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“This issue of 4-H Talk Contains Important Information about the 2013 & 2014 4-H Project Years”

Cecil County Fair Thank You!!!
We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Fair Board Members, 4-H Volunteers, 4-H Members and parents who helped to make this year’s Cecil County Fair a big success. Thanks to all those that helped with set up, clean up, barn security and 4-H promotion. Without the help and dedication of committed volunteers, it would be difficult to achieve what we do. Look under the results section to see a list the 4-H grand champions. The entire fair results listing should be posted on the fair website by mid-October.

Cecil County Fair Suggestions
If you have any suggestions on helping to improve the 4-H end of the Fair, please drop April an e-mail at adhall@umd.edu. If it is a Fair issue, you can send your suggestions in writing to the Secretary, Debbie Harris at P. O. Box 84 Childs, MD  21916, send her an e-mail at generalinfo@cecilcountyfair.org, leave a message at 410-392-3440, or bring the suggestion up at the open Fair Board meeting, which will be held on November 14th.

Cecil County Fair Premiums
Fair premiums checks have been mailed, if you did not receive your fair premium or have a question about your payment, contact the Secretary, Debbie Harris via e-mail at generalinfo@cecilcountyfair.org or give her a call at 410-392-3440. Debbie is a volunteer for the fair and works full time, so please allow her several days to get back to you with an answer.

Cecil County Fair Livestock Sale Checks
If you have not received your Livestock Sale check it is because April has not received your thank you notes. As a reminder, you must turn in your original, self-addressed, stamped thank you letters to April Hall Barczewski by October 1, 2013, in order to receive your Livestock Sale Checks and to be eligible to sell in 2014. If you need the buyer’s name and/or address, you may contact April at the Extension Office at adhall@umd.edu or 410-996-5280.

Cecil County 4-H Camp Kudos
From August 4 through 9, over 130 youth campers, counselors and adult volunteers attended the Cecil County 4-H Camp at the Rocks in Harford County. Thanks goes to the dedicated camp counselors and adults who helped make this event run smoothly and made it a fun-filled week for the campers. Also, many thanks go to all the campers as we look forward to having you back at camp next year. Training for camp counselors (actual age 15) will probably begin in January.
Maryland State Fair

Cecil County had a large presence at the State Fair with youth participating in the indoor entry building, animal barns, engineering events and at the judging competitions. Many 4-Hers received champion awards. The following youth participated: Drew Anderson, Rhandi Brown, Anna Chidester, Travis Clark, Lydia Collins, Sayali Desai, Seth Donnelley, William Donnelley, Caroline Dorsett, Lexy Droz, Alison Ferver, Andrea Gold, Gavra Goldie, Catherine Guethler, Matt Holbrook, Katy Korns, Sydney Keys, Taylor Knight, Ethan Lacher, Matt Larrimore, Lucas LaMonica, Brynn LaSala, Gavin LaSala, Mary Lawrence, Alec Madron, Hunter Madron, Mikayla Maggitti, Rebekah Maggitti, Erricka Maule, Sarah McDowell, Jennifer McMichael, Tyler McMullen, Sarah Megee, Ben Miller, Kylee Mitchell, Jayci Mitchell, Cate Ness, Olivia Ness, Parker Ness, Anna Reyburn, Jeffery Ricketts, Logan Rutherford, Owen Rutherford, Courtney Schrader, Jared Schrader, Claudia Severson, Katherine Severson, River Shannon, Morgan Shipley, Abby Shortall, Lindsay Smith, James Sprout, Jarod Stowe, Logan Stowe, Taylor Todd, Mackenzie Underwood, Melinda Ward, Rachel Ward, Bethany Wilson and Anthony Yetzer. Congratulations to all the youth that participated.

Virginia 4-H Congress Trip Recipient

Congratulations to Lindsay Smith for earning a trip to Blacksburg, Virginia on June 17-20, 2013 as one of two youth that represented Cecil County and Maryland 4-H as a delegate to Virginia 4-H Congress.

National 4-H Congress Trip Recipient

Kudos to Alec Madron for earning a trip to Atlanta, Georgia on November 29 – December 3, 2013 where he will represent Cecil County as a delegate to National 4-H Congress. Alec will be traveling with fellow 4-H teens from across Maryland. 4-H youth from across the United States and Puerto Rico attend National 4-H Congress.

