Join us for a fun and interactive afternoon of 4-H Exploration!

There will be stations for:

- Meeting local 4-H Clubs
- 4-H Projects
- 4-H Fair Information
- Science, Citizenship & Healthy Living programs
- Contests
- Robotics Demo
- Passport for a door prize
- Check out small animals
- Refreshments
- Fair Board

February 20, 2015 from 4 - 7 pm
Snow Date February 27th at 4 pm
1114 Shawan Road, Cockeysville, MD 21030
Please call and reserve your spot today at 410-887-8090.
**Huggable Hummers Supports the Mirasol School in Peru**

The 4-H club Huggable Hummers have been helping support a school in Peru called Mirasol. The Mirasol School is a school for the children of alpaca shepherds. The children have to walk a great distance to get to the school, so they stay there from Sunday to Friday. The students need a lot of different things like school supplies and toiletries. The Huggable Hummers have sent donations to the school like USB drives, socks, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and wash cloths. We included pictures of us working with alpacas, and letters we wrote about ourselves and our lives. Our group bought items to send, and we raised some money by making earrings and felt soap kits that we sold at the Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival. The children were excited to receive the donations, and they wrote letters back to us. We are going to write back to them, and we have asked the school for another list of what they need the most. Please look at the nice website of the school, www.mirasol.com.pe, for more information and to make a donation.

— Written by Ella Rosenberg
MARYLAND 4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST RULES

1. The contest consists of five categories:
   - Clover Show and Tell and 4-H Pledge
   - Prepared Speech
   - Extemporaneous
   - Radio Spot
   - Interpretations

   Speeches are given by individuals, not teams.

2. Each of the above categories includes four age groups:
   - Clovers: 5-7
   - Junior: 8-10
   - Intermediate: 11-13
   - Senior: 14-18

   Ages are as of January 1st of the current year.

3. Time Limits:
   - Clover Show and Tell: 1-3 min. and
   - Clover/Junior 4-H Pledge: 1-2 mins.
   - Prepared: Juniors: 3 to 5 minutes, Intermediates and Seniors: 4 to 6 minutes;
   - Extemporaneous: Juniors and Intermediates: 2 to 3 minutes, Seniors: 3 to 5 minutes;
   - Radio Spot: 30 seconds for Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors.
   - Interpretations: Juniors - 1 ½ to 3 minutes, Intermediates - 2 to 4 minutes, Seniors - 3 to 5 minutes;

   Judges may deduct points for presentations not meeting or exceeding time limits.

4. Visual aids, including posters, are not permitted.
   Appropriate gestures are encouraged. For Dramatic Interpretation, contestant may opt to sit for presentation. Podium use is optional.

5. Prepared Speech contestants may speak on any topic. It may be wise to discuss topics that could be considered controversial with your 4-H leader or educator before the contest. The speech may be written for a specific audience, such as a 4-H club, PTA, or a Rotary Club. Note cards containing a key word outline are permitted. Only juniors may use a complete script. Memorization is not encouraged.

6. Extemporaneous speakers will draw three topics and choose one topic to speak on. Juniors and Intermediates may have up to 30 minutes and Seniors up to 15 minutes to prepare their talk. Contestants may use one side of up to four, or both sides of up to two, 5 x 8 inch note cards to their key word outline. Extemporaneous speakers will be shown color time cards at correctly timed intervals indicating “30 SECONDS”, “1 MINUTE” AND “STOP”.

7. Prepared Speech, Extemporaneous Speech and Interpretations contestants should not introduce themselves as part of their presentation. This will be done by an MC or room Host/Hostess.

8. Radio spots should be exactly 30 seconds in length and may include a musical or sound effect introduction and/or background, but may not include a spoken introduction or “tag” by anyone other than the contestant. If music or a sound effect is used, the contestant must provide and operate the sound-making device. The contestants will provide a complete written script (including notations about music/sound effects) to the timekeeper to aid in timing accuracy. Musical/sound effect introductions and endings are considered a part of the radio spot and must not cause the 30 second time limit to be exceeded. The spot should relate to 4-H, be original and be created by the contestant.

