4-H Department X – SPECIAL 4-H PROGRAMS

CLUB EXHIBITS

Club Booths and Banners are now in 4-H Department T – 4-H and FFA Promotion.

Club Scrapbooks
Juniors - X101  Intermediates – X201  Seniors – X301

Clubs may enter one scrapbook per club, per year. Name of club must be on the front cover of the book. The same book may be entered year after year, but current years’ update must be in a separate divided section each year with a minimum of five pages added per year. All information must be in clear protective coverings. If clubs enter the same book yearly, current year’s additions will be judged. However, all information must be included. Must include “AA Statement” and proper clover emblem somewhere on book cover.

JUDGING CRITERIA:
1. 25% - HISTORY OF CLUB FROM DATE OF BEGINNING TO CURRENT YEAR - This means the who, when, and how of how the club got started. Include club officers, members, leaders, and other information pertaining to history as well as how club name was chosen.
2. 25% - PICTURES OF CLUB - Pictures reflecting club activities, officers, ceremonies, etc.
3. 15% - ORGANIZATION OF BOOK – The scrapbook should be organized and in a logical order.
4. 20% - CLUB PLANS FOR FUTURE - Include plans to ensure the future of the club for years and members to come and a yearly club planning calendar to provide Education, Fun Activities, Leadership and Service.
5. 15% - EXPANDABLE COVER – The cover can be made of any design, materials and originality counts, but needs to be expandable for future additions and must be sturdy as the public will want to see your history display.

Club Community Service Project
Juniors - X102  Intermediates – X202  Seniors – X302

This is a club project, not an individual project. Only clubs may enter this class and any awards will be paid to the club, not an individual. Your entry may list several projects but will be judged as one. Acknowledgement can and should be made to the individual who came up with the idea and those who actually led the project. The display must be on a free-standing display board and be readable from a distance of 10 feet. It must include pictures and descriptions.

JUDGING CRITERIA:
1. Type of Project Product or Service 10%
2. Intent of Project Why do this project? What will the Project do for club/community? 10%
3. Process of Project How you carried out this project. 20%
4. Involvement of Others Club members, other organizations, community members, businesses, donations. 25%
5. Results of Project What happened as a result of your project? 25%
6. Continuation of Project What/Where from Here? 10%
7. “AA Statement” and correct clover must be attached to display.

Club Garden
Juniors - X103  Intermediates – X203  Seniors – X303

Clubs and/or teams are encouraged to adopt a new or keep their existing garden/flower area. Please check with Joan Mauritzen (410) 255-4213 to let her know that you will be participating in this on-going project. This project/contest is being put in place to showcase your garden area as well as the fairgrounds on a year round basis. Premiums will be the same as other club projects and will be made payable to the club, not the individuals.

Guidelines:
1. April-October monthly visits to maintain your area, keep it free from weeds, trash, etc. and planting of flowers.
2. If you have an area next to any building no trees may be planted due to maintenance and overtaking by tree roots, branches, etc. It is best to check with Fair President, Joan, or 4-H staff before planting trees anywhere on the grounds. When contacting these people please know where and what kind of tree you want to plant.
3. When planting your garden, please be aware of evading species that could spread and take over other areas.
4. Fair President or designee will check gardens at a set time each month to see that they are up to par. We will send everyone a schedule of work days and check updates once established. A point system will be established for judging and sent to all.
5. Fair/4-H is not responsible for the loss of plants, decorations, or anything else that is used in gardens.
6. Please make note that plants may need to be watered during the hot dry months. When stopping by the fair please check in at the office to let someone know you are there, so that you don’t accidently get locked inside the gate.
7. Plan workdays, watering, etc. with the fair schedule. Many weekends the fairgrounds are rented and you will not be able to access your garden area.
8. Bring your own tools to work with, including a garden hose for watering. Once you receive your garden area you will be given a chart with location to nearest water hook up and mulch pile for your use.
9. Use of fair equipment is prohibited (tractors, golf cart, etc.) unless you make prior arrangements with the fair staff certified to run the equipment.
10. Once you receive your garden area it is up to your club/group to maintain it. It will remain your area until you tell Joan otherwise, or you continually do not maintain it, upon which time it will be reassigned.
11. Each garden area should have a small sign stating the club name/team. The 4-H office upon request will supply a small laminated AA statement sign for your garden.