6-H Campfire - End of School Party
The Frederick County 6-H All Star Summer Picnic and Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 24, 2014 at the Camp Center. A potluck picnic will begin at 6 p.m. Please bring a place setting, drink and a dish to share.

A short business meeting will also be held. Please bring names for scouting in the coming year. This year All Stars 80 yrs and older will be honored. Those being honored are: Jane Ahalt, Maurice Ahalt, John Burrier, Paul and Virginia Coblentz, Ray and Louise Ediger, Leon Enfield, Florence Garst, David Ifert, Harold and Peg Long, Merhl Mayne, Ann Murphy, Rodman Myers, Earle and Marie Nicholson, Barbara, Pasike, Merle Ramsburg, Lois Rhoderick, Gladys Smith, Charles and Jane Smith, Paul Spurrier, James Stup, Mary West and Shirley Zimmerman.

Following the business meeting, All Stars will scoop ice cream for those attending the Camp Fire hosted by All Stars.

Please RSVP if you are able to attend celticpat244@yahoo.com by June 20, 2014.

We would like for each 6-H Club to:
- have a spokesperson for their club, and that person would let the rest of us know where and when their club met and any special information about their club (i.e., dairy cows, alpaca, or in the case of my club, insects).
- perform a skit (or do a quick activity or lead a song) to "entertain" the other 6-H’ers.
- pick a color to wear (i.e., a blue shirt or a green shirt, etc.). We are hoping to have as many different colors as possible so that each club stands out.
- have a banner/flag representing their club.

Please contact Mike Turell mturell@erols.com as soon as possible with your club color. (I am looking for someone to take over this event, you could help this year, and I could help you next year - Mike Turell)

Congratulations to all the 2014 Graduating Seniors!
Welcome to 4-H! Monocacy Montessory 4-H Club is open to students, siblings and alumnae of Carroll Creek Montessori and Monocacy Valley Montessori Public Charter School.

Contact: Dewey Stewart, louisdewey301@gmail.com

Tailwaggers

Tailwaggers Dog Show is open to all Frederick County 4-H members with a dog project. The show is Saturday, June 14, 2014 - at 9 am - and the Catoctin Kennel Club, 4016 Rock Hall Road, Point of Rocks, MD www.catoctinkennelclub.org

This show is the qualifying show for the Maryland State Dog Show in August. Classes in Obedience and Showmanship only. If interested contact Heather Eckert at rosebank1bmd@gmail.com

4-H Achievers

The 4-H Achievers worked on a garden project for our May meeting. When my family went to 4-H, we brought: two shovels, a pitch fork, a garden shovel and garden gloves. The 4-H club members planted flowers around the Masonic sign at the front of the driveway. We put in new mulch. After that, we went inside and made candles. I still have mine today. We all plan to enter our candles in the fair.

On the day of the County Achievement Awards, I dressed up in nice clothes and went to the party. The 4-H Achievers were recognized for accomplishments in: Volunteers, Diamond Clover, Woodworking, Sheep, Self Determined- Electrical and Building Projects. Snacks were served and lots of friends were there. We had a lot of fun.

At the 4-H Achievers Club Achievement Night, everybody did something of their talent. It was very interesting and exciting. There was music! My brother played the Entertainer on the piano which was written Scott Joplin, Sarah played cello and Bella played violin. I did a presentation about my Grandfather’s medals which he earned in WW2. Brandon performed his radio spot and Blair recited the FFA Creed. We all loved it and had an enjoyable time.

Buck Leatherman, Reporter

Calico Clovers

Calico Clovers 4-H Club had its 2nd Annual Achievement Program on April 6th at the camp center. We had light refreshments along with a slide show looking back on our fantastic year. Even though this year no one graduated from our club everyone was recognized. Afterwards, we had our Pine Derby Race. Hobby Town USA came out to set up the track and run the race. We had some amazing cars and everyone enjoyed the race. Addison came in 1st, Amelia 2nd and Maggie 3rd.

At our April meeting Calico Clovers had a very special guest. JoBeth Roberson (the bug lady) came and did a wonderful slideshow on butterflies, mainly the endangered Monarch, she also brought a few snakes and some awesome huge spiders.

