JULY
31 DEADLINE FOR QUALITY ASSURANCE!!
31 DEADLINE: MD STATE FAIR 4-H ENTRIES DUE – ONLINE ONLY
AUGUST
3 Enter Indoor Non-Perishables 5-8 p.m.
4 Enter Indoor Non-Perishables 10-2 p.m.
4 Enter ALL club exhibits by 2 p.m.
5 Enter Indoor 12-4 p.m.
6-11 QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY FAIR
23-Sept 3 MARYLAND STATE FAIR
SEPTEMBER
8 State 4-H Rifle Match
12 Leaders Meeting
30 State 4-H Dressage Show

70th ANNIVERSARY OF QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY FAIR

This year is the 70th anniversary of our fair. We are holding celebrations during the Fair to commemorate this special year. They will begin at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, August 7th. Please make every effort to have your club participate! All exhibitors will receive a SPECIAL 70th Year Ribbon.

PEDAL TRACTOR AUCTION...to commemorate our 70th Anniversary and to support our 4-H & Youth activities at the County Fair, Mr. Buddy Trice is donating a White M International Demonstrator pedal tractor painted with the 70th Anniversary of Queen Anne’s County Fair Logo. The tractor will be auctioned off at the beginning of our Livestock Sale at 6 p.m. on Friday, August 10th.

CONGRATULATIONS AND GREAT JOB TO MELYN RHODES OF THE POND TOWN-2 4-H CLUB. MELYN WAS THE GRAND CHAMPION WINNER IN THIS YEAR'S POSTER CONTEST!! See complete article in the newsletter.
2012 POSTER CONTEST

CONGRATULATIONS to the sixteen (16) artistic 4-H’ers who participated in the annual Poster Contest!! In the Clover category: April Lee received a participation. In the Junior Category: Melyn Rhodes, placed 1st and Grand Champion; Julia Smith, placed 2nd; Jordan Dozier, placed 3rd; Harlie Englebach, placed 4th. James Sprenger and Chyanne Edwards received participation. In the Intermediate Category: Ginny Faust, placed 1st; Aryn Cannon placed 2nd; TiNya Dozier placed 3rd; Page Bailey, placed 4th; and Michael Lee received participation. In the Senior Category: Brooke Kinney placed 1st; Mekenna and Nash Richardson tied for 2nd place; and Takia Dozier placed 4th. GREAT JOB EVERYONE!!!

QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY FAIR NEWS AND UPDATES

FARM BUREAU PRINCESS CONTEST

On Wednesday, July 10th the Annual Farm Bureau Picnic was held at the 4-H Park. 4-H was represented well with Annie Seward, Julia King and Anna Sissom as contestants in the Farm Bureau Princess Contest. This year’s Princess was Lydia Eichler. Also Hannah Branham was crowned Little Miss Farm Bureau Princess. Last year’s Princess was Sarah Brahman, Congratulations!!

Also, Farm Bureau awarded two $1,000 scholarships: John W. Draper, III (Jack) and Stacy Moore. Young Farmers awarded one $500.00 scholarship to Kelly Moore. CONGRATS!

4-H FAIR OPENING CEREMONY – ATTENTION LEADERS!

Each club should choose two (2) Ambassadors from their membership to carry their large banner in the Opening Ceremony Parade. They need to report to the Horse Ring Announcers Stand with the club banner and a pole to carry it on. Someone will be present to greet them and line everyone up to march. Please report at 6:30pm. If you have any questions contact 4-H All Star Jennifer Martin at 410-758-0472.

Baking: Attach the recipe (preferably in a zip lock bag). Use only disposable plates. Cover baked goods (other than cakes) by placing them in zip lock bags. Cakes must be in disposable, clear cake containers. These will be available at the fair and also at the Extension office. The cake containers will cost $2.00 each. NO Plastic Wrap on any baked item!!!

All blue ribbon cakes will be auctioned off at the All Stars Cake Auction on Monday evening. Members are limited to 2 cakes in the auction. The All Stars donate 25% of the proceeds back to the 4-H member with 75% going to the 4-H All Star Scholarship Fund.
Please designate whether you wish to retrieve the remainder of your cake or pie after judging. All baked goods, other than 1st place cakes, will be donated to the Food Link on Monday morning. If you tag your cake to be retrieved, you may do so on Monday. They will be located in the kitchen and must be picked up by 9:00 p.m.

