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Time to Register for the Maryland State Fair

Get your entries in early! Maryland State Fair online entry system closes on July 31st at 11:59pm. Computers are available at the Extension Office from 8-4:00pm Monday-Friday if needed. Don't forget to mail in the exhibitors release form that can be found on their website when you sign up to register. We have also attached a copy to this newsletter for your convenience. This form must be sent to the Maryland 4-H Center. You can find more information at www.marylandstatefair.com

Workers Needed for the Maryland State Fair

If anyone is interested in working at the State Fair, and learning the ins and outs of how the fair works, check out the Maryland 4-H website for an application. There are many opportunities to work in the indoor building and Animal World if you are interested.

<http://extension.umd.edu/news/md-state-fair-youth-worker-application-now-available>

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UME Volunteer 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? All adults who are working within our program should go through this training.

The next UME training will take place on **Thursday, September 10 at 6:00 pm**. Registration is required so please call the Extension Office at 410-386-2760 if you are interested in the next training.

4-H Member and Volunteer Cards

4-H cards **WILL NOT** be included in fair packets. They **WILL** be mailed directly to each family household. Cards will be mailed towards the end of June, please be on the lookout. When cards are mailed, an email will be sent to all 4-H families who have provided their email to us. **Notify the Extension Office before Friday, July 17th if you have not received your 4-H member/volunteer cards. NO CARDS WILL BE GIVEN OUT FAIR WEEK. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!**

New 4-Her Orientation

So you have joined the Carroll County 4-H program. Now what? Learn what opportunities await you at this informative session. We will cover the basics of 4-H, opportunities, challenges, and resources to make your 4-H career a successful one. This session is for parents and 4-Hers. Please bring any questions that you already have. Next session is offered **Wednesday, July 1 and Tuesday September 15 at 7:00pm** at the Extension Office. Registration is required so please call the Extension Office at 410-386-2760 if you are interested in this program.

Club Leader Updates

MANDATORY LEADER MEETING TO GO OVER 2016 PAPERWORK AND UPDATES WILL BE OCTOBER 27, 2015 AT 7:00PM.

Newspaper Articles – When sending in an article/picture to the newspaper, please also send it to Becky, Ann or Kim and we will get it on the Extension Website.

From the Ag Center –

- See us as the fair begins, either during set-ups or starting the 30th of July to sign a bench. We would like to get all signatures so it can be display the last day of the fair and at the livestock sale. Club leaders or chosen reps only. Can contact us in the Shipley Arena office or by calling Tom at 443-605-8449 to set up time to sign.
- Corn Hole Tournament coming August 29, to help raise money for Carroll Cancer Center and the Wounded Warrior Project. Cost is \$40.00 per team, 3 game guarantee with awards to top 3 teams. Must pre-register at 410-848-6704 or 443-605-8449. Must register by Aug. 16 (after that add. \$10.00 per team), last registrations taken Aug. 21.

- Looking for volunteers for the Corn Maze. Volunteers are need on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from October 2 until October 25. Also new this year is the opportunity to make money for your club by selling Corn Maze tickets. You groups can pick a night and have a private event at the corn maze, sell tickets and receive part of the ticket price as a result. We are asking you sell at least 100 tickets but groups may team up. If you are interested in volunteering or fundraising call Nichole at 410-848-6704

Please be advised that all parking on the upper lot must be in assigned, marked parking spaces. Once these spaces are full please park in the millings area. There are to be no cars parked along the building side of the parking lot.

- In September 2016 the Ag Center will be hosting a 9/11 Remembrance event and will be looking for support and displays from 4H groups. More information will be released as we get closer to the date.

Club Treasurer Books

Remember to close out all club treasurer books on June 30, 2015. Your books should include all financial information from July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015. If you have questions, please call the Extension Office. **Treasurer books are due to the 4-H office with the annual financial summary form by October 15th.**

Leadership Council Meeting

The next Carroll County 4-H Leadership Council Meeting will be held on **September 29th at 7 pm at the Extension Office**. We would love to see you attend! You will receive updates on what is going on in the county program and we will offer programming to take back to your clubs!

