THANK YOU! A tremendous thank you to everyone who came out for our National Science Day experiment held at the Mt. Airy and Taneytown libraries, and to the following clubs who had representatives strutting their 4-H pride at TSC on October 12: The Chevonaire Dairy Goat 4-H Club, Carroll County 4-H Rabbit Club, Deep Run 4-H Club, Fine Feathered Friends 4-H Club, Carroll County 4-H Dog Club, Westminster 4-H Club and Carroll County 4-H Ambassadors. We hope everyone had a good time talking to the public about their projects and encouraging others to try 4-H.

Drumroll Please…..

2013 Promotional Display Contest Results

**Table Top Display:** **Champion** – Rolling Clovers 4-H Club  
**Reserve Champion** – Carrollton 4-H Club  

**Window Display:** **Champion** – Group Display (Clover Buddies 4-H Club, Carrollton 4-H Club, Deer Park 4-H Club, Hearts for Horses 4-H Club, Lineboro 4-H Club, and Manchester Maniacs 4-H Club); **Reserve Champion** – Chevonaire 4-H Dairy Goat Club;  
**Blue Award** – Carrollton 4-H Club, Gaither 4-H Club, and Progressive Clovers 4-H Club;  
**Red Award** – Fine Feathered Friends 4-H Club

**Bulletin Board Display:** **Champion** – Westminster 4-H Club  

**Grand Champion:** Group Display (Clover Buddies 4-H Club, Carrollton 4-H Club, Deer Park 4-H Club, Hearts for Horses 4-H Club, Lineboro 4-H Club, and Manchester Maniacs 4-H Club)  
**Reserve Grand Champion:** Rolling Clovers 4-H Club

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**Due Dates**

**Project Records (Unit Completions)** – are due to the Extension Office by COB December 2, 2013  
**ALL Senior Portfolios** – are due to the Extension Office by COB January 3, 2014  
**Junior Record Books** – are due to the Extension Office by COB February 3, 2014  
**Diamond Clover Levels 1-5** – are due to the Extension Office by COB February 3, 2014

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NEW FOOD PRESERVATION RULES
Starting at the 2014 CC 4-H/FFA Fair, we will be following the state Food Preservation Rules. No jars will be opened; the source of your recipe must be on the jar (Example – So Easy to Preserve, Blue Ball Book). Recipes should be a USDA tested recipe. A copy of the So Easy to Preserve can be found at the Extension Office. If you have questions contact the superintendent or Becky at the Extension Office.

Financial Reporting Timeline
Attention Club Leaders: It’s that time of year again for the next step in our financial reporting timeline. The Annual Financial Summary Report (Jan 1, 2013 – June 30, 2013), Property Inventory Report and Treasurer Books were due to the Extension Office by October 15, 2013. Also, all clubs must file a 990 (reporting Jan 1 – June 30, 2013) by November 15, 2013. Remember to print and bring a copy that you have submitted the 990 to the Extension Office. If you have questions, don’t hesitate to call the Extension Office.

Fair Photos
Photos from the 2013 Carroll County 4-H/FFA Fair are available in the Extension Office. All orders are due by November 15, 2013 and will be returned to the Extension Office by December 20, 2013. All orders will be held and placed at one time. Any orders placed after the original order date will be subject to a negative finding fee for each photo. Please come in before November 15 to place your fair photo order.

4x6 $4.00 5x7 $7.00 8x10 $10.00
Please make checks payable to Wyatt Griffin. Any returned check will be subject to a $35.00 fee.

Beef Field Day
Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 5, 2014 for the Beef Field Day. More information will follow.

2013 Volunteer Forum
Mark the date!! Plan to be in Ocean City with us this fall. November 22-24 is the MD 4-H Volunteer Forum. Lots of classes for volunteers and senior youth to attend, restaurants to visit, “Festival of Lights” and much more!! Registration forms and other forms are on the UME Carroll County website and the state website: http://extension.umd.edu/4-h.
If interested, a $25 scholarship is available to senior youth and UME Volunteers to help with registration costs.