National Engineering Challenge Participation

Congratulations to Matthew Larrimore who will be traveling with the Maryland 4-H Engineering Group to compete in the National 4-H Engineering Challenge in West Lafayette, Indiana from September 29-October 1, 2013. Matt will be competing in the farm tractor discipline. Congratulations and Good Luck at Nationals!

National Horticulture Judging Team Participation

Congratulations to Logan Rutherford and Anthony Yetzer who will be traveling to Williamsburg, Virginia to participate as a member of the Maryland 4-H Horticulture Judging team at the National Junior Horticulture Association Convention from October 11-14, 2013. Congratulations and Good Luck at Nationals!

Cecil County 4-H Reenrollments

Reenrollment time for 2014 project year has arrived! Reenrollments will take place at your club’s October or November meeting. Parents are encouraged to attend to help make the process easier. Remember, you must be enrolled in the 4-H project area that specifically relates to the project that you are entering at the county and state fairs. In order to get project information and keep up with all the 4-H news and events, be sure to turn in your 2014 4-H reenrollment/enrollment form by January 3, 2014! If you would like to know when your reenrollment is club reenrollment is scheduled, contact your club leader.

Cecil County 4-H Record Books

Completing a record book is not something most 4-Hers think of as fun, but it can be one of the most important things you do in 4-H. Learning to keep good records of the work you do is something that will help you in school and may lead to a successful career, plus more. Record Books will be due to the Extension Office by January 24, 2013 by 7:00 p.m. Your 4-H record book must be signed by your leader prior to submission of your record book to the county level. So please make those arrangements well ahead of the due date. Any book submitted without a leader’s signature will not be accepted. Record books can be either typed or hand written. Forms are available online at our website, http://cecil.umd.edu under the 4-H Youth Development Link or in paper form from the Extension Office. A record book workshop will be offered on Monday, November 1st from 6:30-8:30 PM in the Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton. Another record book workshop will be offered on Thursday, January 2nd.
Maryland 4-H Teen Council Looking for Representatives

We are currently accepting applications for Cecil County representatives on the Maryland 4-H Teen Council. The Council is a remarkable group of teens leaders 4-H age 14 to 18. Organized at the state level, the council provides a venue for highly motivated teens to meet and interact with others like themselves from all across Maryland. Each county unit may designate two official members of the Teen Council. Each fall, before the Maryland 4-H Volunteer Forum, we reinstate or elect new representatives from each 4-H Unit to serve on the State 4-H Teen Council. Youth may serve two terms. A term is one year in length. During their term, youth will be given several opportunities to travel, take on leadership roles, and participate in state level events. If you are interested in serving as a Cecil County representative on the State 4-H Teen Council or would like additional information please contact April in the Extension office by October 1st.

National 4-H Conference Opportunity for Teens

National 4-H Congress is a once in a lifetime experience, where youth from all across the nation get together to address the needs and issues of youth, listen to motivational speakers and socialize with fellow 4-Hers. The trip will take place April 5-10, 2013 in Washington, DC. Applicants must be enrolled in 4-H and not older than 4-H age 18 the year the trips take place. Youth interested in applying must do a 4-H resume, essay, fill out an appropriate selection process application, and receive an interview. Completed applications for National 4-H Conference are due to the Cecil County Extension Office by October 4, 2013 and the interviews will take place in November/December or November 24th in Ocean City. The essay topic for 4-H Conference is “How do the life development skills you have learned through 4-H help you serve as a mentor to others?”

Maryland 4-H In Action Newspaper Updates!

Did you know the Maryland 4-H Foundation is working with the Delmarva Farmer to publish a Maryland 4-H Newspaper?? They need lots of articles and advertisements to make our paper a success! There will be a Conference Call for all interested: September 22, 2013 at 3:30pm 1-866-295-5950 passcode 68099# and articles will be due on September 27. The newspaper layout will be on September 29 @ 2pm at the American Farm Publications office in Easton—email for directions and on October 8 the newspaper will be published.