9. Interpretations: Interpretations are to be memorized oral interpretation or a selection of narrative in language of speaker’s choice. Interpretations consist of three categories:
   - Dramatic Interpretation
     a. Oral interpretation, memorized by the speaker or a serious selection of narrative or dramatic literature. Monologues are acceptable.
     b. Mime – use your body to create an interpretation
     c. Poetry Interpretation – a memorized oral interpretation by the speaker.
     d. Humorous Interpretation – a memorized oral interpretation of a humorous selection by the speaker. Cuttings may be taken from published plays or prose.

10. Judges may ask questions of contestants in the prepared, extemporaneous and interpretations categories related to the topic. Due to time constraints, questioning should be limited to two or three minutes per speaker. Questions will not be asked in the radio spot category.

11. Clover Show and Tell participants are ages 5-7 and have the opportunity to share any special toy, collectible or other favorite item with the audience. Clovers will have 1-3 min to showcase their special item followed by a question answer period with the audience.

12. Clover/Junior Pledge Clovers ages 5-7 and Juniors ages 8-10 will recite the 4-H pledge to the audience.

Baltimore County 4-H Public Speaking Contest
March 13, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Baltimore County Ag Center, 1114 Shawan Road, Cockeysville, MD 21030
Register by March 2, 2015
Other Rules:

1. **Contestants** are to bring two (2) copies of the script including reference. Language other than spoken English must be translated.

2. **Speaker** can speak or interpret in language of their choice. If using language other than spoken English, participant must inform Extension Office before the event to ensure appropriate judges.

3. The champions from the county contest will be sent to the State Contest that is held in April.

4. **At the State Contest**, a contestant may only compete in one category. If a contestant wins more than one category at the County Contest, they must choose which category to compete in at the State Contest.

State Champions may not enter the same category and age group a second time.

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**A Summer Day Camp for youth 8-10 years old and a 2nd session for youth 11-13 years old**

Due to incredible popularity last summer the camp will be offered in 2 sessions. The first one runs from August 10-14 from 8:30 - 4:30 for youth 8-10 yrs. old. Then a second session will be offered from August 17-21 from 8:30 - 4:30 for youth 11-13 yrs. old.

A wonderful adventure - Farm Camp sows the seeds of responsibility, respect, community and stewardship.

You can expect your child to have a hands-on farm experience learning about planting and harvesting vegetables, bees and honey, eggs and chickens, bunnies and goats, feeding and caring for animals, farm equipment, and more. While there is a focus on farming, campers will also have a well-rounded camp experience participating in activities like arts and crafts, games, and nature exploration.

**Contact MARC for more information at:**

Maryland Agricultural Resource Council
1114 Shaw Road, Suite 2
Cockeysville, MD 21030
410.887.8973
www.marylandagriculture.org

**When:**

- **Session 1 August 10 – 14**
  - 8:30 am – 4:30 pm
- **Session 2 August 17-21**
  - 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

**Who:**

- limited to 20 kids ages 8-10 session 1
- limited to 20 kids ages 11-13 session 2

**Where:**

1114 Shawan Road,
Cockeysville, MD 21030

**Cost:** $250 per child price includes; t-shirt, snacks and all materials.

**To register online:** https://farm-camp-15.

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**Maryland 4-H Engineering Camp**

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4-H Campgrounds. Registration will open in February.

“IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN A 4-H ACTIVITY, PLEASE CONTACT THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND EXTENSION AT 410-887-8090 AT LEAST TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO THE ACTIVITY DATE.”
NEW ONLINE ENROLLMENT AND RE-ENROLLMENT

Beginning in January, the Maryland 4-H Program transitioned to a NEW enrollment/re-enrollment system called 4-H ONLINE. Our club leaders have recently attended a training on the new enrollment system and will be able to provide some guidance as you register your families online. The re-enrollment period for 2015 will be January 1, 2015 - March 31, 2015. Each family will create a profile on the system and enroll UME trained volunteers and 4-H youth under the family profile. The behavioral expectations are also on the new system and will be maintained electronically. Club leaders will let families know how their specific club enrollment, re-enrollment fee and club dues process will proceed. Club leaders also have Family Handbooks to walk families step by step through enrollment. UME volunteers not associated with a club will also use this system to create a profile and enroll themselves. The link for the new online system is:

https://md.4honline.com

Please contact the 4-H office if you have any questions through this transition 410-887-8090 or wendydil@umd.edu

SUMMER INTERN

The UME Baltimore County 4-H office is seeking a highly motivated summer intern to assist with Baltimore County 4-H programs between May and August 2015. Programs will include but are not limited to county fair tours, summer camps, market animal program, volunteer development, social media marketing and general office assistance. Previous 4-H experience is preferred but not required. All interested candidates ages 19 or older should contact Nia Imani Fields at 410-887-8090 or Nfields@umd.edu. Open until position filled. Equal Opportunity Employer.