It's Time for Quality Assurance!

All Maryland 4-H members enrolled in alpacas, beef, dairy, goats, horse and pony, poultry, sheep, swine and rabbits are required to complete the 4-H and FFA On-Line Animal Husbandry & Quality Assurance (AH&QA) Program to be eligible to exhibit their project animals in 2015 Maryland County 4-H and State 4-H shows. **You must complete this by Friday July 24, 2015.**

<http://www.agnr.umd.edu/ahqa/> ****NOTE** this program will not run on Internet Explorer. To complete this program you must use either Firefox, Chrome, or Safari web browsers. ******

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.

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!** 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 *Welcome* screen of the program. ALL members completing the program in 2015 (or any portion of the program) must register and a NEW PASSCODE will be assigned. Passcodes from prior years are no longer valid.

If you receive an error message while trying to complete the program, please contact Becky Ridgeway. The Extension Office has a computer lab which is available to all. Contact Becky if you need to use the computer lab.

Rabbit Judging Practice

There will be a rabbit judging practice held on July 8th at 6:30pm at the Extension Office. Anyone that is interested in attending can RSVP to Jo Mladjenovich at jkmlad@aol.com.

Dairy Judging Practice

Dairy judging practices will take place the following dates and locations:

Tuesday, July 7th - Burlin Farm – 10am
Tuesday, July 14th – Maple Dell Farm - 10am
Tuesday, July 28th – Crown Stone Farm – 10am
Sunday, August 2nd – Carroll County Fair – 9:30am

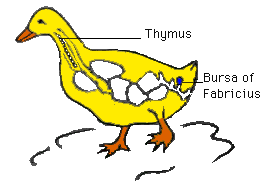
Any questions, please call Kelly Zepp at 410-635-3922

Poultry Judging Practice

Poultry judging practices are starting up again! All are welcome to come learn about egg production hens, egg judging, and meat judging. **All practices start at 7:00pm and are held at the Extension Office.** Please contact Glenn Haines, 443-536-5302 or Sarah Giordano, sarahgiordano@verizon.net with questions.

Practice Schedule:

Thursday, July 9	Thursday, July 16
Tuesday, July 14	Thursday, July 23



Poultry Barn Clean Up

All exhibitors who will be showing in the poultry barn are expected to help clean up and set up the barn (as well as clean up after the fair). There will be several clean up/set up dates. The poultry barn clean-up will be on Saturday, July 11 from 8 am – 12 noon. Wear gloves and bring shovels, rakes and brooms.

Livestock Judging Practice

Dates to put on your calendar to hold for practices!! We should have some of our returning 4-Hers and college volunteers back to help!

July 8	South Eastern PA Judging Contest
July 13	Rills Farm – Sheep
August 5	Carroll County Fair
August 15	Howard County Fair

If you have any questions call Mr. Andy 443-324-2160 or Ms. Kathy 301-667-0559.

Junior Ambassadors

Announcing the 2015-2016 Junior Ambassador Team: Emmie Laney, Payton Steele, Marissa Roberts, Sam Spielman, Trevor Munk, Albert Burdette, Clare Abel, Caroline Boone, Ryan Schooley, and Bryn Kerney. Congratulations on being accepted to the team. We look forward to working with you throughout the year!

NEW Buy Local Challenge

Get your produce fresh! 4-Hers can raise awareness of buying locally grown food during the Buy Local Challenge happening **July 18-26** in Carroll County. We encourage you to find the “Carroll County Carrot” character at one of the designated farmers markets in the county and take a “selfie” with it. Pictures can be submitted with Instagram using the hashtag *#carrollcountygrown*. Be sure to include your name and club as a comment. Pictures that cannot be submitted using Instagram can be sent by email to Diana Hare at dhare@carrollbiz.org.

