- Savannah Kimble was the winner of the main door prize at the 4-H Open House!

4-H OPEN HOUSE

Thank you to all the 4-H clubs, members, and volunteers who helped make our event a success!



HAVE YOU ENROLLED IN 4-H FOR 2024?

To ensure you receive our monthly newsletters and other important updates, please complete your enrollment as soon as possible.



To enroll in Maryland 4-H Online, you need to use Firefox, Chrome, or Safari web browsers. Internet Explorer does not support 4-H Online enrollment.

Go to <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>

- Enrollments for new members are due by June 1, 2024, to be eligible to participate in the county and state fairs.
- Enrollments for returning volunteers must be completed by March 1 to prevent a break in service.

If you have any issues re-enrolling, please don't hesitate to contact our office at 301-724-3320 or jparrish@umd.edu. If you have a profile, please do not create a new one.



Go online at <https://go.umd.edu/4for4-H> to donate.

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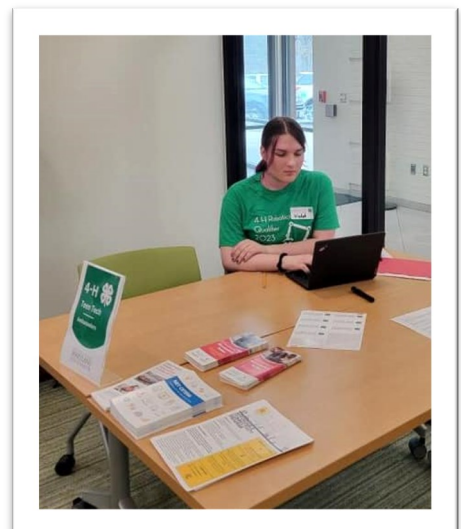
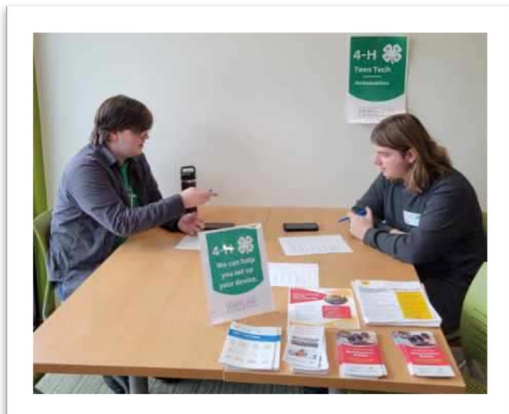
April 4

4-H Teen Tech Ambassadors

Our 4-H Teen Tech Ambassadors are proud to be supporting our community's connected device distribution. It's not too late to help with this project. Email Jessica if interested, jmellon2@umd.edu.

More information about the program here

<https://alleganygov.org/1811/Connected-Device-Program>.

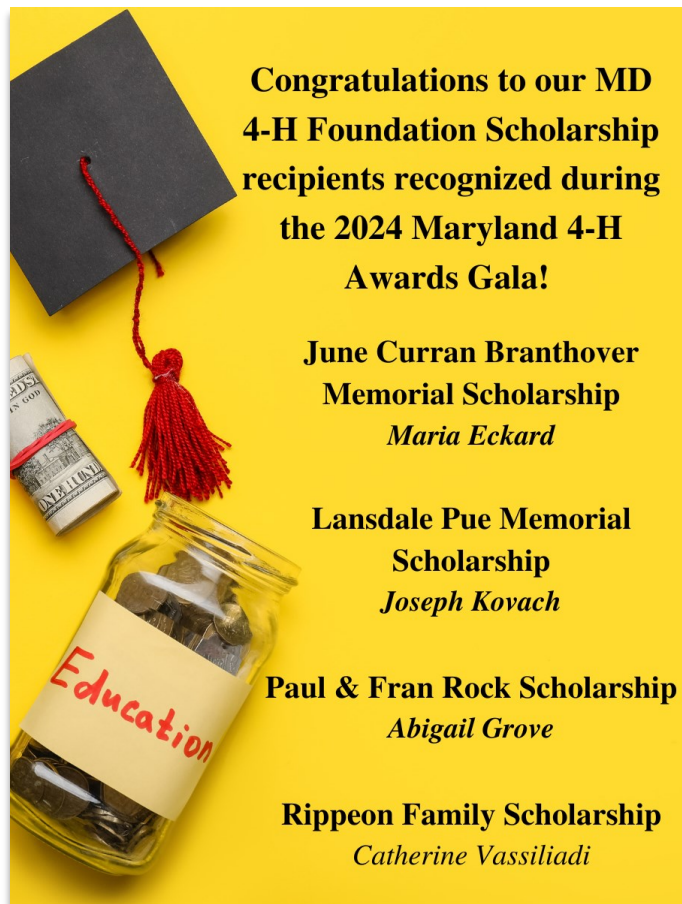




- ★ Peighton Bradley
- ★ Madeline Brodbeck
- ★ Stella Cain
- ★ Heather Currie
- ★ Destiny Davidson
- ★ Brock Dunnington
- ★ Makenna Garlitz
- ★ Dayton Geiger
- ★ Meghan Geil
- ★ Cameron Harman
- ★ Sarah Hershberger
- ★ Heidi Houser
- ★ Catherine Kaylor
- ★ Emily Kaylor
- ★ Samantha Marks
- ★ Holdyn Raines
- ★ Hunter Raines
- ★ Navya Rathod
- ★ Jolene Shafer
- ★ Harley Tuttle

NEW TEEN ACTIVITY CLUB

A new club for teens, Creative Teens 4-H Club for members ages 14-18, will start in April. Activities will include crafts, grow and arrange flowers, and bake treats to share. For more information, email Dione Clark Trub at dione62426@yahoo.com.



**Congratulations to our MD
4-H Foundation Scholarship
recipients recognized during
the 2024 Maryland 4-H
Awards Gala!**

**June Curran Branthover
Memorial Scholarship**
Maria Eckard

**Lansdale Pue Memorial
Scholarship**
Joseph Kovach

Paul & Fran Rock Scholarship
Abigail Grove

Rippeon Family Scholarship
Catherine Vassiliadi

ALLEGANY & GARRETT COUNTY BACKYARD BUFFER PROGRAM 2024

Participants will each receive a packet of 25 bare root tree seedlings. To be eligible, you must have property in Allegany or Garrett County along a waterway where you plan to plant your trees. This year's packets will include 5 each of hazelnut, serviceberry, spicebush, swamp white oak and yellow poplar. No custom packets or substitutions can be made. Requests to participate must be received by March 15, 2024.

For more information and to sign up, visit <https://forms.gle/AtAUCe2SemM3ZQbo8>



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