Baltimore County 4-H Was Well Recognized at 4-H Gala

The images show a group of people at an event. The group includes members of the 4-H program and other attendees. The setting appears to be a formal gathering, possibly a gala or a similar event, with tables adorned with floral arrangements and guests in formal attire. The event seems to be a celebration of the achievements of the 4-H program, with members and leaders proudly displaying their recognitions.
Achievement Night

It's that time again! We are preparing for our annual Achievement Event where we recognize the achievements of our 4-Hers and contributions of our dedicated volunteers. This will be an exciting year with the 6th annual Club Banner contest, 4-Her presentations, finger foods and awards!

Finger Foods and Refreshments
served: 3:00 – 3:30 p.m.
Program begins promptly at: 3:45 p.m.

In order to make this evening a success, we are asking for a $5.00 donation from each family in attendance. In order for us to plan appropriately, we are asking that RSVP forms and donations be returned to the office by March 16, 2015.

Call the office for more details 410-887-8090.

Sunday, March 22, 2015
Oregon Ridge Park
13555 Beaver Dam Road
Cockeysville, MD 21030

Equal Opportunity/Equal Access Programs.

2015 Achievement Event RSVP and Donation Form

Please make checks payable to BCEAC and send to
Baltimore County 4-H, 1114 Shawan Road, Suite 2, Cockeysville, MD 21030.

I would like to RSVP for the following number of guests to attend the Baltimore County 4-H Achievement Night:

_________________ 4-Hers
_________________ Adults

Club/program: _______________________________________________________

Name: _______________________________________________________ Contact Number: ______________________

Address: _______________________________________________________________________________________

Donation Enclosed: $_________________
Baltimore County 4-H will be holding a 2015 STEM Camp program from July 6-10. Campers will explore the scientific method and engineering design through hands on activities and experiments in several areas. Campers’ age 8 – 13 years old will learn about the environment, technology, and enjoy many crafts and games. Areas of study will include robotics (building and programming), aerospace, and GPS/GIS mapping. There will be opportunities for team building, sportsmanship, friendships, technical skill building and just plain fun.

Campers must be between 8 and 13 years old by January 1, 2015.

**Camp is limited to 20 youth registered on a first come first serve basis.**

Campers will meet:
July 6-10 from 8:30 – 4:30.
The camp is located at the
Baltimore County Ag Center at
1114 Shawan Rd., Cockeysville, MD 21030.
The cost is $110 for each camper.

To register go to [http://stem-camp.eventbrite.com](http://stem-camp.eventbrite.com)
The Champion Chow Event gives you the opportunity to present your food preparation, menu planning, table setting and other food and nutrition skills at one single event. You may enter as an individual or as a team (consisting of 2 members). Individuals and teams will plan and submit a menu for one balanced meal (breakfast, lunch and dinner). This is a great opportunity to enter something you cannot enter at the County Fair, such as a main dish, soup or salad.

This year's event will take place on Sunday, April 19, 2015, 3:00 – 4:30 pm (make note to arrive 15 mins. early to set up) at the Baltimore County Center for MD Agriculture.

1. Plan a balanced, nutritious menu. Write or type the menu on the registration form and submit it to the 4-H Office by registration deadline, Monday, April 6, 2015.

2. Select one item from your menu to prepare and bring to the Champion Chow event. This item should belong to one of the following categories: main dish, salad/side dish, bread or dessert.

3. Write or type the recipe of the item which you choose to prepare on the back of your Champion Chow registration form and submit it to the 4-H Office by the registration deadline, Monday, April 6, 2015.

4. Choose the appropriate table setting, suitable for the meal you choose to present at the Champion Chow (linen or tablecloth, flatware, glassware, dishes, centerpiece, etc.) Each participant will be responsible for bringing everything needed to set one place setting on the day of the Champion Chow event. Space allowed for each entry will be 36" wide and 24" deep. Each participant will have a space.