For more details about farmer’s markets, contact Ann Dicke at adicke@umd.edu.

Calling All Consumers

Have you ever purchased something at the store? Maybe saved up your allowance for a new toy you wanted? Hit a sale on new school clothes? Are you sure you made the best selection and chose the best product for your money? Whether you realize it or not, you are a consumer!

This year’s topics include: Who Seed We Are Nuts?, Just Imagine How Much Cooler I’ll Be in Summer, Yogurt This, Hot Poppin, Be Great When You Clean, Bark! Meow! Feed me please!, Baby, It’s Cold Outside, and Cowboy Couture.

Come test your knowledge at the county contest on Tuesday, July 21st at 6:30pm. The awards program for this year’s participants will be Thursday, August 13th at 7pm.

Carroll County 4-H Residential Camp

Older Week (10-14 yrs.) –July 13-17

Theme: “Camp Toes in the Sand”

Come join the camp family and enjoy a week at Hashawha!

For more information contact Kim Dixon at kdixon12@umd.edu

Shooting Sports Camp

Carroll County 4-H Shooting Sports Camps are back for 2015. Applications were available on the UME Carroll Extension website (extension.umd.edu/carroll-county). Contact Kim Dixon at kdixon12@umd.edu

Archery Camp: (8-18 yrs.) (Class Full)	June 29-July 2, located at Mayberry Archers
Shotgun Trap Shooting Camp: (13-18 yrs.)	July 13-15, Dug Hill Shooting Sports Club
Junior Shotgun Clinic: (8-13 yrs.)	July 15-16, Dug Hill Shooting Sports Club
Advanced Shotgun Clinic: (11-18 yrs.)	July 13-14, Dug Hill Shooting Sports Club

International Opportunities

Are you interested in travel? Or how about learning and sharing different cultures in your own home? Maryland 4-H is offering an opportunity for 4-H members to travel the world in the summer of 2015. Travel opportunities include Japan, Finland or Costa Rica. There is even the opportunity to share your home with a Japanese student. To learn more on both of these opportunities visit: <https://extension.umd.edu/4-h/4-h-program-areas/travel>

Diamond Clover Level 6

It's time for all Senior 4-Hers to be thinking about their Diamond Clover Level 6 project. If you plan on working on your level 6 project it is time for you to reach out to the Extension office and create a team. You will need your club leader, a 4-H Educator, and a 4-H All Star. Please contact Ann Dicke at 410-386-2760 or adicke@umd.edu.

Scholarship Opportunities

Don't forget that there is a binder full of scholarship opportunities at the Extension Office. Remember there are different due dates on each scholarship, so come by and check out all of these opportunities!

Club News

Check out the club news on the Carroll County Extension website. Articles being featured this month include:

Rolling Clovers Achievement Program
Rolling Clovers May Meeting updates
Carrollton 4-H Club Achievement Banquet

Articles can be found at: extension.umd.edu/carroll-county

Filled Bag Fundraiser

Carroll County 4-H will be hosting a Filled Bag fundraiser in October to raise money for our youth attending National Trips which include: National 4-H Congress, National 4-H Conference, Judging Contests, Engineering Events and much more! We are currently seeking clubs/individuals who are interested in sponsoring a filled bag. The fundraiser will run from October 1-31, 2015, with a winner drawn every day! Please see the sponsorship letter at the end of April's *Tribune*. If you have questions, please contact Becky at 410-386-2760. More information to follow when tickets are available for purchase.

CC 4-H/FFA Fair

2015 Fair Date: August 1-8

Remember that everyone is welcome to participate in Fair Board meetings held at the Extension Office. The next meeting date is **July 22, 2015** starting at 7:30 pm.

