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North Glade 4-H Club News ***Ryaa Brenneman, Reporter***

The North Glade 4-H club met on Wednesday, February 18, 2026. President Matthew Stoner opened the meeting. We then said the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge. Secretary Madelyn Mcknight took attendance and read the secretary's report. Then, Treasurer Marshall Green read the Treasurer's report.

Vice President Autumn Custer read the Old Business: The 2026 officers were installed. Record Books and Livestock contracts were turned into the extension office in January. Members all enrolled in 4-H online in January. The club voted to make a \$50 donation to Ava Cosner to benefit her Diamond Clover Project to improve the water system in the chicken barn at the fairgrounds. Fair dates changed to August 1st to August 8th. Ag Bash will be held on April 25th instead of in the fall. The GCLA Livestock Sale will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday August 8th. Exhibitors planning on bringing meat rabbits (pen of three) or broiler chickens (pen of two) to the fair will be required to complete a livestock card by June 1st to the UME 4-H office 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.

President Matthew read the new business: The club discussed our next outreach project. Levi Bernard motioned to purchase chocolate eggs and prepare baskets for elderly people in the community. Hunter Wolford second the motion. Tickets were distributed for the GCLA Ag Bash for members to sell. All members must sell them and turn them back in at the March meeting. If you need more tickets, reach

out to Jackie Wright or a member of the livestock association. The Achievement Program will be held on March 29th at the Ag Heritage Hall from 2-4 p.m. For any member who attends, this will count as a makeup meeting. Our club will also provide a door prize donation at the event. Lacie Ashby spoke to the club on 2026 livestock guidebook changes: All livestock families will get a revised copy of the guidebook with their Spring Weigh-in/District Show packets. The Extension Office will also provide them. It is also on our facebook page. The recent released MDA Fairs and Shows Animal Health regulations shared that Maryland CVI's are valid for 60 days (no longer 120 days). Therefore health paper requirements have been updated in the guidebook as well. Health papers are required for any MD fairs and shows, including the Western Maryland District Show. However, health papers will not be required at spring weigh-in if you are only weighing, tagging and going back home. Be prepared that if you show at the District Show, you need a vet check before that show and an additional vet check before the fair (within 60 days from the fair). If you only show at the fair, make sure your vet check is within 60 days from the fair.

Reporter Ryaa Brenneman read the announcements: Save the dates;

February 28th- Broiler Project Orders due

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

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

May 8th- Spring Weigh-in

May 9th- Western Maryland District Show

August 1st - August 8th- Garrett County Fair

August 27th- September 13th- Maryland State Fair

Our club had a special speaker, Kenzie Mousch, who is a Healthy Living Educator. She spoke about healthy habits and looking at nutrition labels. Madison Beckman motioned to adjourn the meeting and Hunter Wolford second the motion. The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on March 18th at 6 p.m. at the Swanton Community Center.