

For Immediate Release
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North Glade 4-H Club News

Ryaa Brenneman, Reporter

The North Glade 4-H club met on Wednesday January 21, 2026, at the Swanton Community Center. We began by thanking our 2025 officers for their service to our club. We installed our new officers: Matthew Stoner- President, Autumn Custer- Vice President, Marshall Green- Treasurer, Madelyn McKnight- Secretary, and Ryaa Brenneman- Reporter. Raelynn Brenneman led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H pledge. Reporter Ryaa Brenneman took roll call. President Matthew Stoner read the Secretary's Report and Treasurer Marshall Green read the Treasurer's Report.

Vice President Autumn Custer read the old business: The club voted to purchase and donate poinsettias and a cookie tray to the Swanton Community Center. Thank you to all who were involved in delivering the items. Beef Fall weigh-in was held in November at the fairgrounds. We held our Christmas party in November at the Ag Heritage Hall, and we voted on our 2026 officers at this meeting. Our existing 4-H club members who showed livestock in 2025 are allowed two meetings running from fair to fair. New livestock exhibitors can only miss one meeting from January to the fair.

President Matthew Stoner read the new business: Record books are due to the extension office by January 31st. 4-H enrollment needs to be completed by January 31st. New for 2026: The GCLA Livestock Sale will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 8, 2026. All animals must remain on the fairgrounds until 11:00 p.m. Saturday, following the fair and carnival closure. Exhibitors planning to bring meat rabbits (pen of three) or broiler chickens (pen of two) will be required to complete a livestock card by June 1st to the UME to be eligible for the livestock sale at the fair. To be eligible to exhibit and/or sell a species of animal at the Garrett County Fair, the person seeking to exhibit and/or sell must meet the following criteria:

- 1) The exhibitor and animal must reside in Garrett County or 10 air miles of the Garrett County border.

2) If the exhibitor and/or animal do not reside in Garrett County or 10 air miles of the Garrett County border, the exhibitor may apply to the Garrett County Fair Board Livestock Advisory Committee for a special exemption to the rule above.

GCLA annual Ag Bash will be held on April 25th from 12-4 p.m. The Garrett County Fair date is now August 1st to August 8th. The club decided to donate \$50 to Ava Cosner's project for the watering system for the poultry at the GC fair.

Reporter Ryaa Brenneman read the announcements:

Save the dates;

January 31st- Record books and Livestock Contracts due to the extension office

January 31st- 4-H online enrollment is due

March 29th- Achievement program at the Ag Heritage - 2 p.m.

April 25th- GCLA Ag Bash at the Ag Heritage Hall - 12-4 p.m.

May 8th- Spring Weigh-in

May 9th- Western Maryland District Show

August 1-8- Garrett County Fair

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on February 18th at the Swanton Community Center.