Here is what they are looking for:

1. Stories
   a. News Story –this is an article about an event/happening/experience/person written in the 3rd point of view. About 500 words. Example: a reporter asking interviewing the state 4-H communications winner and then writing the story about the contest and the winner.
   b. Editorial- the newspaper’s opinion on a topic or issue, supported with facts. Example: 4-H members opinion on the power of 4-H on youth
   c. Column-a story told from the first person point of view. Example: My experience traveling to National 4-H Congress
   d. Briefs- short article announcing event or workshop or small news. Covers the basic who, what, when, where, why. 100-200 words. Example: New Club formed in Prince Georges County
   e. Feature Photo- picture with longer caption. Caption has 3-5 sentences explaining picture and giving context. Example: Picture of Grand Champion Market Lamb at County Fair where caption gives more than just 4-H member’s name.

2. Advertisements
   a. Please purchase an ad or share with 4-H alumni, family and friends!

For questions contact Amanda Clougherty- akbrown@umd.edu or Sean Clougherty- sean@americanfarm.com.

Upcoming Activities, Events and Meetings

Cecil County 4-H Horse Bowl/Hippology and Horse Judging Practices

Practices for Horse Bowl/Hippology and Horse Judging Practices are just getting underway.

Horse Judging practices will be the first Wednesday of each month (until it gets closer to competition time, of course) at the home of Drue Chichi/River Shannon (Brickman House, 1014 New London Rd, Newark, DE -just across the Cecil County line on Route 896, just a few minutes east of Fair Hill and south of Landenberg). Please call, email or text Drue to let her know you are coming. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call, text or email Drue Chichi at 302-588-0197/brickmanhouse@gmail.com. Horse Bowl/Hippology practices will be the 3rd Wednesday of each month at Tina Clarks (Windmill Farm 194 Nottingham Rd, Elkton, MD) from 6:00-8:00 PM. Please contact Tina Clark at 443-309-2782 or Elaine Keys at 856-332-3380 if you have any questions.
Cecil County 4-H Livestock Planning Meeting
On Thursday, September 19, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cecil County Extension Office in Elkton, we will be discussing livestock (beef, dairy, goats, pet, poultry, rabbit, sheep & swine) issues, planning for the 2014 project year, and discussing livestock opportunities. We will be discussing Quiz Bowl, Judging, Livestock Workshops and Animal Science Rules. Anyone (youth and adults) who is interested in the livestock project area is invited to attend.

Maryland 4-H Horsemen’s Party
The Annual Maryland 4-H Horsemen’s Party to benefit the Sallie Robertson 4-H Memorial Endowment Fund (which benefits the Maryland 4-H Out-of-State Horse Trips to the Eastern National Roundup and State 4-H Equine Educational programs) will be held on Sunday, October 6, 2013 from 2:00pm -5:00pm at Ten Oaks Ballroom in Clarksville, MD. This year’s event will feature great food and a live and silent auction. Tickets are on sale now and are $30 for adults and $20 for youth under 13. There will be food, raffles, silent and live auctions, and awards. The proceeds from this event benefit the Sallie Robertson Memorial 4-H Endowment Fund. Recipients of the Maryland 4-H Foundation’s Youth Development Award, Maryland 4-H Horse Program Volunteer of the Year Award will also be recognized, and 4-H members who have completed Level 3 and higher of the Horsemanship Standards Program will be recognized.. Receive a ticket order form at http://www.4hhorse.umd.edu/activities/HorsemensParty.html. For more information please contact Amanda Clougherty at akbrown@umd.edu or 301-314-7835.

National 4-H Week Activities
National 4-H Week is October 6-12, 2013. Show that you are proud to be a 4-H member during National 4-H Week. This year we encourage 4-H clubs/youth to prepare displays and/or posters to exhibit in schools, libraries, or businesses during National 4-H Week. This is a great way to use your club’s banner. Friday, October 11, 2013 has been designated as Cecil County 4-H Spirit Day, when youth and volunteers are encouraged to wear their 4-H t-shirts. This is a great way to show your 4-H spirit by telling others what you do in 4-H and encouraging others to join. Promotional materials and 4-H information are available in the Cecil County Extension Office.