To learn more about Calico Clovers 4-H Club contact Sally Arnold @ 301-371-3419. Article by Sara Sutton
The Rocky Ridge Progressive 4-H Club assisted the residents of St. Josephs Ministries play BINGO during their April Community Service Project. On Saturday, April 5, 2014 four members of the club provided and handed out prizes to Bingo winners as well as assisted residents filling out their cards. Member Dakota Bittner was the official number caller. Club members who participated were Dakota Bittner, Addison Eyler, Kaitlynn Neff, and Jaden Ruby.

The Rocky Ridge Progressive 4-H Club gave assistance to the Thurmont Senior Center during their May Community Service Project. On Monday, May 19, 2014 numerous members of the Rocky Ridge Club provided flowers and mulch to help landscape the outdoor flower beds around the senior center.

The Rocky Ridge Progressive 4-H Club held it's annual club field day on Saturday, May 31, 2014 in Thurmont. The Eyler family was gracious enough to open their Eyler Stables facility so that the members of the Rocky Ridge 4-H Club could bring their projects to be shown and displayed. Members were able to bring their Beef Sheep, Swine & Goat animal projects. There was a dessert contest as well for participants of the cooking club. The club would like to again thank Mr. Robby Currey from Salem, WV for serving as the official judge for this year's field day.
Club News

Valley Urbanites

Over the past two months the Valley Urbanites have been involved in many service projects. We worked in the kitchen preparing and serving meals at the 4-H Camp Center during basket BINGO and we spent a morning during spring break working in the gardens there. Also, we hosted a game night for the residents of the Record Street Home. It was a really fun evening for both the residents and the 4-H members.

At our May meeting Angela Bueso arranged for the Catoc-tin Zoo to give a talk about the zoo. They brought four animals for us to view, including the alligator that we got to hold! We are looking forward to a busy summer as we begin to prepare for the Frederick County Fair and the Maryland State Fair.

By Meghan Cole

The Valley Urbanites cleaned and mulched the flower beds in front of the 4-H Camp Center building and the bank over spring break. The club always has a good time!

The Valley Urbanites had a game night at the Record Street Ladies Nursing Home. We played Zingo and Uno with the ladies. Visiting the ladies is one of the club’s favorite activities.

It is not too late to register for camp!

2014 Aug-Sep Newsletter deadline: August 1, 2014
Send articles and pictures to lstrong@umd.edu

Reminder: Livestock Leases due to the 4-H Office by July 1st

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Adamstown Community

On April 17th, the FredCo 4-H Adventure Project met at the Appalachian Trail Conservancy in Harper’s Ferry for information and a hike up Maryland Heights.

The following Wednesday, Adamstown Community 4-H and the FredCo 4-H Adventure Project attended a workshop given by the Potomac Appalachian Trail Club. The evening was very instructive and the club representatives taught those attending a ton of information about camping and hiking on the Appalachian Trail.

The Adamstown Community 4-H Club participated in the 26th Annual Potomac River Watershed Cleanup on April 5th. We picked up loads of trash and really felt good about this worthy service project.

The FredCo 4-H Adventure Project hiked in Catoctin Mountain Park. It was a great hike!

On Memorial Day and June 1st, the Adamstown Community 4-H held their annual food drive in the Adamstown region, to benefit the Frederick Rescue Mission food-bank. This service project is a tradition for our club, and the club has received generous donations over the years. The Frederick Rescue Mission was grateful for our assistance and asked us to let other 4-H clubs who are looking for a service project know that they would love toiletries and men's reading glasses.

Our Craft Project has made paper flowers and is now working on a pillow sewing craft. We are gearing up for fair entries! The week of June 8-14 is a busy one for our club! We are holding our annual cake competition and raffle at the Carroll Manor Fire Company (CMFC) Carnival on June 11th. Lucie Shelton, owner of the new bakery in Frederick called “Cakes to Die For”, will judge the cakes. She is a 4-Hers from other clubs would like to try on their oven mitts and bake a cake for our competition, please contact Maggie Dawson at mags.dawson@gmail.com

We are planning on participating in the CMFC parade that week and donating time to CMFC that evening by manning some of the booths.

The Frederick 4-H Adventure Project is having its first camping workshop/weekend in preparation June13-14 for the August Appalachian Trail trek.