2015 Fair Theme

“Feeding Carroll County in more ways than one”

Indoor Building Updates

Cake discs are available in the Extension Office. Please pick them up before the fair; however, they will be available at the fair in the Red Building Superintendent area if you are unable to visit the Extension Office before the Fair begins.

Check the catalog for rules and regulations for **each** department/description for classes. Bring your claim sheet with you on the day of entry and for entry pick up on release day.

Photography-Exhibitors are limited to 5 entries total

Informal Demonstration Department-Did you pre-register to do an Informal Demonstration? Don't forget to call and schedule a time.

Please come to the Red Building Superintendent table when you arrive if you need to change a class number. Please be prepared to give the new class number. Class changes can only be made within the same department. You will need a new entry tag from the superintendent table in order to have that item judged and to receive your premium for that item. (See Item 17)

Every 4-Her is expected to help with Fair Set-Up and Clean-Up. **NEW THIS YEAR**-See Item 14.

Indoor Building Departments Orientation

1. Entering and judging of indoor exhibits takes place over 5 days. It is necessary to do this due to space and overlapping of judges.
2. Craft Judging is done in 3 areas--Activity Tent, Food Tent and Nathan Blizzard Building.
3. Mechanical Arts entering is in the Therapeutic Riding Building.
4. Silk and Dried Flowers, Plants and Flowers and Woodworking are in the breezeway outside of Burns Hall.
5. Foods are judged in Medford and Alesia Buildings (Red Buildings), Nathan Blizzard Bldg or Decorated Creations in Rm. A & B in the Extension Office.
6. All other departments will be judged close to the area where they will be displayed.
7. **Prior to** the start of the fair, 4-Hers should pick up a packet which will have an entry tag for each of their entries, a claim sheet (8 1/2 by 11' sheet of paper listing their indoor entries to match their entry tags), parking pass, parking information and any other pertinent information. These packets will be available on Sat. July 25 and Sun. July 26 (See Fair schedule for times and location).
8. Entry tags should be attached by string, rubber band or safety pin to the item. Scotch tape usually doesn't hold all week. Check depts. for specifics.

9. Review the Fair schedule for the judging days and times of your items.
10. Review the catalog for rules and class descriptions in each department.
11. Each day you are entering exhibits make sure you bring your claim sheet. Otherwise you will need to have a new one printed.
12. Items are judged by a pair of judges which is called conference judging. The judges will ask the 4-Hers questions about the item. This is a learning experience. After being judged, the items will be placed on shelves or display areas for exhibition.
13. Be aware of the ending time for judging in each department. If you have a lot of entries in a department, judge your time accordingly. Be respectful of our volunteer judges' time.
14. Set-Up time for intermediates and seniors whose last name starts with letters A-L is Saturday July 25 at 2:30PM. The time for juniors/clovers whose last name starts with A-L is Saturday July 25 at 3:30PM. Clean-up should be starting at 10AM on Saturday, August 8 for exhibitors whose last name starts with M-Z.
15. Every 4-H Club has a time slot for Guard Duty in the Red Buildings and Nathan Blizzard Building. These volunteer "guards" watch over the exhibits and help keep them from being touched, broken or stolen.
16. Release of exhibits is Sat., Aug. 8 (9AM-11AM). 4-Hers need to bring their claim sheet to pick up their items. If they do not have their sheet a new sheet will need to be printed. **NO ITEMS CAN BE TAKEN OUT ON FRI., AUG 7.**
17. If a 4-Her is making a substitution they need a new entry tag printed. This can be done at Miss Sandy's station. Substitutions can only be done in the same department.

Most important of all, any questions about exhibits need to be directed to the department superintendent before the fair.