Just a REMINDER the Fashion Revue Show will be held WEDNESDAY night at 7 pm, NOT Monday after the cake auction.

The Indoor Department is looking for Senior members to help judges on Sunday evening, 7pm until 9 or 10pm. and on Monday morning 9am until 12ish. Notify Ms. Sally if you would like to help. Helpers are needed for intake on Sunday from 11:30am until 4pm. Organizers are needed on Sunday from 4pm until 7pm. and Monday from 12 until 4pm.

**CLUB ASSIGNMENTS FOR INDOOR BUILDING WATCH**

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We need clubs to provide adults or responsible older 4-H’ers to stay in the Indoor Building. Duties are to watch out for theft, people touching and handling exhibits, answer questions about 4-H and the Fair and to promote 4-H. Encourage youth to join 4-H. If they are interested in the exhibits, ask if they are 4-H’ers and if not, tell them they can join a local club and have their things exhibit next year. Be a 4-H ambassador for us. Club information will be available to hand out.

**COUNTY FAIR LIVESTOCK SALE**

Members do not forget that it is your responsibility to solicit buyers for the 2012 Queen Anne’s County Fair Livestock Sale. Do not assume that someone will just show up and want to buy your animal. Attached is a handout that you can use to educate buyers and encourage them to attend the sale. It is also your responsibility to make sure that your animal is cared for until they reach the destination requested by the buyer. This means that you may have to come back to the fair and clean your pen on Monday or Tuesday after the fair.
QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY FAIR OVERNIGHT PASSES

Just a reminder that if youth are staying in the barns overnight with their project animals, they MUST have a MCE chaperone and MUST complete the overnight pass paperwork and have it on file in the fair office prior to spending the night. The form must be signed by parent and chaperone. Forms are available in the 4-H office or the fair office. This policy does NOT pertain to youth staying in campers. Those youth are the responsibility of the adult signing the camper contract with the Park Board.

2012 4-H BOOTH THEME

The theme for the 4-H Club Booth this year is: “Go Wild with 4-H”.

POTATO PROJECT

If you participated in the Potato project this year, please bring your potatoes to the 4-H Office as soon as possible. We will weigh and bag them in 5 pound bags. If they are here in time, we will sell them at the fair. If not, they will be sold at Mason’s Farm Produce Stand as they were last year. Half the money goes to the grower and half goes to 4-H.

LOADS OF FUN AT 4-H CAMP!!

Camp was held June 25-28. We had great weather and great times!

Campers enjoyed many crafts including Tie dye t-shirts, stepping stones, friendship bracelets and much more. They learned about different animals, including a very large and friendly bunny (thank you for bringing him, Kiersten), birds and some lovely llamas (thanks, Llama Club). We dabbled in engineering with “Lunar Landers” and we did some community service by painting some of the pens in the hog barn. Bicycle riding and a game of “capture the flag” filled in some “free” time. The water slide on Thursday was thoroughly enjoyed by all!

A big thank you goes out to our guest presenters: Barbara Barga-games, songs & t-shirts; Sharon Pahlman-household chemicals & art; Theresa Connelly & Patrick Lee-all the Clover activities and more on Tuesday; Jim Wilson (rubber duck man!)-birding; Dale; The ART Studio; Joanne Whalen-“Bug Lady”; members of the Llama 4-H Club and The Museum of Eastern Shore Life.

Thank you to Rich Graves for lunch money donation, Paul Gunther for donating, preparing & serving lunch on Wed. and to the QAC 4-H All Stars for preparing and serving lunch on Thurs.

A huge thank you to our parent volunteers: Denise Smith, Theresa Connelly, Patrick Lee, Jessica Conley, Michelle Elburn, Gina Lancaster, Lea Carter, Gina Acsvedo and Adele Quatmann. We couldn’t have done it without you!!
QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING

Quality Assurance Training has been extended to July 31st....if you have NOT COMPLETED or have questions, please contact Chris Johnston at 410-758-0166.

MANDATORY AHQA Program

This online training MUST be completed by July 31st to be able to exhibit in the QAC Fair and the MD State Fair. Who must complete the training in 2012?
1) NEW 4-H’ers in the following animal projects – alpacas, beef, dairy, goats, horse/pony, llamas, poultry, sheep, swine and rabbits
2) Any 4-H’er who has already completed the training but has added one of these species as a new project in 2012
3) Any 4-H’er who has moved up an age level (ex. Junior to intermediate or intermediate to senior).