Columbia and Ecuador Youth Ambassador Program Opportunity
Delaware 4-H and Cecil County 4-H are hosting a group of teens from Colombia and Ecuador. They will arrive in Newark on October 9 and depart on October 27, after a three-day stay in Washington, D.C. 4-H is looking for a few host families from the area that stretches from Rising Sun to Newark to Galena. These teens are part of the State Department’s Youth Ambassadors Program. They were hand selected by the U.S. Embassy staff in Bogota and Quito in a nationwide competition and are among the best and brightest their countries have to offer. Most teens are from rural areas and have never travelled before, so this trip will be an incredible adventure for them. During their stay, they will be participating in daily programming in leadership on the UD campus and surrounding areas every day with 4-H staff. In addition, they will have overnight trips to Camp Barnes in Frankford, Delaware and New York City! One day will be devoted to attending a local school. Participants would be in your home about 14 nights. This is an especially great opportunity for families with teens. If your family has Spanish speakers, that would be a bonus as these teens were not selected for their English language skills. This will be a life-changing experience for these youth and it could be a life-changing experience for your family, also. Give your family a global experience, at no cost! Please contact 4-H soon if you are interested. Contact Mark Manno at mmanno@udel.edu or Joyce Witte at witte@udel.edu or 302-831-2509 for more information. You don’t have to be affiliated with either Delaware or Maryland 4-H to participate.

National Youth Science Day
Join us on October 8th for the sixth annual 4-H National Youth Science Day, where youth across the nation learn about GIS mapping. In this year's experiment, 4-H Maps & Apps, young people will become geospatial thinkers as they design and map their ideal park, use GIS mapping to solve community problems and contribute data about their community to the United States Geological Survey (USGS). Please join us on Tuesday, October 8th at 6:30 PM in the Cecil County Extension Office to conduct the experiment. Contact the Extension Office by Monday, October 7th if you plan to participate.

4-H Youth Leadership Retreat
All Cecil County and Delaware 4-Her's, ages 13+ are invited to attend the 4-H Youth Leadership Retreat at Camp Barnes during Columbus Day Weekend, October 12-14, 2013. This event will be held in conjunction with the 4-H Exchange Program in NCC with Colombia and Ecuador. The weekend will feature teen programming similar to that of a Junior Leader Weekend, while emerging the youth in an atmosphere of cultural diversity. Round-trip transportation will be provided from Kent and NCC Extension Offices. While most kids have off on Monday for Columbus Day, youth are able
to leave on Sunday if necessary. Registration cost is $50 and forms are due to the NCC Extension Office by October 1! The flyer is available online at under the upcoming programs tab. If you have any questions regarding this event, please feel free to contact Mallory or Katie at 302-831-8965.

**Hogfest 2013-All You Can Eat Pork BBQ**

Gavinell Meat Company, Inc. is sponsoring Hogfest 2013, an All You Can Eat Pork BBQ to be held on October 12, 2013 from 1-5 pm. All the proceeds will benefit Cecil County Fair and Cecil County 4-H Program. Clubs that are interested in helping should contact April in the Extension Office. See attached flyer for more details. Come out and support the Cecil County Fair and Cecil County 4-H program. The All You Can Eat includes pork, sides and a beverage. The cost is $12 for adults and $8 for children 6-12 and children under 6 are free. You can also get sandwiches for $5 each. The flyer is available online at under the upcoming programs tab.

**Delaware Livestock Exposition**

The 2013 Delaware Livestock Exposition will be held on October 12-13 at the Delaware State Fairgrounds in Harrington, DE. There are top notch judges booked again for this year and thanks to our gracious supporters, the show is still able to offer generous premiums. The exhibitors’ handbook and entries forms are available online at http://delawarelivestockexpo.com/.

**The Inaugural Goblin Gallop**

The Cecil County 4-H Horse Program is sponsoring a Halloween-Themed Paper Chase on Sunday, October 13, 2013, beginning from Lot 1 at Fair Hill. There will be Slowpokes and Daredevils, a Costume Contest, great food, great photographer, great prizes, great fun . . . basically, GREAT EVERYTHING! The cost is $25 for 4-H members and volunteers and $30 for all other riders. The group is hoping to make this a yearly large-scale fundraising event for the Horse Program, and make it an annual event that riders, family, friends and the community look forward to every year! The registration form is available online at under the upcoming programs tab. For more information, please visit us at www.cecilhorse.com, or email cecilhorse@yahoogroups.com