5. Each participant will have a time to explain their entry to the judges. You will be judged on the nutrition of the meal you select, the way the foods look together (color, textures, etc.), the food item you have chosen to make, your table setting and your recipe. Winners will be recognized at the awards ceremony at the conclusion of the day's events.
Return on or before **Monday April 6, 2015** to:
Baltimore County 4-H Office
1114 Shawan Road, Suite 2.
Cockeysville, MD 21030

Name: ____________________________ Phone Number: __________________

Street Address: ____________________________

City: ____________________________ State: _______ Zip: __________________

Age as of January 1, 2015: ____________________________

**Age Division (circle one):**
*Clover (5-7) Junior (8-10)
Intermediates (11-13) Senior (14-18)

*Clovers will receive participation ribbons only. They will not be judged.*

Category (circle one): Main Dish Salad/Side Dish Dessert Bread

Check one: ________ Individual ________ Team

**MENU:**

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If you need assistance to participate in a 4-H activity, please contact the University of Maryland Extension at 410-887-8090 at least two weeks prior to the activity date.

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4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST REGISTRATION FORM

Due to the 4-H Office Friday, March 2, 2015

The 4-H Public Speaking Contest will be held Friday, March 13, 2015 at the New Baltimore County Ag Center, 1114 Shawan Road, Cockeysville, MD 21030, 410-887-8090 beginning at 6:30 pm.

NAME_____________________________________________ PHONE #______________________

STREET ADDRESS__________________________________________________________________

CITY_________________________________________ STATE ____________ ZIP______________

CLUB ___________________________________________________________________________

AGE (As of January 1, 2015) __________________

AGE DIVISION – CIRCLE ONE:     Clover (5-7)       Junior (8-10)

Intermediate (11-13)       Senior (14-18)

Please check below what areas you will be participating in:

□ Prepared Speech – Please list your title so we can print it in the program.

Title:__________________________________________________________________________

□ Extemporaneous Speech

□ Radio/Public Announcements

□ Dramatic Interpretation

□ Poetry Interpretation

□ Humorous Interpretation

□ Pledge Communication Contest (For Clovers and Juniors only)

□ Clover Show and Tell

Clovers will receive participation ribbons only. They will not be judged.

You must be on the Baltimore County 4-H roll as of 2/1/15 in order to participate in the Public Speaking Contest.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. You may give either a Demonstration or a Visual Presentation.
2. They may be given in two categories: individual or team.
3. The length should be:
   A. Clover Division - not more than 5 minutes.
   B. Junior Division - at least 5 minutes, but not more than 10 minutes
   C. Intermediate and Senior Divisions: at least 10 minutes but not more that 15 minutes.
4. Visual Presentation (Illustrated Talk) is structured with an introduction, body and summary. Instead of showing how to do, you explain how by the use of illustrations, charts or posters. You usually do this kind of talk in an area where you cannot actually show “how to do something.”
5. A Formal Demonstration: is structured with an introduction, body, and summary. You are showing step-by-step how to do something resulting in a finished project. You may use posters or charts, plus items you are working with.
6. If giving a food demonstration, food samples are not to be given to judges. You may offer them a copy of the recipe.
7. Each participant will furnish his or her own equipment and supplies.
8. Each participant is responsible for clearing the area after his or her talk.
9. Clovers will be evaluated, but not judged. They will receive a special ribbon and a premium of $1.00.
10. Blue ribbon winners will represent Baltimore County at the state contest held at the Maryland State Fair.

To Be Held At The Baltimore County Extension Office
1114 Shawan Road, Suite 2  410-771-1761
Wednesday, March 13, 2015 at 6:30 pm

DIVISIONS:
A. Juniors (8-10 years old as of January 1)
B. Intermediates (11-13 years old as of January 1)
C. Seniors (14-18 years old as of January 1)
D. Clovers (5-7 years old as of January 1)

Registration Deadline: March 2, 2015 – Send your registration form to the 4-H Office
1114 Shawan Road, Suite 2, Cockeysville, MD 21030 (410)887-8090

DEMONSTRATIONS
VISUAL PRESENTATIONS

Remember this is a great chance to give a demonstration for one of your projects.
A demonstration is required for a project to be complete.
Fair Demonstrations will ONLY include Animal related projects.