Sr Portfolios and Jr Record Books
If any club is interested in learning more about Senior Portfolios and/or Junior Record Books, please contact the Extension Office to set up a date for Becky to come out to your club meeting. Contact information is 410-386-2760 or bridgewa@umd.edu

PROJECT RECORDS (or Unit Completions)
Are due into the CC 4-H Extension Office from club leaders on Monday, December 2, 2013! Individual club leaders will need to set the date due to them. Other items to note this year:
**In September’s Tribune are helpful hints for you as you complete your project records.
**Remember there are new animal science project records this year
**Remember, all market livestock, horse, rabbit, poultry, photography, garden, and plants/flowers project records are required to show at the 2014 CC 4-H/FFA Fair.
**Please staple rather than paper clip pictures, etc. to project records so they do not get misplaced. Also, please DO NOT put project records in a folder, sheet protector, binder, record book cover, etc. We take them out anyway to judge them, so please just staple them together.

Thank You!
PROJECT RECORD FORMS!!!
(or Unit Completions)

There are new animal science project record forms available at the Extension Office. The new forms are specific towards animal projects (ex – market livestock, breeding livestock, poultry, rabbits, etc.). There is also a new general project record form that has been updated. Make sure to stop by the Extension office or download a copy from our website: extension.umd.edu/Carroll-County.

If you have any questions about the new forms, call Becky at 410-386-2760 or bridgewa@umd.edu.

It's time to think about Camp!

Carroll County Residential Camp dates have been set for 2014:
Week 1 (8-11 year olds) – June 23-26
Week 2 (10-14 year olds) – July 14-18

Camp Youth Staff Applications are available in the October Tribune or at: http://extension.umd.edu/carroll-county/4-h-youth/4-h-camps.
Applications will be due on Dec. 2nd!

Returning staff are urged to ask interested friends to apply!

SKILLATHON!!!

Do you have an interest in learning more about livestock? Watch in the next couple of Tribunes for dates when the Skillathon practices will start!! The State Contest is the first weekend in March, so weekly practices will start in January!

UME Volunteer Leader Training

Would you like to be a University of Maryland Extension Volunteer? Are you helping out at club meetings with projects or activities? Do you have parents in your club who have expressed an interest in being a 4-H volunteer?

The next UME training is scheduled for Thursday, January 2nd. Please call the Extension Office at 410-386-2760 to register.

National Trip Senior Portfolios and ALL Sr. Portfolios are due January 3rd

If you are a senior member and would like to apply to be awarded a National Trip, then it’s time to start thinking about that Senior Portfolio!

Trips for Senior Portfolios include National 4-H Congress, Camp Miniwanca, West Virginia Older Members’ Conference and Virginia 4-H Congress. If you are applying for a National Trip, don't forget to fill out the application found at: (http://extension.umd.edu/sites/default/files/_docs/programs/4H/awards/NatOutOfStateTripsApp2011.pdf) and turn it in with your portfolio.

ALL other senior portfolios not applying for a National Trip will also be due January 3, 2014.

If you would like help or advice on putting together a senior portfolio, please call Becky at the Extension office and she would be glad to help.

This year’s essay question is: “How do the life development skills you have learned through 4-H help you serve as a mentor to others?”

Diamond Clover Awards

Are you working toward achieving levels 1 thru 5 of the Diamond Clover Awards? They are due to the 4-H Office by February 3, 2014 (or earlier!). All of the Diamond Clover forms can be found on the Carroll County Extension website. If you have questions please contact Becky at the Extension Office.