**4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Program (WHEP) Weekend!**

4-H WHEP is a national program that focuses on combining knowledge of wildlife, ecological concepts, and management practices to solve real-life problems. There is a National WHEP Contest held every summer. If you are an intermediate or senior 4-H member, or a UME volunteer with an interest in Wildlife and the outdoors and are interested in participating or assisting with the Maryland State WHEP Contest in 2014, you are strongly encouraged to participate in the WHEP weekend on October 18-20, 2013 at Camp Misty Mount, Catoctin Mountain Park, Thurmont, MD. The cost to participate is $50 and is due by September 27th. The purpose of the Weekend is to introduce people to the program through hands-on experience working with a habitat restoration project and learning about on-site wildlife management. The registration materials are available online at: http://extensionumd.edu/news/4-h-wildlife-habitat-education-program-whep-weekend#sthash.XuOqulF5.dpuf

**Apple Fest**

Apple Fest will be held on Saturday, October 26, 2013 at the Calvert Grange Hall in Calvert. Entries will be accepted from 9:00 to 10:00 AM. The judging and program will begin at 10 AM. The main ingredients in the recipe must be apples. See the attached flyer for registration and class information. Entries are due by Monday, October 21st in the Cecil County Extension Office.

**Open Fair Board Meeting/Fair Board Opportunities**

The open Fair Board meeting is scheduled on November 14th at 7 PM in the Elk Room of the County Administrative Building. This is the meeting to attend if you are interested in serving on the Cecil County Fair Board or have information or changes to propose to the Fair Board. The Fair Board also has positions for 4-H youth who are interested in serving on the Cecil County Fair Board. The application is attached to this issue of 4-H Talk.

**2013 Maryland 4-H Volunteer Forum**

Come join us for this year’s Maryland 4-H Volunteer Forum: Strengthening Leadership in Adults & Teens in Ocean City on November 22-24, 2013. It is a wonderful time of the year to visit the resort area. With the slower pace, traffic and parking problems are almost non-existent. Air temperatures are usually comfortable this time of year allowing you to enjoy the beauty of the area. The event provides time to meet other 4-H families and learn more about all the wonders of the 4-H program. It is an excellent opportunity for teen and adult volunteers to learn the knowledge and skills necessary
to be successful leaders in their local 4-H programs. There are classes offered in environmental sciences, camping, animal sciences, leadership, volunteer development, human sciences, SET, and many other exciting topic areas.

The Carousel Resort Hotel is our host for the weekend. This Ocean City landmark is known for its indoor ice rink, indoor and outdoor swimming pools, and family friendly accommodations. The Forum has saved a block of rooms for early bird registrants at an excellent rate of just $68/room per night (plus taxes). Most rooms have two double beds and feature a microwave and mini-refrigerator. Call the Carousel directly at 1-800-641-0011 to reserve your room by October 10, 2013 and be sure to mention the MD 4-H Forum for the special rate. Ocean front rooms and condos are also available for slightly more. A family weekend in OC doesn’t get any more affordable!

The registration materials are available online at http://extension.umd.edu/4-h. Register by October 10th to receive the “early bird” conference rate of $75.00. The registration fee is $100.00 for registrations postmarked after October 10th. Registrations must be accompanied by a check and will only be accepted until October 31st; don’t delay, register today!

Address any questions to Forum Coordinators, Dr. Lisa Dennis at ldennis@umd.edu, 410-603-0000 or Cheryl Hill at chill1@umd.edu, 888-326-9645.

Attention All Small Engines Project Members
Mr. Jim Zambuto has movers to be fixed for the Cecil County 4-H Benefit Auction. If any of the small engine group 4-Hers are interested in working on them, please contact Mr. Jim at 410-378-9355. He is available any Saturday to work on them.

Holiday Craft Workshop
The 4-H Junior Council is planning an exciting Holiday Workshop on Saturday, December 7, 2013 from 9:30 A.M. until noon at the Walls Activity Hall in Fair Hill. There is also a class offered for adults. The cost for youth is $5 per person and for adults is $10 per person by November 29th and $7.00 for youth and $12 for adults after that date and at the door. The registration form is available online at under the upcoming programs tab. This is a great workshop for having fun with 4-H friends from other clubs and to make holiday crafts at an affordable price.