Sandra Stonesifer, Indoor Building Superintendent. 410 857-0416

Poultry Fair Update

As many have heard of the unprecedented incidences of High Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) currently in our country, the Maryland Department of Agriculture has revised the 2015 Fair and Show Requirements for Poultry. As of May 8, 2015 waterfowl (ducks/geese) will not be allowed to enter Maryland Fairs and Shows. All poultry, both in state or out of state, must be tested for Avian Influenza within 10 days prior to entry, or originate from a NPIP Avian Influenza Clean or Monitored flock. What this means is that **ALL POULTRY MUST HAVE AI TESTING COMPLETED WITHIN 10 DAYS OF THE CARROLL COUNTY 4-H/FFA FAIR.** If you have questions, please contact the superintendents or the extension office.

Attention Dairy Goat Exhibitors

This year the fair dairy goat show will be held on Wednesday, August 5th at 9:30am.

Fair Kitchen Donations

The 4-H/FFA Fair Kitchen is looking for donations of fresh vegetables and volunteers for fair week. Anyone interested in donating a whole/half steer or hog, please contact Katie Bryan for further information. If you have any questions, donations or can volunteer, please email Katie at tiggerbryan23@aol.com or call 443-340-5617. Looking for sweet corn, squash, cucumbers, onions, potatoes, melons, tomatoes, and many other fresh veggies! Thank you for your generosity in making the Fair kitchen a success!

Silent Auction Donations

Individuals and clubs are encouraged to bring their donations for the silent auction to the Extension Office. The Silent Auction will take place at the 4-H/FFA Fair and proceeds will benefit the Fair and the Carroll County 4-H Program. Please see the flyer attached to the June 2015 *Tribune*.

Attention Dog Show Participants

This year the fair dog show will be held on Sunday, July 26th in the Shipley Arena.

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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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These people refuse to say Neigh!!!

Congratulations Horse Judges!! Carroll County 4-H was well represented at the state Horse Judging Contest that took place on Saturday, May 30th at University of Maryland College Park. Thank you to coaches, Janie Dell, Amanda Hart and Bob Shirley!!

Junior Division – Team-3rd

Individual Overall–Olivia Hart-9th

Individual Overall Halter–Olivia Hart-10th

Individual Overall Performance–Teaghen Green-4th, Logan Mackenzie-8th

Individual Overall Reasons–Teaghen Green-1st, Olivia Hart-6th, Logan Mackenzie-10th

Intermediate Division

Individual Overall–Lesa Ramsburg-2nd, Sophie Wolf-6th

Individual Overall Halter–Lesa Ramsburg-2nd, Sophie Wolf-6th

Individual Overall Performance–Lesa Ramsburg-5th, Sophie Wolf-8th

Individual Overall Reasons–Lesa Ramsburg-1st, Sophie Wolf-6th

Senior Division – Team-2nd

Individual Overall–Katie Grasser-2nd, Hannah Cimbalevich-4th, Noella LaFaver-7th,
Melanie Martin-9th

Individual Overall Halter–Katie Grasser-2nd, Hannah Cimbalevich-4th, Noella LaFaver-10th

Individual Overall Performance–Katie Grasser-2nd, Hannah Cimbalevich-5th, Noella LaFaver-8th

Individual Overall Reasons–Katie Grasser-1st, Hannah Cimbalevich-5th, Noella LaFaver-6th,
Alexis Dickson-9th, Melanie Martin-10th

DATES TO REMEMBER:

June 29-July 2	CC Archery Camp, Mayberry Archers
July 13-14	CC Advanced Shotgun Clinic, Dug Hill Shooting Sports Club
July 13-15	CC Shotgun Trap Shooting Camp, Dug Hill Shooting Sports Club
July 15-16	CC Junior Shotgun Clinic, Dug Hill Shooting Sports Club
July 13-17	CC 4-H Residential Camp (Older Week), Hashawha
July 20-23	Clover Fun Days, CC Extension Office
July 30-31	Indoor exhibits entered at the Carroll County 4-H/FFA Fair
July 31	Last day to enter your Maryland State Fair Entries online
August 1-8	Carroll County 4-H/FFA Fair
August 26	Indoor Exhibit items entered at the Maryland State Fair
Aug.27-Sept 6	Maryland State Fair

**SEND THIS FORM TO THE MARYLAND 4-H CENTER
DO NOT MAIL TO THE MARYLAND STATE FAIR**

4-H/FFA EXHIBITOR RELEASE FORM

DEADLINE: JULY 31, 2015

Submit this form to the Maryland 4-H Center.