To Be Held At The Baltimore County Extension Office
1114 Shawan Road, Suite 2  410-771-1761
Wednesday, March 13, 2015 at 6:30 pm

DIVISIONS:
A. Juniors (8-10 years old as of January 1)
B. Intermediates (11-13 years old as of January 1)
C. Seniors (14-18 years old as of January 1)
D. Clovers (5-7 years old as of January 1)

Registration Deadline: March 2, 2015 – Send your registration form to the 4-H Office
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DEMONSTRATION/visual presentation registration form

Due to the 4-H Office March 2, 2015
Demonstration/Visual Presentation evening is Friday, March 13, 2015
Beginning 6:30 p.m. at the Baltimore County Extension Office.

Name: __________________________ Phone#: __________________________

Address: __________________________

City________________________ State________________________ Zip________________________

Age Division- Circle one: Clover (5-7) Junior (8-10)
Intermediate (11-13) Senior (14-18)

If you are giving a team demonstration, you must register under the oldest person’s age.

Title: __________________________

Individual or Team: __________________________

Name of Team Members: __________________________

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Interest in 4-H Rabbit and Poultry Projects Growing
The enrollment in the 4-H rabbit and poultry project has been steadily increasing in Maryland during the past few years. In response to this growing interest in these project areas, the Maryland 4-H Animal Science Program is pleased to offer a series of Rabbit and Poultry Judging and Avian Bowl Workshops for new and experienced 4-H members, parents, and coaches during January thru March 2015! You need not be a project member to attend.

Get Involved in Rabbit Judging, Poultry Judging or Avian Bowl!

Winter Workshops: 5 Dates – 5 Locations across Maryland!
- January 24 Howard County Fairgrounds
- February 7 Wicomico County Extension Office
- February 21 Allegany County Fairgrounds
- February 28 Queen Anne’s 4-H Park (extended workshop w/afternoon session)
- March 21 Charles County

General Agenda
- 9:00 am Registration and Refreshments
- 9:30 am Welcome / Introduction to Judging and Bowl Events
- 10:00 am Breakout Sessions – divide into Poultry and Rabbit Groups if group size permits
- 12:30 pm Adjourn

Workshop Topics
- What to Expect at Judging and Bowl Events, What to Look at When Judging a Class, Resources to Help You Learn More

Registration
A $5.00 registration fee covers workshop handouts and refreshments. Please register using the attached registration form no later than one week before your selected session.
Registration Form

DEADLINE FOR REGISTERING: Noon on the Monday prior to each workshop

REGISTRATION: Please complete this registration form and then send it via one of the following methods:

- Email to: cporterf@umd.edu
- FAX: 301-314-7146

Payment: Payment made by check, please make payable to: MARYLAND 4-H FOUNDATION and bring to workshop.

Questions regarding registration, topics or logistics may be directed to Chris Anderson by telephone at 301-314-7187 or email at canders2@umd.edu. Please notify Chris Anderson if you must cancel your registration—substitutions allowed.

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION (PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY)

Name: ___________________________________________ 4-H COUNTY/CITY: ________________________
Phone #: ____________________________ Email Address: ________________________________________
Address: ________________________________________________________________

Check your area(s) of interest below:
- Rabbits
- Poultry
- Both Rabbits and Poultry

Check the workshop date and location you plan to attend below:
- January 24 Howard County Fairgrounds
- February 7 Wicomico County Extension Office
- February 21 Allegany County Fairgrounds
- February 28 Queen Anne’s 4-H Park (extended workshop w/afternoon session)
- March 21 Charles County

REGISTRATION FEE: $5.00 Fee includes Refreshments and Materials
Make checks payable to: MD 4-H FOUNDATION

☐ I will bring my check to the Workshop I am attending.

Equal Opportunity Programs

Office Use Only: Entered: Confirmation: Paid Ck#
Baltimore County 4-H Market Animal Project

Project overview

The Baltimore County 4-H Market animal project provides an opportunity for youth ages 8 – 18 (as of January 1, 2015) without the facilities to house livestock to participate in a market livestock project. Market lambs and goats will be housed at the Baltimore County Ag center and participants will be responsible for the care and feeding of the animals while learning about livestock management, animal health, and livestock showmanship.

