



# TRIBUNE

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## 2016 Re-enrollment Procedure

2016 Re-enrollment will begin on January 11, 2016. You will be able to log into 4-H Online ([maryland.4honline.com](http://maryland.4honline.com)) to complete re-enrollment. Please note that EVERYONE (4-H MEMBERS and UME VOLUNTEERS) will need to log into their family accounts that you created in 2015 and reenroll each person listed on your account. You must be enrolled into the Carroll County 4-H Program by May 1, 2016 to be eligible to show at the 2016 CC 4-H/FFA Fair.

Please follow this link for step-by-step directions on how to re-enroll at <http://go.umd.edu/reenroll4h>

If you have questions, please contact the Extension Office at 410-386-2760.

## Mid-Winter Blah's

Beat the Midwinter Blah's will be held on **Saturday, January 30, 2016** at the Carroll County Extension Office and Ag Center. Plan on joining us for this exciting day! We have classes for youth of all ages. Check it out— you might want to learn how to make soap, learn all about tie-dye, make candy, or learn about cake decorating and crafts...just to name a few! We recommend you register early to save your spot. The rules and regulations for the Blahs, as well as the registration form, are in this newsletter. The class listing will be sent to club leaders and posted online at <http://go.umd.edu/2016blahs> If you have any questions, feel free to contact Ann at 410-386-2760 or via email at [adicke@umd.edu](mailto:adicke@umd.edu)

## 4-H Social Media

We have new opportunities for 4-H families to connect with the Carroll County 4-H Program.

1. Online 4-H Calendar – Keep up to date on events happening within the county and state wide by visiting the Carroll County 4-H Calendar at <http://go.umd.edu/cc4hcal>
2. Check out the Carroll County 4-H Pinterest boards for a variety of ideas from healthy living to craft projects at <https://www.pinterest.com/carrollcoun1256/>
3. Follow UME Carroll County on Facebook and learn what's happening with 4-H and Extension at <https://www.facebook.com/umecarroll/>

## Filled Bag Fundraiser

### WE ARE IN NEED OF SPONSORS!!!!

Carroll County 4-H will be hosting a Filled Bag Fundraiser in 2016 to raise money for youth attending National Trips which include: National 4-H Congress, National 4-H Conference, Judging Contest, Engineering Events and much more! We are in need of clubs/individuals/businesses to sponsor bags. The fundraiser will take place in the summer of 2016 with a winner drawn every day! Please see the sponsorship letter at the end of this *Tribune*. If you have questions, please contact Becky at 410-386-2760. More information to follow when tickets are available for purchase.

## Senior Portfolios

If you are a senior 4-H 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 an application at:

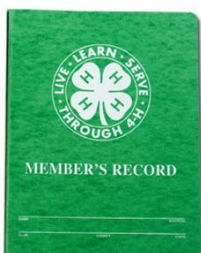
<http://extension.umd.edu/4-h/youth-families/awards-recognition> and turn it in with your portfolio. **All senior portfolios are due on January 4, 2016.** If you would like help or advice on putting together a senior portfolio please call Becky at the Extension Office. The **2016 Essay Topic:** *Write an essay on your most memorable 4-H experience that will highlight the positive experiences you have had in 4-H and what you would share with someone 10 or 20 years from now.*

## 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 1, 2016** (or earlier!). All of the Diamond Clover forms can be found on the Carroll County Extension website. If you have questions, please contact Ann at the Extension Office.

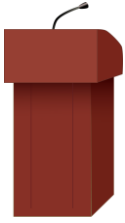
## Record Books/Clover Memory Books



Junior Record Books and Clover Memory Books are **due to the Extension Office by February 1, 2016.**



## CC 4-H Leadership Conference



Do you want to learn more leadership skills? Do you want to become a better leader? Do you like having fun? If you answered, "Yes" to any of these, then you should register for the **2016 Carroll County 4-H Leadership Conference!** The conference will be on **March 19th, 2016 at 10AM and held at the CC Extension Office.** During the conference, 4-Hers will develop better communication skills, public speaking skills, teamwork, responsibility and learn about Roberts Rules of Order. Activities will be fun, exciting, and led by the county's very own Ambassador Team! Call the Extension Office now to register. There is a \$5.00 registration fee and 4-Hers must be at least 12 years old! Email Tommy Diffendal for more details: [trdiffend@gmail.com](mailto:trdiffend@gmail.com).

## Healing Hugs

Calling all 4-H friends and family! The Carroll County 4-H Ambassadors will be continuing the Healing Hugs program this year. We are asking for the donation of new stuffed animals and teddy bears for sick and injured children in Carroll Hospital Center and John Hopkins Children's Center; a gift that brings comfort and smiles during a difficult time. The Ambassadors will be delivering the animals for Valentine's Day and St. Patrick's Day in 2016.

Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated for the purchase of animals, as well. Checks can be made payable to CCEAC. Please note Healing Hugs on the check. All donations can be dropped off in the Extension Office any time now thru March 1<sup>st</sup> and during the Mid-Winter Blahs. Any questions, please call Kim Dixon at the Extension Office. Thank you for helping brighten a child's day!



## MD 4-H State Leadership Opportunity

Maryland 4-H State Council is searching for youth between the ages of 13-18 to serve as members on the council. State 4-H Council is a great opportunity to provide state leadership to the 4-H program, while looking great to put on your resumes and college applications. 4-H Council Members help in planning events throughout the state. If you are interested in applying or to learn more about the MD State 4-H Council visit: <http://extension.umd.edu/4-h/4-h-program-areas/maryland-4-h-state-council> **Applications are due by December 15<sup>th</sup>.**

## 4-H Summer Intern

We will once again be able to offer our summer 4-H Intern position! We are looking for someone who is no longer a 4-H member and interested in learning more about the 4-H Program and Extension. If you know someone who may currently be a college student pursuing extension, education, social work... this opportunity may be right for them! Contact Becky at 410-386-2760 or email [bridgewa@umd.edu](mailto:bridgewa@umd.edu) for the job description and application. **Deadline to apply is January 29, 2016.**

## 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 **January 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm** at the Extension Office. Registration is required so please call the Extension Office at 410-386-2760 if you are interested in this program.

## 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, January 14<sup>th</sup> 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.

## Volunteers - Thank you for the Gift of Time



Thank you leaders for the gift of time. 4-H leaders provide a wonderful service to our community. 4-Hers have a great time improving their life skills through hands-on learning made possible by our volunteer 4-H leaders.

The 4-H program wants to know how many hours our volunteers spend making the lives of our 4-Hers better. Eventually these hours could be used as important numbers for grants and funding to help 4-H. Quarterly volunteer hour surveys are being sent via email to our UME volunteers at the end of December. Every hour counts so please take the time to open the survey and log your hours for October, November and December. Tell us the number of youth reached each month and the club or group for which you volunteer. Please share your impact with the 4-H program. Did you know that statistics show email sent by non-profit organizations are only opened by 25% of the recipients? ("Email Marketing Benchmarks" by MailChimp Blog) Let's prove Carroll County 4-H leaders care by submitting those hours. Your participation will make a difference.