9th Annual Family Fundraiser
FUNomenon

Saturday, August 23, 2014 at the Frederick Fairgrounds. Come and hear Danielle Bradbery, NBC’s The Voice season 4 winner and The Swon Brothers, NBC’s The Voice season 4 Third place finalists. http://www.ppfinc.org/family-funomenon/

Any individual, an organization or business can purchase an Ad Packet to be placed in the Patty Pollatos FUNomenon Program Book. All ads come with tickets to the event and the ticket includes everything- even your food and drinks! ALL funds raised through our club come to our club and we were able to donate back to PPF last year. Checks can be made out to "Frederick County 4-H Shooting Sports". Please contact Shooting Sports shooting-sports@frederickcounty4-h.org for ad forms or any questions and please turn in ad forms to Karen Cole or Chuck Farmer. Ad packages range from $75 to $5000 and include a variety of items as per package. All raised funds stay in our area! Please consider supporting this effort!

Great Frederick Fair Awards

For GFF Awards that are available to sponsor check out our webpage contact Lisa lstrong@umd.edu or 301-600-1595 to sponsor an award.

New award for 2014: $20.00 for Crafts-Most Blue Ribbons Senior and Junior 4-H’er ($10.00 each).
In Remembrance of TJ Burdette- TJ was a member of the Johnsville 4-H Club for 3 years. He truly enjoyed showing his beef cattle at the fair. TJ was born on Sept. 25, 1995 and passed away from a car accident on Feb. 23, 2014. He was a graduate from Linganore High School Class of 2012. TJ enjoyed being outdoors. He loved hunting, fishing, splitting wood, working on his ford truck and jeep. He was employed at Digging and Rigging. TJ will be missed by all his fellow 4-H members especially in the beef barn.

The Johnsville Club was very busy for the month of April. On Sunday April 6th we held a fundraiser at Gladhill Tractor Mart. We sold hot dogs, chips, soda and water. (Justin Inskeep, Katelyn Williams, Ella Jacobs, Justin Inskeep and Jacob Gladhill).

Our monthly meeting was held on April 8th at the Johnsville Methodist Church. Dee Dee Celp from Animal Control came and spoke to the club about animals and rabies. It was a very informational program. The club really appreciated her coming out.

The Frederick County Achievement night was held on April 15th at the 4-H Camp Center. Many of our members attended and received awards for their record books. Diamond Clover awards were given to Caleb Moxley Level 1, Violet Moxley Level 2, Luke and Jacob Gladhill Level 4. Luke and Jacob Gladhill were recognized in Gardening and Horticulture Flowers, Lukas Hoffman in Photography, Mickinzi Ferguson, Chase Ferguson, and Jared Harshman in Swine, Ella Jacobs, Gressa New, and Jared Harshman in Beef. 1st Year Jr. Boy and Overall 1st Year Boy was Justin Inskeep, Zachary Crum in Rabbits, Caleb and Violet Moxley in Goats, Kendall Harshman in Sheep, Zachary Crum in Poultry, and Outstanding 4-H’er in our club was Chase Ferguson.

On Friday April 18th the club hosted bingo for an early Easter at Homewood Retirement Home. The clovers decorated the bags and the club donated the prizes to fill the bags. About 18 residents attended.

Mary Alice Marks has been attending bingo for 16 years. (Back: Ella Jacobs, Katelyn Williams, and Caroline Mullineaux. Front: Helen Shultz, Amanda Shultz, Mary Alice Marks and Jacob Gladhill).

On April 24th, the Libertytown Lions held their golf tournament. The club helped with the tournament by donating cakes, cookies, gift bags and pies for their raffle and desserts. The club really stepped up and provided over 15 different items.

Our next fundraiser was held on May 4th at the Gladhill Tractor Mart in Frederick. They held their annual tractor pull and we provided hot dogs, sloppy joes, chips, sodas, water and homemade baked goods. The club really stepped up and worked together. We all had a good time. (Back: Emma New, Justin Inskeep, Abby Dinterman, Haley Dinterman, Jacob Gladhill, Front: Katelyn Williams, Corey Burtner and Mickinzi Ferguson).