Friends of Cecil County 4-H Benefit Auction
Mark your calendar for Saturday, December 7th! We will be holding another benefit to help the Cecil County 4-H Program. There are several events scheduled that day at the Walls Activity Hall at the Fair Hill Natural Resources Management Area (fairgrounds). Following the Holiday Crafts Workshop, the Friends of 4-H Fundraiser will be held beginning with a roast beef dinner. The Junior Council will be serving dinner from 5:00 until 6:30 P.M. to benefit the Cecil County 4-H program. Beginning at 7:00 P.M. there will be a Silent and Live Auction to raise money for our clubs and county 4-H programs.

Club donations are due by Monday, November 25th. Clubs can contribute to the auction by getting items donated or creating a gift basket. One half of whatever your items earn at the auction will go to your club and the other half will go to fund county 4-H programs like Achievement Night. Any questions may be answered by contacting April or Vicki at the Extension Office. Please support your local 4-H program!

The planned menu is: Hot Roast Beef with Gravy, Choice of 2 sides, Roll w/Butter, Choice of Dessert, and Beverage. The cost for the dinner will be: Adults - $10.00; Youth (ages 12 and under) $5.00. Dinner tickets are available from Cecil County 4-H Junior Council Members and from the Cecil County Extension Office. Dinner tickets are only available in advance and will not be available for sale at the door. To make this event successful, everyone needs to help. If every club and the All Stars can get items donated for the auction, we will have a great turnout! If clubs contribute to the auction, one-half of whatever your items earn at the auction will go to your club and the other half will go to fund county 4-H programs like Achievement Night. Come out and support your local 4-H program!

Club Activities and Highlights

Archery Practices and State Contest
Archery practices will be held every Thursday evening starting at 6:30 PM at the Sanford-Crane Garage, south of Elkton until the State Contest. The State Contest is scheduled for Saturday, October 8, 2011 at Camp Thendara in Hurlock. Youth who participate are eligible to stay overnight the evening before at the camp facility for a reasonable price and participate in the learning session the day before. Contact the Extension Office or Mr. Sanford-Crane at 410-398-5904 for additional information.
Shotgun Practices and State Contest
Below are the upcoming dates for 4-H shotgun practices at the Oxford Gun Club. Please pay close attention to the days because the schedule jumps around a little.

- Trap - Thursday, Sept 19, 6:00
- Skeet - Sunday, Sept 22, 6:00
- 5 Stand - Tuesday, Sept 24, 6:00
- 5 Stand - Tuesday, Oct 8, 6:00
- Skeet - Sunday, Oct 13, 6:00
- 5 Stand - Tuesday, Oct 15
- Trap - Thursday, Oct 17
- Skeet - Sunday, Oct 20
- Gun Cleaning - Wednesday, Oct 23

Contact Lesley Damron for additional information. The State Contest will be held on Saturday, October 26th at the Prince George's County Trap & Skeet Center, Glenn Dale.

Cecil Sliders 4-H Outreach Night at Hurricane Grill
Cecil Sliders 4-H Club is coordinating a 4-H outreach night at Hurricane Grill on Tuesday, September 24, 2013 starting at 5:00 PM. They invite all 4-Hers and clubs to come out and promote 4-H. On that evening kids eat free. Contact Virginia Ferver for more information.

Haunted Corn Maze at Kilby Cream
Cecil County 4-H Camp is hosting a haunted corn maze at Kilby Cream Corn Maze on October, 25-26, 2013 from 6-9 PM, Rising Sun. This fundraiser will help to offset the cost of camp.

University of Maryland Extension 4-H Volunteer Trainings
Are you interested in becoming a University of Maryland Extension Volunteer or do you know anyone that might be interested? Don’t wait because now is the time April and/or Vicki will be conducting three UME Volunteer trainings this Fall. They are:

- Tuesday, September 25, 2013 in the Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton from 6:30-8:30 PM
- Thursday, October 22, 2013 in the Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton from 6:30-8:30 PM
- Monday, November 7, 2013 in the Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton from 6:30-8:30 PM
- Tuesday, January 7, 2013 in the Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton from 6:30-8:30 PM

If you are interested in becoming a 4-H Volunteer please register online at the Extension Office at 410-996-5280 to confirm your attendance.