## Club Leader Updates

Club Paperwork – All club paperwork is due to the Extension Office by January 15th.

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

Ag Center Procedure – When reserving a building with the Ag Center, please follow these steps.

1. Call a 4-H Educator (Becky, Kim, or Ann)
  2. Give a reason you need the building? If we can accommodate you at the Extension Office, that will be our first option.
  3. If an Ag Center facility is still needed, the 4-H Educator will make the reservation for your club.
- If you have questions about this policy, please contact one of the 4-H Educators.

## Animal Science Webinar

Maryland 4-H Animal Science Volunteers and Leaders are invited to join members of the Maryland 4-H Animal Science Task Force for the 2015-2016 4-H Animal Science Program Update webinar on **Tuesday, December 15 from 6:30-8:30pm**. Items covered will include:

4-H Livestock, Dairy and Horse Program Updates for 2016  
2016 Animal Health Exhibition Requirements presented by MDA  
2016 4-H Livestock Tagging Guidelines

Helping Members Understand the Importance of Meeting Rate of Gain Requirements  
Resources for Hands-on Animal Science Activities for Members

To register for the webinar visit: <https://form.jotform.com/53224527867967>

## Steer Weigh-In

We have scheduled steer weigh in for **Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at the Ag Center TRP Building beginning at 8 am until 11 am**. 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 a 2-part form. You must turn in the form intact. Remember to sign the front and back of the form.** Your copy will be given to you on the day of weigh-in. If you have questions, call 410-386-2760. **Registration forms are due to the CC Extension Office by Monday, January 4, 2016. Tag cost is \$2 per steer/heifer. Make checks payable to CCEAC.**

## Beef Field Day

Beef Field Day will be held on **Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>** at the TRP Building. More information provided in coming months.

## Horse Bowl Practices

It's time to start preparing for Horse Bowl! Practices will be held every Wednesday at 7 pm beginning on **December 2<sup>nd</sup>** at the Extension Office. You don't need to ride or own a horse to participate in Horse Bowl!

## Dairy Bowl Practices

It will soon be time to start those Dairy Bowl Practices again!! **All start at 7:30 pm at the Extension Office.** Here are the dates:

January 28  
February 4, 11, 18, 25  
March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31  
April 7, 14



Contact Gary Brauning at 443-375-6963 for more information.

## Skillathon! Skillathon! Skillathon!

If you missed the practices in the fall, don't worry, we still have much more to learn and work on in the next 2 months!! We have gone over Breeds of Livestock, Parts of Livestock Animals and Equipment, but we will be going over them every time we meet! We still have Feedstuff, Meats, Wool and some Quality Assurance problems.

We may be meeting with Howard and Montgomery Counties to do some special off-site visits, but those are still in the planning stages.

Dates to put on your calendar: December 3<sup>rd</sup>, December 10<sup>th</sup>, January 14<sup>th</sup>, January 28 (Fair Office), February 11<sup>th</sup>, February 25 (Fair Office), March 3<sup>rd</sup>

Practices start at 7 pm at the Extension Office and we will finish up by 8:15-8:30.

If you have any questions, please call Kathy Gordon, 301-667-0559 or for more information.

## Livestock Video Opportunity

Have an interest in sharing more about your livestock projects with the community? What about the opportunity to enter one of the video contests at the fair, but you just don't know how to go about doing it? Here is the perfect opportunity for you! The Community Media Center is looking to team up with 4-H members with animal projects to make videos that showcase how you select your animals and care for them, to showing and marketing them for sale. Anything you do with your animals can be shared through a video. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, call the Extension Office at 410-386-2760 and talk with Becky.



## Congratulations!



Congratulations to **Katie Grasser** for representing Maryland on the Horse Communications Team. Katie placed 7<sup>th</sup> overall and the Maryland Team brought home 1<sup>st</sup> place!!! **Hannah Cimbaljevich** placed 9<sup>th</sup> overall and her team was 8<sup>th</sup> overall representing the Maryland 4-H Hippology Team. Congratulations **Alexis Dickson** for representing Carroll County on the MD 4-H Horse Judging Team.

Congratulations **Brook Hoff** on her 6<sup>th</sup> place overall individual placing, with the Maryland 4-H Dairy Judging Team. The team placed 4<sup>th</sup> overall in Louisville!

Congratulations **Brittany Lippy** for your 7<sup>th</sup> place individual reasons placing with the Maryland 4-H Livestock Judging Team, which competed in Louisville, KY!

## Fashion Revue Meeting

The Fashion Revue Committee will be holding a meeting on **Wednesday, December 9th at 7 pm** at the Extension Office. All youth interested in planning next year's event are welcome to attend.

## Gala Basket

Once again we will be putting together a county basket for the MD 4-H Gala. The gala will be held on Sunday, January 17, 2016 at the Laurel Race Park. This year's basket theme will be a "**Baking Basket**". Any items you can donate are appreciated and can include, baking pans, cupcake liners, decorating supplies, baking mixes, etc. **Please have your donations to the Extension Office by January 13<sup>th</sup>**. Clubs are also encouraged to make their own baskets! Proceeds from the gala baskets go back to the MD 4-H Foundation to help fund national trips, scholarships, etc.

## Paper Retriever

Don't forget that we have Paper Retriever containers at the Extension Office for everyone to recycle their paper products. A new company has taken over the recycling and we can now take more items. Any paper items (excluding food products) such as paper, cardboard, phone books, books, and magazines. Don't forget, this serves as a year round fundraiser for the Carroll County 4-H Program.

## Winter Residential Camp

Chill out at 4-H Camp at Patuxent River 4-H Center **January 15-18**. There will be a variety of activities for campers to participate in including archery, arts and crafts, ropes course, leadership building, and/or team building. Winter camp will be held for those 8-11 years old and Teen Leadership Camp will be for those 12-18 years old. See the flyer in the November *Tribune* for more information.

## Camp Time

Carroll County Residential Camp dates have been set for 2016:

Week 1 (8-11 year olds) – June 20-23, 2016

Week 2 (10-14 year olds) – July 11-15, 2016

Staff must be able to attend training dates to accumulate the required number of hours to participate:

Adult Staff Training Weekend – January 8-10, 2016

Youth Staff Training Weekend – March 18-20, 2016

Training Dates: January 24, February 21, May 15 and June 5

If you have any questions please contact Amy Petkovsek at [amy.petkovsek@gmail.com](mailto:amy.petkovsek@gmail.com)



## Sensational Salsa Canning Workshop

Have you thought about what you would like to make your Valentine, Family or Friends this year? Then don't miss out on the Sensational Salsa for your Valentine canning workshop on **Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 9-1 pm** at the Extension Office. Everyone will leave with a jar of salsa that you will make. This is a free workshop for 4-H members!!! Call the Extension Office at 410-386-2760 to register. If you have questions contact Becky at the office or at [bridgewa@umd.edu](mailto:bridgewa@umd.edu).