Equal Opportunity Programs

PRIVACY DISCLOSURE: Information provided on State Fair Entry Forms may be used and shared within the Maryland State Fair and Agricultural Society, Inc. (MSF), University of Maryland Extension (UME), the University of Maryland and the University System of Maryland and with outside entities as necessary or appropriate in accordance with applicable law and the mission, purpose and functions of MSF, UME and the University. Because the University is a State educational institution, such information may also be subject to disclosure under the Maryland Access to Public Records Act. A person may inspect and/or correct his or her personal information as provided by the Maryland Access to Public Records Act and/or applicable University policy.

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ATTENTION EXHIBITOR: This form must be completed in order to exhibit at the Maryland State Fair.

Please read the following sections carefully, then complete and sign where indicated. Both sections I and II must be completed regardless of the age of the Exhibitor.

SECTION I - EXHIBITOR

I, the undersigned Exhibitor, have read, understand and agree to abide by all the Rules and Regulations published in the MSF 4-H and FFA Premium Catalog. I also have read, understand and agree to abide by the rules and guidelines presented in "Maryland 4-H Behavioral Expectations" and "Maryland 4-H Disciplinary Policy and Procedures". I understand that both of these documents are available upon request from my 4-H office or the State 4-H Office. If staying overnight, I also agree to abide by the Overnight Policy and Rules as published in the premium book. By signing below, I agree that I release and will not hold the University of Maryland, University of Maryland Extension or the Maryland State Fair and Agricultural Society, Inc. and their agents, employees or volunteers liable for any accidents or injury or loss to me or my property which may occur while participating in the fair.

I hereby certify that I am participating as an active member of (check one):

- 4-H 4-H Age: _____ 4-H County/City: _____
 FFA Birthdate: _____ FFA Chapter: _____

Printed LAST NAME of Exhibitor Printed FIRST NAME Signature

SECTION II – PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

I, the undersigned Parent or Legal Guardian of the above named Exhibitor, hereby release and shall indemnify and hold harmless the University of Maryland, University of Maryland Extension and the Maryland State Fair and Agricultural Society, Inc. and their agents, employees and volunteers for any accident or injury or loss to person or property which may occur while my child is participating in the Maryland State Fair. I also understand and agree that I am fully responsible for my child and her/his actions while at the Maryland State Fair. If me or my child is staying overnight at the fair, I also understand and agree to the Overnight Policy and Rules as published in the MSF 4-H/FFA Premium Catalog.

Printed Name of Parent/Legal Guardian Signature Date

**Completed form is due by July 31st to the Maryland 4-H Center, 8020 Greenmead Drive, College Park, MD 20740.
Only ONE Release Form per exhibitor is required. FAXED FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
Questions regarding this form may be directed to the State 4-H Office at (301) 314-7824.**

I acknowledge that I have read, understand and agree to abide by the rules, regulations, policies and procedures published in the Maryland State Fair 4-H/FFA Premium Catalog. I understand that I will have to sign and turn in an Exhibitor Release Form in order for my child to exhibit at the fair. I further understand and agree that I am fully responsible for my child, their exhibits and their actions while at the fair.

I acknowledge that I have read, understand and agree to abide by the rules, regulations, policies and procedures published in the Maryland State Fair 4-H/ FFA Premium Catalog. I understand that my parent/guardian and I will have to sign and turn in an Exhibitor Release Form in order for me to exhibit at the fair. I verify that I have met the requirements listed in the premium catalog and I believe I am eligible to enter in the classes listed on this entry form.

Signature of Parent/Guardian Date Signature of Exhibitor Date