4-H Leaders and Volunteers Meetings
The next Cecil County 4-H Leaders and Volunteers meeting will be on Monday, September 30, 2013 at 7 PM in the Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton. Another 4-H Leaders and Volunteers meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 25, 2013 at 7 PM in the Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton

4-H Leaders Reminder
Club Financial Books
Don't forget to close out treasurer's books, ending June 30, 2013. This treasurer's book will only report half of the year, January 1, 2013 through June 30, 2013. Clubs will then transition the 4-H Fiscal Year to be July 1, 2013-June 30, 2014. Please submit your book to the Cecil County Extension Office by October 15, 2013 and complete the online 990-N e-postcard by November 15, 2013. Thank you for so diligently working through this transition year.

Educational Videos, Learning Kits, and Materials Available For Loan
The Cecil County 4-H Office has some educational videos, learning kits, curriculum, and equipment which club leaders can borrow from our office on a variety of topics. If you are interested in borrowing videos, learning kits, curriculum or equipment stop by the Extension office.
Fall is a busy time, but we hope you will mark your calendars and make time to attend the University of Maryland, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources (AGNR) Open House. The 2013 event will be held on Saturday, October 5, from 10:00 am. to 3:00 p.m., at the Central Maryland Research and Education Center, Clarksville Facility at 4240 Folly Quarter Road, Ellicott City, in Howard County, Maryland. It's Free and open to the public. We're closer than you think! AGNR has top notch academic programs in addition to research and Extension components. Come to our Open House at the farm and learn how our Academic, Research, and Extension programs benefit you. See the horses, cows, calves, and turtles . . . participate in birdwatching . . . see the beautiful butterflies . . . watch chicks hatch out of their eggs . . . check out the backyard poultry . . . take a hay wagon farm tour . . . visit the educational and interactive displays and exhibits on everything from nutrition to rural enterprise development . . . participate in the numerous hands-on activities . . . purchase some food from one of the student organization food tents . . . talk with an AGNR representative . . . and get your plant questions answered by a Master Gardener! Through the passport and scavenger hunt, young and school age children get to learn in a fun way. Those with completed passports and scavenger hunts get to choose from some cool prizes! There is something for everyone to see and do at the AGNR Open House! We will see you at the farm - rain or shine!

Support the Tractor Supply Paper Clover program from October 9th-20th at the Tractor Supply Store here in Elkton as part of the proceeds benefit the Cecil County 4-H Program.

REMINDER: Now that County Fair and the Maryland State Fair are over, 4-Hers are encouraged to work on Record Books now to avoid last minute delays and mishaps.
4-H Calendar of Events

September 2013
19  Cecil 4-H Livestock Meeting, 7 pm, Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton
23  Stars and Stripes 4-H Club Bike/Walk A Thon, 6:30 PM
24  Cecil Sliders 4-H Out Reach Kids Night at Hurricane Grill
25  University of Maryland Extension Volunteer Training, Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton, 6:30 PM
30  Cecil County 4-H Teens, Leaders and Volunteers Meeting, Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton, 7 PM
1st Wednesday, Horse Judging Practices, 6-8 PM, Brickman House, Newark
3rd Wednesday, Horse Bowl & Hippology Practices, 6-8 PM, Windmill Farm, Elkton