## Demonstration Day

It's time to start thinking about Demonstration Day 2016! We have exciting NEW additions to the guidelines including a clover and club division, premium increase, and a Top Chef Challenge! This event will be held on **Saturday, February 20**. Arrive between 9 and 11 am as demonstrations will be given on a first come first serve basis (this is the same procedure as Public Speaking Day). Start thinking about that demo you've been wanting to do. This a great opportunity to compete at the county level while fulfilling a requirement for project records! All Demonstration Day registrations will be done online on the Carroll County Fair website at [www.carrollcountyfair.com](http://www.carrollcountyfair.com). **Registration will begin on January 1<sup>st</sup> and close February 5<sup>th</sup>**. Early registration is highly encouraged to prevent any last minute computer malfunctions. Rules and regulations are attached to the end of this *Tribune*. If you have any other questions, call the Extension Office or Mary Rasche, 410-756- 4280.

## Public Speaking

Prepare your speaking voices for the annual day of Public Speaking. Public Speaking Day is scheduled for **Saturday, March 5** beginning at 9 am. Rules and Regulations will be in this *Tribune* and can be found on the Fair website along with the Registration Form!! **Registration will begin on January 1<sup>st</sup> and will close February 20<sup>th</sup>**. ALL registration will be completed through the Carroll County Fair website at [www.carrollcountyfair.com](http://www.carrollcountyfair.com). The procedure will be the same as last year, no pre-scheduled times, but you must be present by 11 am to deliver your speech. Any questions, contact the Extension Office or Superintendents, Della Leister at 443-375-0123 or Rita Becker at 443- 375-1114.

## Science Fair Workshop



Always wanted to participate in a science fair, but not quite sure how to start your project? Then make plans to join us on **Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup> from 10am-4pm at the Carroll County Extension Office**. You will learn how to properly design and complete a science experiment, engineering project or research project. You will also learn how to communicate your results using a trifold display board or collection board. If you are interested in attending this exciting workshop call the Extension Office at 410-386-2760 to **register by Friday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>**, or if you have questions.

Also mark your calendars for the Northern Cluster Science Fair on Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at the Baltimore County Extension Office. You will have the opportunity to present your projects in front of judges and compete against other 4-H members. This is a great opportunity, even if you have a science fair project put together for school. An awesome day is planned with prizes for all! More information to follow about the contest.

## Small Engines/Lawn Mower Workshop

Every year after the Small Engines and Lawn Mower Contest many ask how they can prepare for next year. Come out to FSK High School on **Saturday, January 30<sup>th</sup>** and learn everything from overhead valve engines to disassembling and assembling. More information and a registration form can be found at the end of the November *Tribune*.





## Welding Workshop

Unleash your talent for mechanical arts while learning from an experienced welder and 4-H Alumni. The welding workshop is open to 12-18 year olds and will cover topics such as torch work, oxy welding, stick welding, MIG welding, etc. The workshop will be held on **January 23<sup>rd</sup>**. An email will be sent out to those who have expressed interest closer to the date of the workshop. If you have questions, contact Ann Dicke [adicke@umd.edu](mailto:adicke@umd.edu) before December 31<sup>st</sup>.

## Grow Your Business with Babysitting

A FREE babysitting workshop will be offered to Carroll County 4-Hers. The workshop is a 3 class series, with each class being 2 hours long. The classes will be held: **February 8th, 10th, and 11th from 5-7 pm** at the Extension Office. The workshop focuses on building entrepreneurial skills such as public speaking, interview skills, and setting up a resume. We will talk about child safety showing interactive videos and building first aid kits, and sharing activities to play with youth. The workshop is open to 12-18 years old with 15 spots available so call or email soon for a spot! This is a perfect opportunity to build your own business by doing something you enjoy! This workshop awards youth with a babysitting certificate upon completion of all 3 classes, but does not offer CPR/First Aid training. If you have questions, please contact Ann Dicke at [adicke@umd.edu](mailto:adicke@umd.edu) or (410) 386-2760.

## Club News

Check out the club news on the Carroll County Extension website at [extension.umd.edu/carroll-county](http://extension.umd.edu/carroll-county). Articles being featured this month include:

Northwest MD VEX Competition

Progressive Clovers November Meeting

Carrollton Fall Craft Night

\*\*\*The Chevonaire Dairy Goat Club would like to visit your club! They would love to bring their dairy goats and do a demonstration on how Dairy Goats are easy and fun to raise. If you would like to learn more please contact Ms. Miriam Bell at [miriam.bell@verizon.net](mailto:miriam.bell@verizon.net)

\*\*\*Gunpowder and High Ridge 4-H Clubs are collecting 2016 calendars. Any size and type of calendar is welcome. They are also collecting sweat pants and shirts for Walter Reed Hospital patients. Please, no buttons or zippers since patients are often missing limbs. There will be a collection box in the 4-H office for these items.

\*\*\*The Carroll County 4-H Dog Club marched in the Main Street Holiday Light Parade on Saturday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. They also participated in the 4-H Clover Drive at Tractor Supply in October selling clovers and homemade cookies.

## Oh Look... It's Bad Weather!

If it's bad weather that means things at the Extension Office may be closing! If there is no school or there is early dismissal in Carroll County due to inclement weather, all 4-H events are to be cancelled. In addition, if the snow emergency plan is in effect by 6:00 pm, all 4-H events are to be cancelled for that evening. If you have any questions, call the Extension Office at 410-386-2760.

## Carroll County 4-H All-Stars

Do you support 4-H? Do you have kids in 4-H? Do you want to know how you can help the program? The 4-H All-Stars is a group of active senior 4-Hers and adult UME volunteers who support the 4-H program. Come join us for our **January 5th meeting at 7 pm** at the Extension Office to learn more about who we are. We will also be electing new officers. We are accepting nomination of officers through December 31<sup>st</sup> for President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Scout. If you are interested in one of the above positions, please contact:

Cheryl – chill1@umd.edu, JoAnn – Cashman1987@verizon.net or Darlene – manuremadam@aol.com



The CC 4-H All-Stars sponsor the Achievement Program AllStar Award. We will be selling oval 4-H Car Magnets to help fund this award. The magnets are \$5 each and are available at the Extension Office. We will also try to have magnets available at various countywide 4-H events.

Do you know a senior 4-Her or a Volunteer that deserves to be nominated as a Maryland 4-H All-Star? If so, let us know. The criteria to be nominated is: the candidate must be a person of sterling character; maintain high ideals and ethics pertaining to the home and his/her life therein; be loyal, resourceful, responsible, with a sense of understanding the viewpoints and needs of others; have a record of leadership and service; be one who through sincere interest and participation in support of 4-H Club work and community activities works for the progress of the group as a whole and not for self-gain; and be one who demonstrates a practical application of the personal motto, "I serve."