On May 5th Libertytown Lions Club held their achievement Banquet at Liberty Road Seafood. 4 members of our club attended and they received a donation for our club for all we have done to help them out. The members spoke about our club, their 4-H projects and what we do for our community. We were really appreciative of what they did for us and we have enjoyed working along with them. (Caroline Mullineaux, Ella Jacobs, Gracie Stephens and Justin Inskeep).

On May 13th we held our monthly meeting. We had a pizza party and Colby Ferguson spoke on feeding and nutrition for animals. He also spoke about preparing them as they are young to when they are big enough to finish them out for the fair and sale.

The Johnsville Ruritan Club held their annual steam show on Sunday May 17th. Many of our members helped out by baking pies and cakes for their cake auction. By doing this we are helping our community.
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“Becoming Familiar with Frederick County 4-H’ers”

BreAnn’s Column- Every newsletter BreAnn will be contacting a random selection of 4-H’ers throughout Frederick County and asking them a specific 4-H related question. When the answer to the question is emailed back to her, she will add it to her column in the upcoming newsletter! This is just a little way to “Become Familiar with Frederick County 4-H’ers” Have fun!!!

Topic: What is your favorite 4-H summer activity?”

BreAnn’s Answer:
My favorite 4-H summer activity would have to be attending Maryland State Fair. I work all summer getting my cattle ready for their last show before Frederick Fair. It is a fun long weekend to spend with my 4-H family and friends before school starts back up again!

This month’s 4-H’ers:

Alyssa Chiarelli - 13
Wow that’s hard to answer. I think my favorite summer activity is participating in The Great Frederick Fair and Maryland State Fair with my horse. Even though competing in the English and Western shows with my friends and fellow 4-H’ers is fun my favorite part is introducing my horse to the people visiting the fair. I love answering their questions and teaching them things about horses.

Rachel Summers - 16
Without a doubt it is camp. I always used to look forward to that.

Dakota Bostian - 9
Hi, I am Dakota Bostian from Shokstown 4-H Club. My favorite 4-H summer activity is getting my chickens ready for show. I love to take care of my chickens and I especially look forward to getting new baby chicks. Some say its a handful of work taking care of chickens, but it is really fun for me. This is my second year for chickens and last year I only had 10 chickens and now this year I have about 50 total. I am also doing the broiler project which I love doing to. I have 50 of them to raise.

Kate Atwell - 15
My favorite 4-H summer activities are 4-H camp and my club taking part in the local Carroll Manor Fire Company parade. The parade kick-starts the summer for me because it takes place during the last week of school.

Angela Bueso - 12
I am a member of the Valley Urbanites 4-H Club. My favorite summer 4-H activity is my club’s annual craft day. Each member brings a craft to demonstrate. We make each others crafts that we can later enter in the fair. I enjoy being creative and learn to make new things.

Alpha Alpaca
The Alpha Alpaca 4-H Club has been very busy this spring! First, we went to the AOBA Alpaca Nationals in Harrisburg, PA. We had 13 club members representing the Junior, Intermediate, and Senior classes. We competed in Obstacles, Public Relations, and Showmanship. Our club member, Rachael Buerker, received High Point Senior Champion. Another member, Leah Borgsmiller, received Reserve High Point Senior Champion and Master Showman. It was a very successful and fun weekend!!!

Also this spring, our club went to Hershey Park on a club trip! We went on all the cool roller coasters including the newest one… Sky Rush! We also went to Chocolate World to see how chocolate was made. Afterwards we got a free sample and it was delicious! Let’s just say we screamed our heads off!

In March 2014 members from the Alpha Alpaca 4-H Club went to Harrisburg and competed in the National Alpaca Show. Many of the members and parents volunteered in numerous activities. We helped check animals in, tabulated scores, ran the placings from classes to the announcer, handed out ribbons and many other fun activities. There were classes that we were able to participate in and learn more about our animals. Members competed in the Costume Contest, Obstacle, Public Relations and Showmanship. The members of the club placed in all of the classes. Among the winners were Michelle Weddle, Champion Senior Costume, Rachael Buerker Champion Senior Performance and Leah Borgsmiller Reserve Champion Senior Performance.
The spring has been a very busy time for the Fire Power Club. We have had a very busy 3 months starting with a very special visit from Adam “Bam Bam” Benson. Club members were entertained with stories from Bam Bam of how he was selected to be on the show as well as all of the tricks he played on other show competitors. Club members also were lucky enough to obtain signed autographs as well as words of encouragement from the professional shooter.