OFFICE MAILBOX

Just a reminder that we have a drop box located by the entrance to the office. If you are here after hours or are trying to meet a deadline but the office is closed, please use the drop box. We cannot be responsible for items left under the door. Thank you for your cooperation!!
Steer Weigh-In

We have scheduled steer weigh in for Saturday, January 11th at the Westminster Livestock Auction beginning at 8am till 12noon. Because of the location, all steers/heifers must be on a halter and reasonably broken! Market Animal registration forms and AnSc Code of Ethics can be found at the Extension Office or from your club leader. Remember, the registration form is now a 2-part form. You must turn in the form intact. Your copy will be given to you on the night of weigh in. If you have any questions, call 410-386-2760. Registration forms are due to the CC Extension Office by Friday, January 3, 2014. Tag cost is $1 per steer. Make checks payable to CCEAC.

Beat the Midwinter Blahs!!

Beat the Midwinter Blahs will be held on Saturday, January 25, 2014 at the Carroll County Extension Office and Ag Center. Please mark the date on your calendar now and plan on joining us for this informative and fun day. Attached to the September Tribune is a form requesting classes for The Blahs. If you are interested in teaching, please be sure to fill out the form and send it to the Extension Office. If you have a class idea but cannot teach, please fill out the form and check the appropriate spot. We are looking for a wide variety of topics to meet the interest of everyone. Class information is due to the office by Friday, November 1st.

Sewing Supplies

Have you thought about trying out a new sewing technique, but don’t want to use your new fabric. Stop by the Extension Office. We have a large selection of fabrics that anyone is welcome to come and take for projects. There are also some patterns, zippers, and buttons that are available. If you have questions, contact Becky at bridgewa@umd.edu or 410-386-2760.

Swine Weigh-In

Swine weigh-in and tagging will be held on Friday, May 2, 2014. Mark this date on your calendar!

Sheep and Goat Weigh-In

Sheep and Goat weigh-in and tagging will be held on Friday, May 9, 2014. Mark this date on your calendar!

Calling All Journalists!!!

Anyone that is interested in sharing their 4-H story can submit articles to be shared on the Carroll County Extension website. Just make sure to tell us the what, when, where, and who and your story could be shared with anyone that visits the extension website. This is a great opportunity to share what your club is doing! And send along a picture that goes along with your article. If you have questions or want to submit an article/story contact Becky at 410-386-2760 or email your stories with a picture to bridgewa@umd.edu.

Ambassador Service Project

Help the Carroll County Ambassador Team as they head to Arlington National Cemetery to participate in Wreaths Across America. On December 14th they will be traveling to honor veterans as they lay wreaths on their graves. Help them by sponsoring a wreath. For a $15 donation a wreath will be laid on a veteran’s grave. If interested, make checks payable to the CCEAC marked for Ambassador Project and send to the Carroll County Extension Office. More information can be found at http://about.wreathsacrossamerica.org.
CC 4-H Hotshots Club will be hosting a Scrapbook Fundraiser on Sunday, November 10, 2013 from 9 a.m. -5 p.m. at Burns Hall. Contact Timna Shaw for more information at 410-848-1645 or timnacmc@comcast.net.

Calling on all Clubs!!!
PLEASE WRITE A THANK YOU…
for the yellow t-shirts supplied by Bowman’s. If you received one of these please send a THANK YOU note to: R.D. Bowman & Sons, Inc.
107 Englar Road
Westminster, MD
21157

And a THANK YOU for…
Several organizations, businesses, & individuals contributed donations toward supplying the lavender shirts for this year’s CC 4-H/FFA Fair that benefitted the Carroll County Regional Cancer Center. Sending them a “thank you” note would be a great way to show appreciation for their support! Notes can come from clubs and/or individuals.

T-Shirt Donors:
Coldspring Farms
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Cedar Knoll Farms
Cowrazy Cleaning
Snader Farms
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Sandra Stonesifer
MD Mobile Veterinary Clinic
Arters Mill Farms
Bowman’s Feed & Pet

FAIR PREMIUM CHECKS

If you haven’t already received your check from your club leader you need to make arrangements with your Club Leader to receive your check ASAP. All checks need to be cashed before NOVEMBER 4th. They will not be honored after that date. If you find that you are missing premiums after reviewing your Premium Statement, you must send an email to carrollcountyfairentries@yahoo.com. Include the following information:
Exhibitor name as it appears on check/statement, address, phone #, department, section AND class number for the missing item (can be taken off entry tag). Corrections must be sent in no later than November 3rd. Checks will be written after that date, and no additional corrections will be made.