## CC 4-H/FFA Fair

**IMPORTANT DATES – 2016 Carroll County 4-H/FFA Fair – July 30<sup>th</sup> – August 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**Everyone** is welcome to participate in Fair Board meetings held at the Extension Office. The next meeting date is: **January 27, 2016, 7 pm** at the Extension Office

**Too Many Ribbons or Trophies?** Don't throw them away! Bring them to the Extension Office or to a Fair Board meeting. The Fair will recycle them for next year! So don't throw them out, let's recycle!

**FAIR PHOTO** orders from the 2015 Carroll County 4-H/FFA Fair are available in the Extension Office. We have pictures for the following:

Debbie Eckard  
Melissa Garvick  
Danielle Green  
Debbie Green  
Kathy Gruber  
Tammy Harmony  
Cris Hevner  
Summer Huber

Jennifer Leppert  
Sarah Linscomb  
Kristen Poth  
Donna Ruby  
Jacqueline Spielman  
Debbie Talbert  
Amy Thompson  
Kay Wagner

## Ag Center News

Please be advised that all parking on the Shipley Ag Center 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 4-H groups. More information will be released as we get closer to the date.

## Garden Grant Opportunities

The Carroll County Garden Club wants to encourage 4-Hers to become involved in a gardening project. To help with the start-up cost, the CC Garden Club will award \$20 grants and mentoring guidance to youth. The CC Garden club can also help by supplying pots, seedlings, etc. **Grant applications are due by January 15, 2016.** For an application, please email [bridgewa@umd.edu](mailto:bridgewa@umd.edu).

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### Carroll County 4-H Youth Development

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Westminster, MD 21157-5700

<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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If you have a disability that requires special assistance for your participation in a program, please contact the Carroll County Extension Office at 410-386-2760, fax: 410-876-0132, two (2) weeks prior to the program.

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

December 24	CC Extension Office Closed
December 25	CC Extension Office Closed, Christmas
December 31	CC Extension Office Closing @ noon

Happy  
Holidays!

## 2016 Dates

January 1	CC Extension Office Closed, New Year's Day
<b>January 4</b>	<b>Senior Portfolios Due and Steer Registration Forms due</b>
January 5	4-H All-Star Meeting, CC Extension Office, 7 pm
January 8-10	Residential Camp Adult Staff Training Weekend, Hashawha
January 9	Steer Weigh-In, TRP Building, 8-11 am
<b>January 11</b>	<b>On-line re-enrollment for 4-H members and volunteers begins</b>
January 14	UME Volunteer Training, CC Extension Office, 6 pm
January 18	CC Extension Office Closed, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
January 19	New 4-Her Orientation, CC Extension Office, 7 pm
January 30	Beat the Mid-Winter Blahs, CC Ag Center & CC Ext Office, 8:30 – 3:30
January 31	Northern Cluster Science Workshop, CC Ext Office, 10-4 pm
<b>February 1</b>	<b>Diamond Clover, Record Books, Clover Memory Books Due</b>
February 6	Sensational Salsa Canning Workshop, CC Extension Office, 9-1 pm
February 15	CC Extension Office Closed, President's Day
February 20	County Demonstration Contest, CC Extension Office
March 5	County Public Speaking Contest, CC Extension Office
March 5	State Livestock Skillathon Contest, Hagerstown, MD
March 18-20	Residential Camp Youth Staff Training Weekend, Hashawha

November 30, 2015

Dear Carroll County 4-H Supporters:

In 2016 Carroll County 4-H will be hosting a Thirty-One Filled Bag Fundraiser that will support 4-H members on their national trips endeavors. The Carroll County 4-H program is committed to supporting 4-H members who move on to represented Maryland and Carroll County 4-H on a variety of national trips including:

National 4-H Congress  
National 4-H Conference  
Judging and Bowl Contests  
National Engineering Contest  
National Shooting Sports  
And many more!

Carroll County 4-H is able to support the 25% portion of what 4-H members are responsible for when achieving a national trip. With the continued backing of our Carroll County 4-H supporters we will continue to support these youth in their endeavors.

We are currently seeking clubs or individuals who would be willing to sponsor a bag and/or fill the bag. If you wish to sponsor the general cost of bags being used for the fundraiser the costs range from \$25-\$50, but any amount to sponsor would be greatly appreciated. If a club/individual would like to purchase items to fill a bag, please contact Becky Ridgeway at 410-386-2760 or [bridgewa@umd.edu](mailto:bridgewa@umd.edu) as items still in need will be filled on a first come first served policy.

Thank you for your continued support!

Becky Ridgeway  
4-H Educator

Kim Dixon  
4-H Educator

Ann Dicke  
4-H Educator

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Thirty-One Filled Bag Fundraiser  
Carroll County 4-H

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I want to sponsor a bag \_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I want to fill a bag \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsorship Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to CCEAC.

## Demonstrations & Illustrated Talks

*(This information is being furnished so you are able to plan what you would like to enter. Entry information will be distributed once the fair program has been updated to this year's information.)* Solutions in your community

SUPERINTENDENT – Mary Rasche (410-756-4280)

Assistants – Sandra Stonesifer (410-857-0416)    Angie Bachtel (443/277-6518)

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### CONTEST: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2016 – 9 A.M. – CARROLL CO. EXTENSION OFFICE

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- **THERE WILL BE NO ASSIGNED TIMES FOR DEMONSTRATIONS THIS YEAR.** The contest will start at 9:00 a.m. Report to the registration desk in Burns Hall no later than 11:00 a.m. to participate. You will need to pre-register. Registration forms will be available on the Carroll County Fair website. There will be a link to direct you to the form. You will need to create a different login from the one you used for the fair. Online registration opens January 1, 2016 and closes 11:59 p.m. February 5, 2016.
- Room Monitors (those who assist in keeping the day running smoothly) are needed. Call Sandy Stonesifer at 410-857-0416 or the 4-H office to sign up. Room monitors will be given the opportunity to do their presentation. Classes – ages as of January 1 of the current year – Clovers – ages 5-7; Junior – ages 8-10; Intermediate – ages 11-13; Senior – ages 14-18.