The month of May brought 2 very important committee service projects. The club collected hygiene products for Lake Sencia Elementary School students in Montgomery County. Thanks to the efforts of our club members shampoo, tooth paste and soap will be sent home with 20 children when school ends.

Then the club put together efforts to assist with the cleaning of the barns for Wills Fair. Many people do not realize that the day after Wills Fair a group of people go back into the Howard County Fairgrounds to make sure that all trash from the one day event has been picked up as well as rack out the barn.

To end our spring the club hosted it Second Annual Air Rifle Match which was open to 4-H’ers as well as non 4-H’ers. We had a total of 20 shooters which enjoyed a day of shooting on May 31st at the camp center. Results of that shoot are as follows: Fire Power Junior: 1st Jessica Martin, 2nd Morgan Farmer, 3rd Aidan Bowers; Intermediate: 1st Konnor Sowell, 2nd Amelia Summers, 3rd Caleb Luke; Senior: 1st Jonathan Clark, 2nd Matt Lenhart, 3rd Justin Kunz. Longest Shot for Fire Power was awarded to Junior Jessica Martin, Intermediate Konnor Sowell, and Senior Jonathan Clark. Results for Red Ryder Junior 1st Jessica Martin, 2nd Morgan Farmer 3rd Waylon Farmer, Intermediate: 1st Konnor Sowell, 2nd Caleb Luke, 3rd Brady Lynch, Senior: 1st Jonathan Clark, 2nd Colin Lynch and 3rd Ray Martin. Longest Shot awards for Red Ryder were presented to Junior Aidan Bower, Intermediate Konnor Sowell and Senior Colin Lynch. Congratulations to all the shooters.

Respectfully submitted by Konnor Sowell, Club Reporter
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Dairy Judging

Frederick County 4-H Dairy Judging will be starting soon. We have 3 county night practices scheduled so far, all 7:00 starting times. Once I receive the state schedule, I will pass a complete schedule along. As always, if you have any questions, don’t hesitate to email or call me at 240-285-5955. The first 3 practices are listed below.

Thanks—Mike Allen

Thursday June 12: Pam Moser / Hawker Family
3935 Bussard Rd., Middletown, MD 21769

Tuesday June 17: Mark Valentine Family
13211 Old Frederick Rd., Rocky Ridge, MD 21788

Tuesday June 24: Mike/Denise Valentine & Mandy Dennis Family
16901 Bollinger School Rd., Emmitsburg, MD 21727

Swine Tagging

A special thank you to all our families for being extremely patient and helpful with the new tagging procedures this year for swine. And a BIG thanks to our volunteers who helped our Swine Tagging run very smoothly this year.

Mr. Phil Wivell, Mr. Dave Farmer and Rayna Farmer, Mr. Dave Axline, Mr. Paul Inskeep, Mrs. Amanda Rhinehart, Mr. Dente Brashears – for bringing refreshments for the tagging committee.
Event for Lola Doll
On Saturday, June 14, 2014 St. John’s Lutheran Church of Creagerstown will hold a special fund raising event for Lola Doll (daughter of Viola Noffsinger) and Billie Kolb. It will be a church dinner in the parish hall from 12:00 to 5:00 pm. If you care to contribute and cannot attend the event you may mail or give a check to St. John’s Lutheran Church, 8619 Black’s Mill Rd., Thurmont, MD 21788 or Viola Noffsinger, 12510 Creagerstown Rd., Thurmont, MD 21788 with the name of the recipient in the memo line.

Billie has been living with Crohn’s Disease and is unable to work a regular job. Last July, Lola was diagnosed with a spontaneous spinal cord infraction. This is a rare condition. In layman terms it is when a blood clot forms cutting off the blood supply to the spinal cord. Lola has been adapting to life in a wheelchair without any use of her legs. In late November Lola began to have some movement in her big toe. The recovery has continued to the point she has very limited controlled movement of her legs. With assistance Lola can take a few “baby steps”. It will be a long time but there is hope that she will walk again.