Project requirements

1) A completed application to participate in the program.
2) Essay written by the 4-H member.
3) Personal interview.
4) Active participation in the educational program. (one per week)
5) Scheduled visits to care for the animals. (average of once per week)
6) Showing the animal at the Baltimore County 4-H Fair.
7) Selling animal at the Baltimore County 4-H Livestock sale.

Project expenses

(All project expenses will be paid at the conclusion of the project after the sale of animals at the Baltimore County 4-H Livestock sale)

1) Cost of animal
2) Feed
3) Miscellaneous costs – tags, vet, show supplies, etc.

Project timeline

The project will run from late April through the Baltimore County 4-H fair (July 16 – 19, 2015)

February 13, 2015 – informational meeting for parents and youth
March 13, 2015 – Applications due to the 4-H office
March 27, 2015 - Interviews

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Application for Baltimore County 4-H Market Livestock Project

(Completed applications are due to the 4-H office by March 13, 2015)

Choose one: _______ Market lamb _______ Market Goat

I.
Name: ________________________________ Age (as of January 1, 2015): _________

Address: __________________________________________________________________

Email: ______________________________________ Phone: ______________________

Parent / Guardian name: _______________________________________________________

II.
Submit an essay on a separate paper. The essay topic is: “Why I want to raise and show a
4-H market animal”

I understand the requirements and expenses associated with participating in the Baltimore
County Market Livestock program. I agree to fulfill all requirements of the program and
understand that if chosen to participate in the program that I am responsible for all expenses even
in the event that I choose to leave the program prior to its conclusion.

Participant name: ______________________________________ Date: ________________

Participant signature: __________________________________________________________________

Parent / Guardian name: _________________________________ Date: _________________

Parent / Guardian signature: ______________________________________________________

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4-H Fashion Revue for All 4-H’ers

Fashion Revue provides youth, ages 5-18, the opportunity to develop modeling, poise and confidence skills and you don’t have to sew to participate. There are two ways to participate:

1. Youth select a design and sew and construct an outfit to accessorize and model.
2. Youth can select a ready-to-wear garment and choose complimentary accessories.

Model your garment for the judges and answer a couple of questions about your outfit, like why you chose the design or accessories. Then participate in a special runway modeling and musical event at the Baltimore County 4-H Fair. All participants are recognized for their hard work.

Like to sew, have a favorite sports uniform, theatrical costume, a favorite party dress or even a fantastic bargain outfit. Sign up to be part of this exciting event!

May 15th Entries due; access online March 15th (mail entry form/picture/fabric sample, etc.)
June (date to be announced) - Judging – By Appointment, MD State Fairgrounds
July 17th Fashion Revue show – Friday, 6:15pm, Cow Palace

Baltimore County 4-H Livestock Sale

Youth planning to sell an animal at the 2014 Baltimore County 4-H Livestock Sale should be actively marketing their project and obtaining potential buyers. Valuable information to assist youth and buyers in this endeavor is available at http://bc4hlivestocksalemd.webs.com/, including information on buyers’ frequently asked questions. Youth can access a printable invite at http://bc4hlivestocksalemd.webs.com/exhibitor.html to mail buyers or present during a personal visit.

If you cannot access this information, request the information from csellman@verizon.net or call 410-655-0042.

Baltimore County 4-H Livestock Scholarship

4-H youth who have participated in a Baltimore County 4-H Livestock Sale, may be eligible to apply for a scholarship towards their continuing education in the Fall of 2014 at a Fully Accredited College, Trade School or Technical School. Applications are due May 1st. Scholarship criteria and application can be found at http://bc4hlivestocksalemd.webs.com/
The Maryland 4-H Youth Development Program provides a supportive setting for youth to reach their fullest potential. Children learn beneficial cognitive and life skills through community-focused, research-based, experiential educational programs. Participation is open to all youth ages 5-18 who reside in Baltimore County. The Clover Program is open to ages 5-7 years and the 4-H Program is targeted toward 8-18 year old participants.

4-H has an over 100 year tradition of voluntary action through strong public-private partnerships at federal, state and community levels. Local volunteer leaders partner with Baltimore County Extension staff to provide direct leadership and educational support to young people in urban, suburban, and rural communities.

4-H youth develop relationships that inspire people to voluntarily help themselves and others as they interact with caring adults and peers.