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### DIVISIONS – Rules and Regulations

1. Division A – Juniors (ages 8 thru 10)
2. Division B – Intermediates (ages 11 thru 13)
3. Division C – Seniors (ages 14 thru 18)
4. Division D – Clovers (ages 5 thru 7)
5. **Participants may give both an individual and team demonstration or illustrated talk. If two are given, they must be in different classes. One team member MUST contact superintendent to indicate who is giving the demonstration. BOTH team members must register on line.**
6. The length of a demonstration or illustrated talk should be: Junior Division – minimum 5 minutes, maximum 8 minutes; Intermediate Division – minimum 8 minutes, maximum 10 minutes; Senior Division – minimum 10 minutes, maximum 15 minutes
7. Previous state champion demonstrators are eligible to compete in the same project area within each age division.
8. An Illustrated Talk is structured with an introduction, body, and summary. Instead of actually showing how to do, you explain how by 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” (i.e., How To Prepare A Compost Manure Bed).
9. 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 product.
10. **Live animals are no longer allowed to be brought to the Extension Office as part of the demonstration or illustrated talk for some classes. Live animals may be used for other classes. Please be sure animals are properly restrained. Be sure to check fair entry as to which classes allow live animals and which do not.**
11. **Shooting Sports demonstrations using firearms, must be left in a vehicle until time of presentation and immediately returned to vehicle at the conclusion of demonstration. Also firearm, must be inspected by a UME Volunteer trained within the shooting sports program prior to start of demonstration.**

12. You may use "PowerPoint" as part of an Illustrated Talk. It will be your responsibility to provide a laptop computer for the presentation. A representative from the 4-H office will assist in setting up and connecting to the projector. You **MUST contact the superintendent in advance** so arrangements can be made for the presentation to be done in a room with a projector.
13. Premiums- Class Champion - \$10.00 per demonstration given; rosettes will be given to everyone who participates. Champion demonstrations will be awarded a medal. Club groups may participate and will be awarded a \$25 premium per demonstration.

**\*\*Class numbers will be listed online\*\***

#### **DIVISION A, B, C Description**

Automotive, Tractors, Small Engines, Bicycles  
Arts & Crafts, Photography  
Clothing, Personal Appearance  
Conservation, Entomology, Forestry, Marksmanship (**See rule above**)  
Family Life, Child Care, Safety, Health, Home Environment  
Gardening, Plan & Plant, Ag Commodities  
Handyman, Electric, Woodworking  
Livestock – Beef, Sheep, Swine, Horse/Pony, Dairy goat, Dairy Cattle, Veterinary Science (**See rule above**)  
Livestock – Rabbits, Poultry, Small Pets, Dogs  
General  
Food/Nutrition

#### **DIVISION D – Clovers (ages 5, 6 and 7 years of age as of January 1 of the current year) – Rules and Regulations**

1. Clovers will be evaluated and encouraged but not judged using the Danish system. All youth will receive a participation award. Premium offered for each clover's presentation is \$5.
2. A special clover evaluation sheet will be given to each participant.
3. No large animals are to be used in the demonstration. Kitchen facilities WILL NOT be available to clover demonstrators.
4. Demonstrations can be a team or individual presentation.

#### **DIVISION E – Horticulture– Individual – Rules and Regulations**

1. No individual or team will be allowed to present the same demonstration in successive years.
2. There is no minimum time limit. The maximum time limit is 15 minutes. Demonstrations over this time limit will be penalized. Set-up and take-down time is not included in the 15 minutes allotted for the demonstration.
3. At the end of the presentation the judges will have the right to ask questions. Questions will not be allowed from any individual other than the judge(s).
4. Presentations must be a demonstration.
5. Participants are responsible for bringing everything they need for their presentation. This includes extension cords, bowls, tablecloths, utensils, etc. Although every effort will be made to have a refrigerator and stove accessible, there is no guarantee.
6. Open flames are **prohibited** in any portion of the demonstration.

DIVISION E Descriptions

Production – Any practice that has to do with growing vegetables, fruits, nuts, flowers, ornamental plants and turf as well as those practices concerned with maintaining, replenishing, or increasing the productive capacity of the soil.

Marketing – Operations in preparing vegetables, edible tree nuts, fruits, flowers, and ornamental plants for market, offering for sale to a buyer or preparing for storage and exhibiting those horticultural crops.

Artistic Arrangement of Flowers and Vegetables – The use of flowers, vegetables and other horticultural crops in arrangements, corsages and plaques. Materials used may be live or dried. Weeds and native materials may be used. Artificial plants and flowers are not to be used.

Landscaping – Any practice that has to do with arrangement, establishment and maintenance of flowers, ornamental plants and turf around or within the home, business or public grounds. (Demonstrations on growing landscaping materials should be entered in the production class. Cut flower arrangement should be entered in class 54.)

### **DIVISION F – Top Chef Challenge – Rules and Regulations**

1. Participants will create their own healthy dish based on their age division. Prepared dish will be presented on a table setting appropriate to the theme of the dish.
2. Participants will be given 5-15 minutes to prepare their dish.
3. Participants will be given 20 minutes or less to prepare the kitchen set-up, ingredients, equipment, and anything else needed.
4. All ingredients should be measured out and prepared before time of presentation to allow time for cooking.
5. Participants will need to supply all their own equipment and cooking supplies needed to present their dish. They will have access to an easel, stovetop, and table space for presentations.
6. Participants should practice safe food handling skills including washing hands, food sanitation, monitoring temperature of perishable items, keeping a clean work environment, and wearing proper attire (Ex. Aprons, tying hair back for events, wear cover-toed shoes, wear oven mitts, etc)

### **DIVISION F Descriptions**

Jr. Entry: "Fuel Your Play" Healthy Snack

Int. Entry: "Fuel Your Day" Healthy Breakfast

Sr. Entry: "Fuel Your Family" Balanced one-pot meal (made in an electric skillet, casserole, soup pot, etc.)

### **DIVISION G – Menu Judging**

#### **Objectives**

1. Participants are encouraged to select and plan menus for one day according to the Dietary Guidelines.
2. Participants acquire knowledge about the nutritional value, cultural and ethnic characteristics of a wide variety of foods.
3. Participants develop skills in selecting and balancing meals for one day for a variety of life styles to learn how life styles affect meal patterns.
4. Participants apply nutrition information to food choices.
5. Participants use nutrition labeling in selecting foods for quick meals.

### **Rules and Regulations**



1. Menus should include the correct number of servings from each food group in the Pattern for Daily Food Choices.
2. Menus should include contrast of color, texture and flavors. Only one menu entry per class will be accepted for each 4-H member. Menu entries will be received no later than January 31, 2016 at the Carroll County Extension Office. Judging will occur prior to Demonstration Day.
3. On the reverse side of the menu - print - name - age - complete address - class number
4. On an additional page, describe for whom the menu is planned including self or other family member, age, activity or other information. Tell why the menu is balanced and explain how selections meet the Dietary Guidelines.
5. Menus should include a description of the preparation methods and amounts of foods. (Example of menu planning is available at the 4-H Office.)
6. Judging criteria includes (score sheets available at the 4-H Office): Nutrition - 30%, Variety - 30%; Meal Appeal - 10%; Moderation of sodium, fat, sugar - 10%; Food Needs of Family Member - 10%; Creativity - 10%
7. Prepared menu for a day using the MyPlate Nutritional Plan. Three meals, including no snack, hand printed or typed vertically on one 8 ½" x 11" sheet of paper, mounted on construction paper - no pictures. Updated information available from the 4-H Office.
8. Class Champions will be eligible for further competition during the Maryland State Fair.
9. Premiums - \$10.00 premium awarded for each demonstration given.