Lola has not been able to travel to Maryland to visit her family and 98 year old grandmother (Beulah Zentz) because of lack of movement and bathroom facilities. She is not able to work (in the school system) nor go out of the house by herself. It is difficult to do things in their home as the sink and stove etc. is too high to reach from the wheelchair level. Lola has been sewing for friends and helping young children with their sewing skills. She also works on church committees that meet at her home. The family is very thankful for your prayers and support toward adapted transportation and living quarters for her. Thrivent Financial will give supplemental funds for this event.
1st Annual FFA/4-H Market Rabbit Sale
2014 Will mark the 1st Annual Market Rabbit Sale at the Great Frederick Fair. Rabbit classes to be sold will consist of Fryers, Roasters and Pens of 3. Here are a few definitions to aide you in your decisions and search of kits.
a. Fryer: a rabbit weighing a minimum of 3 pounds, maximum of 5 pounds and no more than 10 weeks old.
b. Roaster: a rabbit weighing a minimum of 5 pounds, maximum of 8 pounds and no more than no more than 6 months.
c. Meat Pen: consists of three rabbits, all of the same breed and variety. Pointed animals must have the same point color. Broken meat pens must also be of the same variety. A meat pen does not necessarily have to come from the same litter. Age limit 10 weeks. Minimum weight 3 pounds each. Maximum weight 5 pounds each. All rabbits must be weighed in the presence of the judge.

Don’t miss out on participating in the 1st Annual Market Rabbit Sale! We have started a text messaging reminder service for the project. Standard text messaging rates apply and your phone number is not visible to the moderators. To receive messages via text, text @rabbitffa to 240-288-1805. Or to receive messages via email, send an email to rabbitffa@mail.remind101.com

The Market Rabbit Sale Superintendents will also have some kits available so please email them at sarah.shriner@fcps.org or sara.seiser@fcps.org for more information or to sign up for the list serv.
Sarah Shriner, NBCT, Middletown High School, Agricultural Educator, FFA Advisor

2014 State 4-H Communications Contest
Congratulations to the 114 youth who participated in the 2014 State 4-H Communications Contest as a part of the campus-wide Maryland Day Event. Each participant was a Champion in their county, so competition and presentations were outstanding. Frederick County participants were:

INTERPRETATIONS
Juniors - Caleb Moxley

RADIO SPOTS
Juniors - Jessica Martin
Intermediates – Brandon Kreh
Seniors – Blair Kreh

PREPARED SPEECHES
Juniors – Zachary Spurrier (Champion)
Intermediates – Madison Spurrier
Seniors – Tabitha Gregory

2014 Maryland State Fair
August 22nd to September 1st

Leader’s Meeting
Wednesday, July 30th
6:00 p.m. at the 4-H Office

Indoor Building & Livestock Superintendents
Fair Meeting-Tuesday, August 19th
5:00 p.m. at the 4-H Office.
DNR and 4-H Hunter Safety Certification Weekend July 12 & 13

Co-sponsored by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources and University of Maryland Extension 4-H program, this certification weekend is a new way for youth ages 9 to 15 years to get their Hunter Safety Certification. The Hunter Safety Camp will be held at the Thendara 4-H Center, 6275 Lord's Crossing Road, Hurlock, Maryland. Cost for the weekend is $75 which includes dorm lodging, one breakfast, two lunches, one dinner, snacks, hunter safety materials, firearms use, fishing equipment, use of canoes and much more.

The weekend will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 12 and end at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 13. An option is available to attend the daytime classes from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. Please call the University of Maryland Extension Office in Dorchester County immediately at 410-228-8800 for more information and registration materials. Deadline for registering is Monday, July 1st.

4-H Royalty

The Frederick County 4-H Royalty Program provides recognition for leadership and further educational opportunities to learn and practice leadership, public speaking, and community service skills. 4-H Royalty attend community events, dinners, awards programs, and many other events to promote 4-H, provide leadership to other 4-H members, and represent 4-H at public events and with public officials. 4-H members interested in being a member of the 4-H Royalty should submit their entry forms by August 1st. Royalty contestants participate in a workshop to teach skills required, interview with judges, and build relationships with one another to work effectively as a team throughout the next year if chosen to be on the court.

http://www.extension.umd.edu/frederick-county/4h-youth-development/4h-royalty

Tractor Supply Fundraiser Event

Thanks to all those who bought a paper clover and supported the fundraiser!
Animal Husbandry & Quality Assurance (AH&QA) Program

All Maryland 4-H members enrolled in alpacas, beef, dairy, goats, horse and pony, poultry, sheep, swine and rabbits are required to complete the Maryland 4-H On-Line Animal Husbandry & Quality Assurance (AH&QA) Program to be eligible to exhibit their project animals in 2014 Maryland County 4-H and State 4-H Shows. This program is offered to help youth who participate in 4-H animal projects in Maryland learn about the importance of caring for, grooming and showing their animals in safe and ethical ways.