October 2013
4   DEADLINE: 4-H Senior Essay & Resume due to Cecil County Extension Office for National 4-H Conference consideration
5   AGNR Open House, Central Maryland Research and Education Center, Clarksville, 10 AM-3 PM
6   Maryland 4-H Horsemen’s Party, Ten Oakes Ballroom, Clarksville, 2-5 PM
6-12 National 4-H Week
6-27 Ecuador/Columbia Youth Leadership Program
8   National Youth Science Day Apps and Maps Challenge, 6:30 PM, Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton
12  State 4-H Archery Match, Camp Thendara, Hurlock
12  State 4-H Dog Bowl Contest, Charles County
12  Hogfest Fundraiser, Galvinell, Conowingo, 1-5 PM (Proceeds Benefit Cecil County Fair and Cecil County 4-H Program)
12  Calvert Fall Fest, Calvert Elementary School
12-13 Delaware Livestock Expo, Harrington
12-14 4-H Youth Leadership Retreat, Camp Barnes
13  Cecil 4-H Horse Program Goblin Gallop, Fair Hill
15  DEADLINE: Club Financial Report for January 1-January 30, 2013 and 4-H Property Inventory Due to Cecil County Extension Office
16-20 Dansko Fair Hill International CCI & Festival in the Country, Fair Hill
18-20 State 4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Program (WHEP) Weekend, Camp Misty Mount, Thurmont
19  Calvert Boys and Girls Chicken BBQ Fundraiser
22  University of Maryland Extension Volunteer Training, Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton, 6:30 PM
25-26 Haunted Corn Maze at Kilby Cream Corn Maze, 6-9 PM, Rising Sun (Cecil County 4-H Camp Fundraiser)
26  State 4-H Shotgun Match, PG Trap & Skeet, Glenn Dale
26  Applefest, 10 AM, Calvert Grange, Calvert (Entries received between 9-10 AM)
31  DEADLINE: Junior Fair Board Application (Due to Mark Barczewski)
1st Wednesday, Horse Judging Practices, 6-8 PM, Brickman House, Newark
3rd Wednesday, Horse Bowl & Hippology Practices, 6-8 PM, Windmill Farm, Elkton

November 2013
1   Calvert Boys and Girls Quarter Auction, Rising Sun American Legion
2   Cecil County 4-H Horse Program Dressage Clinic, Port Deposit
3   State 4-H Dressage Show, Carroll County Ag Center, Westminster
7   University of Maryland Extension Volunteer Training, Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton, 6:30 PM
14  Cecil County Fair Open Fair Board Meeting, Cecil Co. Commissioners Office, Elkton, 7 pm
15  DEADLINE: 4-H Club 990-N E-postcard submission
22-24 State 4-H Adult & Teen Forum, Carousel Hotel, Ocean City
25  Cecil County 4-H Leaders & Volunteer Meeting, Extension Office, Elkton, 7 PM
25  DEADLINE: Cecil County 4-H Benefit Auction Items
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December 2013
7   Breakfast with Santa, Walls Activity Hall, Fair Hill
7   Holiday Craft Workshop, Walls Activity Hall, Fair Hill
7   Roast Beef Dinner, Walls Activity Hall, Fair Hill, 5:30-6:30 PM
7   Countywide 4-H Benefit Auction, Fair Hill, Live auction begins at 7 PM
10  Wreath Making, 10 AM, Elkton Library, Elkton (Contact Library to Register)
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### January 2014

2  Cecil County 4-H Record Book Workshop, 6:30-8:30 PM, Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton
3  DEADLINE: Senior 4-H Essay & Resume due to Cecil County Extension Office for National 4-H Congress, West Virginia Older Members Conference, Camp Miniwanca, & Virginia 4-H Congress consideration
3  DEADLINE: Members & Volunteer reenrollment forms due so not to be dropped off the e-mail/mailing list
3  DEADLINE:  2014 4-H Club Plans to be turned into the Extension Office or E-mailed to April
4  Tagging & Weigh In & Ownership Deadline for Market Ready Beef & Dairy Steers
6  DEADLINE: Winterfest Class Ideas & Instructor Sheets
7  University of Maryland Extension Volunteer Training, Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton, 6:30 PM
13  Dairy Bowl Practices Begin, Elkton, 7 PM
16  Cecil County Breeders Fair Planning Meeting, 7 PM, Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton
19  State 4-H Awards Gala, Ten Oakes Ballroom, Clarksville, 4-7 PM
19-21 Horse World Expo – 4-H Horse Art Contest, Maryland State Fairgrounds, Timonium
24  DEADLINE: All Cecil County 4-H Record Books
28  Hands-On Animal Science Class, Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton
31  DEADLINE: Completed 2013 Diamond Clover and Service Learning Forms
31  DEADLINE: Completed 2013 Club Forms

***For more information about any event, call, email or stop by the University of Maryland Extension Cecil County 4-H Office.

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4-H Club Meeting Dates

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Cecil County Fair 4-H Grand Champion Results
Hogfest Flyer
Goblin Gallop Flyer
4-H Youth Leadership Retreat
Apple Fest Flyer & Registration
Cecil County Junior Fair Board Application