#### DIVISION G - Menu Judging Descriptions

Convenience Foods - One or more meal(s) -- may include pre-packaged or prepared convenience food(s); i.e., TV dinner, frozen entrée or side dish, packaged rice or macaroni product, etc. Attach label(s) from the convenience food used.

One Meal is from a Fast -Food Restaurant - one meal is purchased from a fast-food restaurant. Attach nutritional information from the fast-food restaurant.

One meal is a packed lunch - one meal should be written as a bagged or packed meal.

Vegetarian Menu - three meals meeting the nutritional needs of a vegetarian (lacto-ova). You may include dairy products and/or eggs, but not meat, poultry, or fish.

Ethnic Menu - describe the culture represented

#### **DIVISION H - Food & Nutrition Poster Contest - Rules and Regulations**

1. Only one entry per 4-Her is accepted.
2. Posters may be eligible for exhibition at the Maryland State Fair.
3. Posters may be either horizontal or vertical. Horizontal posters are encouraged; however, avoid a square-shaped poster.
4. Posters must be designed or affixed to a standard poster board with 14" x 22" dimensions.
5. Posters may be designed using water color, ink, crayon, acrylic, charcoal, oils, or collage. It must not be three-dimensional.
6. Well-known cartoon figures - such as Sponge Bob, The Simpsons, Scooby Doo, etc., cannot be used because they are protected by copyrights. Brand names of foods cannot be used.
7. The exhibitor's name, age, address, and a brief interpretative statement should be clearly written on a piece of paper and attached to the back of each poster in the upper left-hand corner.
8. Judging criteria includes: information given and idea expressed - 25%; art, design, and lettering - 25%; construction - 10%; and nutrition information - 40%.
9. Posters will be received no later than January 31, 2016 at the Carroll County Extension Office. Judging will occur prior to Demonstration Day.

10. All posters will be judged on the Danish System. Score sheets will be provided for the poster exhibits.
11. Premiums – \$10.00 premium awarded for each demonstration given.

## DIVISION I – Food Science Display

### **Objectives**

- Participants will develop an appreciation of the scientific process through planning and conducting experiments in food and nutrition.
- Participants gain experiences in reviewing, organizing, and interpreting scientific ideas in food and nutrition.
- Participants increase their knowledge about how science is used to convert raw agricultural produce into processed food products.
- Participants increase awareness of the relationship of biological and physical sciences to food and nutrition.
- Participants understand the importance of food and agricultural science and technology in providing a wide array of foods in today's markets and to recognize the many career opportunities.

### **Rules and Regulations**

1. No project may involve any live animals or harmful chemicals, explosives, open flames, or any other potentially dangerous materials.
2. Exhibitors must work on their displays individually. Team projects are NOT allowed.
3. Youth presenting a Food-Science Display will participate in conference judging on Demonstration Day.
4. The size of the display must be a minimum of 28" W x 14" D x 22" H or a maximum of 42" H x 36" W x 17" D and sturdy enough to stand alone.
5. The report may be hand-written or typed and attached to the display board. DO NOT attach multiple pages.
6. Food-Science Display scoring – Scientific thought – 35%; Originality – 25%; Thoroughness – 20%; Technical Skill – 10%; Clarity – 10%
7. Class Champions will be eligible for further competition at the Maryland State Fair.
8. Premiums – \$10.00 premium awarded for each demonstration given.

### **Parts of Display –**

**Title** – The title is written as a question or statement. Examples: What are the Effects of Enzymes on Fruits? OR The Effects of Enzymes on Fruits

**Purpose** – The purpose is a short statement of why the project was done. Example: The purpose of this project is to determine the effects of enzymes on the browning of fruit.

**Problem** – This tells what you want to investigate. This is usually in the form of a question. Example: Why do apples turn brown when exposed to air?

**Procedure** – The procedure records the step-by-step manner in which the experiment was performed. Careful thought should be given to the identification of variables and the materials used.

**Results** – The results present an organized view of the information collected. Charts, graphs, tables, pictures, and/or drawings should be used to explain the results to others.

**Conclusion** – The conclusion explains the importance of the results. You will tell what you think the data you have gathered means.

### **The Display –**

Your display must be a three-sided display. It will be exhibited standing so it must be able to stand by itself. Please check these suggestions and exact sizes listed previously:

Make your backboard from sturdy light-weight material: Heavy tag board, cardboard, or poster board are good choices for backboard materials. Put the three sections or the backboard together with hinges or strong, wide tape.

The title and other large letters may be cut out of construction paper and attached to the backboard. Stenciled or stick-on letters may also be used. Make sure that your title is easy to see.

Drawings and sketches should always be drawn in pencil first and then re-traced. It is better to draw them on separate pieces of paper, mount them on construction paper, and then attach them to the backboard. Make sure all drawings and pictures are labeled.

Plan to put the experiment in front of the center part of the backboard. You may use the equipment and the samples as part of the display.

### **Food-Science Experiment**

This display offers exhibitors the opportunity to use the "learning by doing" process to discover important scientific facts as well as experience the joy of exploration. It is important that the youth allow ample time to complete the experiment and build the display before the competition. Re-read the descriptions and requirements of the Food Science Display and allow ample time to complete the project.

Scientific approaches – Youth should follow the scientific method in conducting their experiments using inductive reasoning. Inductive reasoning bases the conclusions on the examination of data collected: i.e., the fermentation of dough is affected by the temperature. The inductive approach would take identical pieces of dough and ferment for the same period of time at different temperatures and record the differences in size of the fermented dough before coming to a conclusion.

The scientific method involves four steps:

**The Purpose/Problem** that will be answered through investigation (hypothesis, a statement that will be either proven or challenged).

**Procedure** – a statement of how the investigation is to be carried out. This step requires careful planning and thinking about the investigative plan of attack.

**Results** – information gathered during the investigation is called data. After the data are collected, they need to be tabulated or diagrammed to aid in the analysis and explanation of results.

**Conclusion** – challenge the hypothesis or answer the questions asked.

Setting Up The Display – the purpose of the display is to show the course of the investigation and outcomes. The three-paneled free-standing display is used to highlight your investigation. Block the information in pencil, and when the display is complete, use a felt pen. Include the following information on the panels:

**The purpose/problem** (hypothesis) the investigation is about to answer

**A description of the Procedure** used to carry out the project

**Results and conclusions** (based on data collected)

**Body of the data** or a model of the center panel of the display

### **DIVISION J – Club Demonstrations – Rules and Regulations**

A division has been created for club groups to do a demonstration or illustrated talk. Topic can be the choice of the club, but there must be AT LEAST 5 or more club members participating. Class champions will not be chosen in this division. **A premium of \$25.00** will be given to each club.