4-H'ers are required to complete the on-line training program when they reach each 4-H age division (Juniors (ages 8-10), Intermediates (ages 11-13), Seniors (ages 14-18) – all as of January 1 of the current year) OR when as Intermediate and Senior 4-H members, they choose to show a new species since last completing the program within their age division.

The on-line program gives youth the opportunity to fulfill the Animal Husbandry and Quality Assurance training requirement via internet from their home, school or local library. The AH&QA program has voice narration, so the material is shared in both written and oral form. Members will be asked to respond to questions to evaluate knowledge at different points during the program.

There are two levels to the program: one level is for Junior members and a second level is for Intermediate and Senior members. Members will be automatically taken to the appropriate level according to the birthdate entered on the registration screen. The program takes about 45-75 minutes to complete, depending on which level is being completed. When members register for the program, they will be provided a unique passcode. Members should write their passcode down and keep it in a safe place! A member must be LOGGED IN with their passcode for the system to track their progress and record their completion of the program. If a member needs to stop the AH&QA training in the middle of the program, he or she may return to the program where they left off by entering their passcode on page 1 of the program. ALL members completing the program prior to 2013 (or any portion of the program) must register and a NEW PASSCODE will be assigned. Passcodes to members from 2013 and before are no longer valid.

For 2014, members will have access to the AH&QA program from March 15 through July 31st. Members MUST complete the AH&QA training no later than July 1st. Counties may establish a completion deadline earlier than July 1st to meet the needs of the local program.

Members may go directly to the AH&QA program at https://webtools.moo.umd.edu/AHQA/ or a link to access the AH&QA program will be posted on the Animal Science Program Resources page of the Maryland 4-H website at http://extension.umd.edu/4-h/

Upon completion of the program, members will have an opportunity to print a Certificate of Completion for their records. It is suggested that members keep the Certificate of Completion with their animal health papers (CVI forms, etc.), registration papers, and other animal records. Each member’s progress will be kept in a statewide database and their County 4-H staff will receive notification that they have completed the AH&QA training.
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**UME Volunteer Information**

Interested in becoming a certified UME 4-H Volunteer? Its a simple 3 step process:

1. Go to the Frederick County 4-H Volunteer website [http://extension.umd.edu/frederick-county/4h-youth-development/ume-volunteers](http://extension.umd.edu/frederick-county/4h-youth-development/ume-volunteers) and fill out and return the 5 necessary forms by email or postal mail to: Attn: Lisa, UME Frederick County 4-H, 330 Montevue Lane, Frederick, MD 21702 or lstrong@umd.edu

2. After your completed paperwork has been returned to the office Lisa will contact you to schedule an over the phone Interview which takes about 10-15 minutes.

3. After your Interview Lisa can sign you up for the online orientation training.

After these steps are done and all paperwork is in, the 4-H Educator will review your file and when approved you will receive your 4-H Maryland Leader card. To keep your certified volunteer status current each year you will need to sign a Renewal Appointment Agreement and a Behavioral Expectations Form.

Any questions contact Lisa Strong at lstrong@umd.edu or 301-600-1595.

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Fair Entries Deadline July 31st by 4:00 pm

MD State Fair- http://www.marylandstatefair.com/index.cfm?page=competition&id=39 Don’t forget to complete the 2014 Exhibitor Release form and send it to the Maryland 4-H Center, 8020 Greenmead Drive, College Park, MD 20740 forms are due by July 31st.

Great Frederick Fair- http://thegreatfrederickfair.com/online-entries/ Don’t forget to complete the 2014 Exhibitor Release form and send it to the Great Frederick Fair Office, PO Box 604 Frederick, MD 21705 or for questions please call 301-663-5895.

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