4-H Program areas include:
- Science, Engineering and Technology
- Healthy Living
- Citizenship and Leadership
- Volunteer Development

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 2014 4-H PROGRAM:

General Program Updates
✦ 24 clubs, 1 special interest group, 16 after school programs and school enrichment programs
✦ 261 volunteers supported 4-H programs in 2014.
✦ 6 new volunteers were trained in 2014.
✦ 1,685 club and program members engaged in 4-H.

Science, Engineering and Technology
✦ The Ag Science Series was offered throughout the year to teach 25.
✦ 2 new camps were launched to serve 42 youth, Farm Camp and Robotics Camp.
✦ Over 30 youth engaged in the 2014 National Science Experiment: Rockets to the Rescue.
✦ 14 staff members from Baltimore County Libraries and PAL centers were trained in 7 4-H science experiments to reach over 400 youth.
✦ Baltimore County 4-H partnered with Sea Grant and Master Gardeners to receive a $5,000 BGE grant to deliver the Bay Stewards program at Old Court Middle School.

Healthy Living/Nutrition
✦ Over 50 youth engaged in hiking and physical fitness activities at a 4-H camp.
✦ 20 youth and adults participated in the Food Challenge: Champion Chow. Youth prepared healthy meals and complimentary table scapes.
✦ 327 youth from 5 schools and after school programs visited the Ag Center to engage in a full day of Growing with Grains programs.

Growing with Grains program on corn products shown.
Citizenship & Leadership

✦ 43 youth learned about parliamentary procedure and record keeping during leadership workshops.
✦ 18 youth demonstrated public speaking skills during the annual competition.
✦ 3 camps were delivered by 15 trained youth counselors.

 Intermediate 4-H Radio Spot Grand Champion uses technology to enhance his radio spot.

**4-H Goals:**

1. **4-H Education and Resources:**
   ✦ County programs will include: Community Clubs, Afterschool programs, School programs, Ag Science Series, Winter Workshop, Day Camp, Engineering Camp, Growing with Grains school program, County/State Fair, and various local/state/national trips and contests!
   ✦ Launch a market animal project for 20 youth at the Ag Center.

2. **4-H Marketing and Communication:**
   ✦ Host 2nd annual 4-H Open House and increase support resources for 4-H Club Leaders and volunteers.
   ✦ Utilize various forms of technology and social media platforms through our TECH CONNECT (Website, Facebook, Blog, Twitter, Pinterest and e-news) to increase our visibility.

2015 ANNUAL GOALS:

4-H Standout:
National 4-H Youth Development research shows that 4-H youth are more likely to pursue future careers in science, engineering and technology (Lerner, 2012).


4-H Standout:
Youth who engage in 4-H club programs are 3x more likely to actively contribute to their communities, and are nearly two times more likely to plan to go to college (Lerner, 2012).

Number of Youth and Adult Participants Served

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Dollar Value of Volunteers

Volunteers multiply the effect of county educators

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*Source: Dollar value retrieved from the Independent Sector Organization.

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- **President's Day**
- **4-H Office Closed**
- **4-H Day in Annapolis**
- **Fair Board and Association Meeting** 7:30 p.m. in the Mosner Miller building 7:30 at the Fairgrounds
- **4-H Open House** 4 – 7 pm at the 4-H Office
- **Ag Science Series** 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Ag Center on Veterinary Science

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- **Achievement Night** 3:00 pm Oregon Ridge
- **Public Speaking Contest** 6:30—8:00 p.m. UME Ag Center
- **Horsebowl Contest UMD Plant Sciences Bldg College Park, MD**
- **The Maryland 4-H Skill-a-thon**
- **Ag Science Series: Spring Gardens Workshop** 1 pm – 4 pm in the 4-H Office
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March 26, 2015 - Board
April 23, 2015 - Association & Board
May 21, 2015 - Board
June 18, 2015 - Association & Board - Pick up Dept. Books
July 23, 2015 - Evaluation
Sept. 24, 2015 - Board & Association
Oct. 23, 2015 - Board
Nov. 19, 2015 - Board & Association

SWEET POTATO KIDS AFTERSCHOOL JOINS HORSE ART CONTEST

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What’s Buzzing in Baltimore County

The Smith Family
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