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# CARROLL CO. 4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST - 2016

**SUPERINTENDENTS:** Rita Becker (443) 375-1114 Della Leister (410) 374-4635

## CONTEST: SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2016 – 9 A.M. – CARROLL CO. EXTENSION OFFICE

REGISTRATION FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE ONLINE

\*Online Registration Opens: January 1, 2016

\*Online Registration Deadline: 11:59 p.m., February 20, 2016

### RULES AND REGULATIONS –

1. The contest consists of the following categories: Prepared Speech, Extemporaneous Speech, Radio Spot Announcement, 4-H Pledge, Interpretations – Humorous, Poetry & Dramatic.
2. Contestants will participate in appropriate age category: Clovers = ages 5 – 7 years; Juniors = ages 8 – 10 years; Intermediates = ages 11 – 13 years; Seniors = ages 14 – 18 years. Ages are determined as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year in which the contest is held.
3. First-Year Juniors are 4-H members ages 8 – 10 years of age as of January 1 of the current year who have not participated or competed in either a county Demonstration Day or Public Speaking Contest.
4. First-Year Juniors may participate in Division C (Junior) OR Division B (First-Year Junior); BUT NOT BOTH.
5. Time limits: **Judges may deduct points for speeches not meeting or exceeding time limits.**  
**Prepared Speeches** – Clovers = 2 to 4 minutes; Juniors = 3 to 5 minutes; Intermediates and Seniors = 4 to 6 minutes  
**Extemporaneous Speeches** – Juniors and Intermediates = 2 to 3 minutes; Seniors – 3 to 5 minutes  
**Radio Spot Announcements** - 30 seconds for all age groups  
**Dramatic Interpretation, Poetry Interpretation, Humorous Interpretation** – Clovers, Juniors, and Intermediates = 2 to 3 minutes; Seniors = 3 to 5 minutes
6. Visual aids, including posters, are not permitted. Appropriate gestures are encouraged. Dramatic Interpretation contestants may opt to sit for their presentation.

#### Prepared Speech

7. **Prepared Speech** contestants may speak on any topic. It may be wise to discuss topics that could be considered as controversial with your 4-H or Extension Educator before the contest. The speech may be written for a specific audience such as a 4-H club, PTA, or a community-service organization. Note cards containing a key word outline are permitted. Only Juniors and Clovers may use a complete script.
8. Memorization is not encouraged; however, speaking from an outline is encouraged.

#### Extemporaneous Speech

9. **Extemporaneous Speech** contestants will draw three topics on the day of the contest. They will choose one topic to speak on. Juniors and Intermediates may have up to 30 minutes and Seniors may have up to 15 minutes to prepare their talk. Contestants may use one side of up to four or both sides of up to two 4" x 6" note cards to write their key word outline. No speech should be fully written on the cards.

#### Radio Spots

10. **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 contestant **MUST** 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. With the speaker's permission, spots may be considered for promotional purposes.

11. Speakers may speak or interpret in a language of their choice. If using a language other than English, the participant must inform the Extension Office before the event so that judges may be acquired.

#### Interpretations

12. **Dramatic** – the memorized oral interpretation by an individual or a serious selection of narrative or dramatic literature. The speaker shall memorize this oral interpretation. It shall be a serious selection of narrative or dramatic literature. Monologues are acceptable. Mime (use of your body to create an interpretation) is also acceptable. Cuttings may incorporate characters, but monologues are acceptable. Contestants should bring two (2) copies of the script they will be using including reference. Language other than English must be translated.

13. **Poetry** – the memorized oral interpretation by the speaker. Contestants should bring two (2) copies of the script they will be using including reference. Language other than English must be translated.
14. **Humorous** – the memorized oral interpretation of a humorous selection by the speaker. Cuttings may be taken from published plays or prose. Contestants should bring two (2) copies of the script they will be using including reference. Language other than English must be translated.
15. Speakers in the Interpretation Classes (Dramatic, Poetry and Humorous) can speak or interpret in language of their choice. If using a language other than English, the participant must inform the Extension Office before the event so that judges may be acquired.

#### **4-H Pledge**

16. **4-H Pledge class** is a non-competitive recitation of the 4-H Pledge. Participants will be evaluated as described on the score sheet. Judges may ask questions regarding the meaning of the Pledge and its significance to the participant.

#### **Additional General Rules**

17. Judges may ask questions of contestants in the Pledge, Prepared Speech, and Extemporaneous Speech, Dramatic Interpretation, Poetry Interpretation, Humorous Interpretation categories related to the presentation's 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.
18. At the State Contests, 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 in which to compete at the State Contest. Only one Champion from the 3 Interpretive Presentations will go on to compete at the State Contest. Clover and Pledge classes will compete in Carroll County only.
19. The names of two ranked champions and two ranked alternates in each age group of each category will be selected to form a pool for possible representation at the State Contest. The highest ranked individual will represent Carroll County at the State Contest.
20. State Champions may not enter the same category and age group a second time. Previous year's local champion speeches may not be repeated.
21. Coaching during speech by family, friends, or others is not permitted.
22. All participants will be evaluated on the Danish System. Recognition and awards will occur at the conclusion of the contest. Premiums will be

included with the premiums from the Carroll County 4-H/FFA Fair. The following premiums are offered for Junior, Intermediate and Senior participants: Champion Award - \$4; Blue Award - \$3.50; Red Award - \$3; White Award - \$2.50; Clover and 1<sup>st</sup> Year Junior participants will receive \$1.

23. **The Contest will start at 9:00 a.m. There will be no assigned times for speeches. Report to the registration desk in Burns Hall no later than 11:00 a.m. to sign up for your room. You will need to pre-register. Registration forms will be available on the Carroll County Fair website. There will be a link to direct you to the form. You will need to create a different login from the one you used for the fair. Registrations must be received by 11:59 p.m., February 20, 2016.** Food will be available for purchase in Burns Hall. Remember to allow preparation time for your extemporaneous speech (15 minutes for seniors, 30 minutes for juniors and intermediates).