THANK YOU

ATTENTION: Indoor Department Superintendents

An Indoor Dept Rule and Change Meeting will be held Nov. 26 at 7PM in the Extension Office. If you plan to make changes in your dept. you should be at this meeting.
Cookie Season is Coming!
Fair memories are still fresh in our minds, so it’s hard to believe that Christmas is just around the corner. Each year the Fair Board likes to recognize and show our appreciation to those businesses and individuals who so greatly support the fair. The Carroll County 4-H & FFA Fair Board is asking 4-H Club members to assist the Fair Board with baking homemade Christmas cookies for the Fair's Gold Sponsors.
* cookies are to be homemade, and not chocolate chip
* we need at least 6 dozen of each type of cookie
* the more cookies the better
Please deliver your cookies to the Extension Office on Tuesday, December 3rd or Wednesday, December 4th. If you cannot make the delivery to the Extension Office on either of those days, please contact Vicki Wagner at morningchoicefarm@verizon.net or Becky Stem at bstem24@comcast.net to make other arrangements.

Archery Contest at the Fair!
The Fair Board has decided to add an Archery Contest as a new department in the 2014 Carroll County 4-H/FFA Fair! The contest will take place on Sunday, July 27th. All 4-H and FFA Members (as of Jan. 1st, 2014) will be eligible to participate. There will be at least one mandatory training day held on February 15th and a Qualifier will be held in May. All contestants must participate in all trainings and the qualifier to compete in the contest unless they meet pre-determined requirements. More details about the contest will be included in next month’s Tribune along with registration forms.

2014 Fair Theme
The Fair Board is asking 4-H/FFA members to think of a new theme for the 2014 Carroll County 4-H/FFA Fair. Entries can be mailed to: Carroll County 4-H/FFA Fair, PO Box 207, New Windsor, MD 21776 Email: cc4hffafairmanager@yahoo.com Please include your name, address, phone #, and club information with entry. Entries must be postmarked by Nov. 25th, 2013.

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http://extension.umd.edu/carroll-county   The Carroll County 4-H Website. Find The Tribune online, plus other forms and information for youth and leaders.
http://extension.umd.edu/4-h   The Maryland State 4-H Youth Development Website. News & information from all over the state, plus forms and information for youth and leaders.

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Westminster, MD 21157-5700
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Upcoming Dates to Remember:
Oct 29 Leader’s Meeting for Re-enrollment, CC Extension Office, 7 pm
Nov 3 MD State 4-H Dressage Show & Combined Test, Westminster, MD
Nov 22-24 Volunteer and Teen Forum, Ocean City, MD
Nov 28-29 CC Extension Office Closed, Thanksgiving
Dec 2 Project Records (or Unit Completions) due to the Ext Office

2014 Dates
Jan 2 UME Volunteer Leader Training, CC Extension Office, 6:30 pm
Jan 3 Senior Portfolios are due to Ext Office
Jan 11 Steer Weigh-In
Jan 25 Beat the Mid-Winter Blahs, CC Ext Office and Ag Center
Feb 3 Diamond Clover Awards due to Ext Office (Levels 1-5)
         Junior Record Books due to Ext Office
Feb 22 Demonstration Day, CC Ext Office and Ag Center
March 15 Public Speaking Day, CC Ext Office and Ag Center
April 4 Achievement Program, TBD
April 5 Beef Field Day
April 26 Maryland Day, U of MD, College Park
May 2 Swine Weigh-in, TRP Building
May 3 MD State WHEP Contest
May 9 Sheep and Goat Weigh-in, TRP Building