#### **CLASSES – Clover (ages 5 – 7)**

- 101 Prepared Speech
- 102 4-H Pledge
- 105 Dramatic Interpretation
- 106 Poetry Interpretation
- 107 Humorous Interpretation

#### **CLASSES – 1<sup>st</sup> Year Juniors (ages 8 – 10) [No previous participation in County Demonstration or Public Speaking Contests.]**

- 202 4-H Pledge
- 205 Dramatic Interpretation
- 206 Poetry Interpretation
- 207 Humorous Interpretation

#### **CLASSES – Junior (ages 8 – 10)**

- 1001 Prepared Speech
- 1003 Extemporaneous Speech
- 1004 Radio Spot
- 1005 Dramatic Interpretation
- 1006 Poetry Interpretation
- 1007 Humorous Interpretation

#### **CLASSES – Intermediate (ages 11 – 13)**

- 2001 Prepared Speech
- 2003 Extemporaneous Speech
- 2004 Radio Spot
- 2005 Dramatic Interpretation
- 2006 Poetry Interpretation
- 2007 Humorous Interpretation

#### **CLASSES – Senior (ages 14 – 18)**

- 3001 Prepared Speech
- 3003 Extemporaneous Speech
- 3004 Radio Spot
- 3005 Dramatic Interpretation
- 3006 Poetry Interpretation
- 3007 Humorous Interpretation

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From: Ann Dicke, Extension Educator – 4-H, Carroll County  
Re: **REGISTRATION INFORMATION --“BEAT THE MID-WINTER BLAHS”-- Deadline: January 8, 2016**  
**Saturday, January 30, 2016, Carroll County Ag Center, Smith Avenue Extended, Westminster**

- **CLASSES ARE FOR ANY YOUTH** (ages 5 and up). Some classes specify age restrictions and should be adhered to.
- **Volunteers and parents may also attend** any of the workshops; however, youth get priority. Adults will be put on a waiting list and will be added to class roster IF youth do not fill class to capacity. It is recommended that a parent or adult accompany youth under 8 years of age. No registration fee is required if you are accompanying your child.
- Please read over all the class information carefully.
- **A LIST OF CLASSES WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM YOUR CLUB LEADER OR ON LINE BY MID-DECEMBER.**
- **REGISTRATION DEADLINE: January 8, 2016**
  - \*\* Register for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> choices for each time period. If you do not indicate an alternate choice, one will be made for you.
  - \*\* Class confirmations and total fees owed will be mailed following registration deadline.
  - \*\* If you have selected a class requiring a sewing machine, don't forget to indicate if you will or will not be bringing a machine.
- **TIMES: 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.** Registration [Burns Hall] – **All participants must register to pick up their packet and pay any monies due. Checks only – payable to “CCEAC”.**

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Session 1 classes	12:45 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Session 5 classes
10:05 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.	Session 2 classes	1:20 p.m. -- 1:50 p.m.	Session 6 classes
10:40 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.	Session 3 classes	1:55 p.m. – 2:25 p.m.	Session 7 classes
11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Session 4 classes	2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Session 8 classes
11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.	LUNCH	<b>3:10 p.m. Turn in event evaluations</b>	

**Have a safe trip home!**

- **HELP NEEDED** – Parents, adults and older 4-H'ers are needed to help with registrations throughout the day, to assist instructors in some classes with a helping hand and to clean up the facility after the event. Call the Extension Office (410/386-2760) to sign up.
- We offer **classes of different time length** – check the descriptions carefully and complete the registration form accordingly.
- **The Deer Park 4-H Club will provide lunch** which includes a slice of cheese pizza, a bag of chips, & fruit snacks for \$3.00 or you may bring your own lunch if you desire. If you would like to purchase a pizza lunch, you may do so on the registration form. On event day, extra slices of pizza will be available for purchase. **Drinks are provided to all registrants.**
- A **registration fee of \$2** is required for all attendees to cover various fees associated with class registration. **This fee is non-refundable.**
- A **confirmation of classes**, along with fees owed, will be mailed in advance to those registered. If you do not receive a schedule in advance of the event, please call the Extension Office at 410-386-2760 or 1-888-326-9645.
- **REMEMBER TO KEEP** your class descriptions in case you must bring supplies to your classes.

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- **If you need assistance to participate in this program, please contact Ann Dicke (telephone: 410-386-2760; FAX: 410-876-0132; e-mail: [adicke@umd.edu](mailto:adicke@umd.edu)) at least two weeks prior to the program.**
- **UME is collecting information in order to enroll you in the UME sponsored Beat the Mid-Winter Blah's. If you do not provide the requested information, you/your child may not be able to attend nor receive further information. The information you provide may be shared with UME and short-term appointed volunteers or instructors. Information provided to UME may also be shared among offices within the University and within the University System of Maryland and outside entities as necessary or appropriate in the conduct of legitimate University business and consistent with applicable law. Because the University is a State educational institution, such information may also be subject to disclosure under the MD Access to Public Records Act. Individuals may inspect and/or correct their personal information as provided by the “Public Records Act” and/or other applicable law or University policy.**

# "Beat The Mid-Winter Blah's" Registration Form

## January 30, 2016-- Carroll County Ag Center



**Registration deadline: 4:30 p.m., Jan. 8, 2016**

Registration fee of **\$2.00** and this completed form due to: **Blah's, Carroll County 4-H Office**  
Please make checks payable to "CCEAC" **700 Agriculture Center, Westminster, MD 21157**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

- 4-H Member:  Yes  No
- 4-H Parent/Volunteer:  Yes  No
- 4-H Club: \_\_\_\_\_

~ If you are an adult accompanying your child to classes, you do not need to pay the registration fee; however, please indicate in the class selection section which classes you will be attending with your child by circling Y or N.

- **ONLY Registration Fee of \$2.00 due should be sent with this completed form. An invoice will be mailed to you after registration deadline with remaining cost.**
- **Class Choices: (Indicate 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> choices - If you do not indicate an alternate choice, one will be made for you.)**
- **Lunch (Pizza, Chips, & Fruit Snacks) will be available for \$3.00 per person. On event day, extra slices of pizza will be available for purchase. Drinks are provided for all registrants at no charge whether or not you purchase lunch.**
- **Class confirmations, with fees owed, will be mailed following registration deadline.**
- **Registration (Burns Hall) beginning at 8:30 a.m. – All participants must stop at the Registration Desk to pick up their packet which will include class locations, name tag, schedule of classes selected, evaluation form and lunch ticket if applicable. Payment for classes will be collected at the Registration Desk. To save time and to avoid dealing with cash, only checks will be accepted, payable to "CCEAC".**
- **IF YOU HAVE SELECTED A CLASS REQUIRING A SEWING MACHINE, PLEASE INDICATE IF YOU WILL BE BRINGING YOUR SEWING MACHINE.  YES, I will bring a sewing machine  NO, I will not bring a machine.**

	SESSION 1 (9:30-10:00)	SESSION 2 (10:05-10:35)	SESSION 3 (10:40 – 11:10)	SESSION 4 (11:15 – 11:45)	Lunch (11:45 – 12:45) Soda – Free; Pizza, Chips, & Fruit Snacks - \$3.00	SESSION 5 (12:45 - 1:15)	SESSION 6 (1:20 – 1:50)	SESSION 7 (1:55 – 2:25)	SESSION 8 (2:30 – 3:00)
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Choice</b>	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	# of lunches _____	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Choice</b>	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	/	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Choice</b>	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	/	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N	Class No.: Fee: Accompanying Adult Y N

I hereby release the staff and volunteers of University of Maryland Extension and the Carroll County EAC from all liabilities associated with this activity.

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(Signature of Parent/Guardian)

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(Date)