Who does NOT have to complete the training?
1) 4-H’ers who have previously completed the training and are still in the same age division as they were in 2011 and have not added a different animal species in 2012.

The AHQA guidelines and the online program can be found at: www.maryland4h.org/AHQA/

Be sure to print your certificate upon completion.

FAREWELL TO MS. KRISTEN WILSON

Goodbye Many of you, especially the horse groups, know Ms. Kristen. She has worked for 4-H at the State level for 6 ½ years. She worked tirelessly on the horse program as well as AGsploration, Conference in O.C., other animal sciences areas and other youth development programs. Kristen is leaving us as of August 7th. She will be missed by many and we wish her well.

ANIMAL SCIENCE REMINDERS –

Queen Anne’s County Fair Guidelines (FOR COMPLETE 2012 FAIR SCHEDULE AND RULES GO TO: www.queenannescofair.com

4H animals are to be entered between 7 am and 4pm on Monday August 6th (except for 4-H dogs show participants and small pet entries)

When you enter the gate you should present copies of
• CVI – All Dairy and Livestock MUST have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection completed by your veterinarian. The process is the same as 2011 – you do not have to take it anywhere to be stamped – the copy that your veterinarian gives you is what you need to show. In addition you need to sign the self-certification document on the back of you CVI prior to each show.
• Horses must have a valid negative Coggins test as well as the equine self-certification
- Poultry (including chickens, ducks, quail, pea foul, etc) must have a negative pollurum typhoid test and be negative for avian influenza. You must also have registered your premises with MDA and complete the self-certification form.
- Rabbits and cavies and other small pets do not need a CVI but they do need to be in good health. Rabbits must be tattooed in the left ear (contact Chris Johnston cjohnstn@umd.edu if you need a tattoo) and be accompanied by a self-certification form.
- Dogs are only allowed on the grounds on show day and must have proof of current rabies vaccination.
- Rabbit Exhibitors: It is VERY IMPORTANT to keep frozen water bottles in your cage to keep your rabbit cool. Have several to swap out and refreeze each day. You are REQUIRED TO have LARGE HANGING WATER BOTTLES on your cages – no watering in cups or bowls.

**4-H DEMONSTRATIONS**

Fair is a great opportunity to “Complete” your project by doing a speech or demonstration. Contact Ms. Chris or Ms. Sally to identify a time during the Fair when you can educate the public about your project knowledge.

**STATE FAIR UPDATES**

- Animal health requirements are the same as county Fair – with the exception of the entry times. Check your exhibitor’s letter for important information.
- **NEW PROCESS FOR 2012** – Livestock Exhibitors that are used to driving into Lot A with their parking pass and then walking to the barns will no longer be able to do so. New entrance gates have been put in place so you will have to show your pass, member/leader card or pay to enter the fairgrounds.
- MD State Fair Presents!- 4H members are encouraged to sign up to do something on the stage in the 4-H Indoor Exhibit building. It could be a talent, speech or demonstration. It would be a great opportunity for you to showcase your skills – especially if you are already at the fairgrounds with another activity. Contact our county office and we can help you identify available times that would work with your schedule.
- State Fair Indoor Tags – once again will be sent to the county office for you to pick up prior to state fair. We will notify you when they arrive. If you do not pick them up by the assigned deadline – they will be returned to state fair.
- State Fair is still looking for youth workers aged 14 – 18 to help in Animal World, the indoor building and the rabbit/poultry building. Applicants must attend a short orientation and will be paid by the hour. You do not have to be at state for all 10 days – you can apply to work just a few days if that suits your schedule. Contact Chris Johnston cjohnstn@umd.edu ASAP if you are interested.

**NATIONAL 4-H WEEK OCTOBER 7-13, 2012**

It’s not too early to start thinking about promoting 4-H during the National 4-H Week, October 7-13. Each club is asked to put up displays and posters around the county. Challenge your members to see who can recruit the most new members. Do some noteworthy Community Service that week. Make an effort to really get the word out about how great 4-H is and what we do. Contact Ms. Sally if you would like help in organizing a project to showcase our 4-H Program.
## Queen Anne’s County 4-H Livestock Sale

**August 10, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.**

**Hog Show Ring, Queen Anne’s County 4-H Park**

(If you purchased an animal from the 2011 Livestock Sale, please pick up your 2 FREE BBQ BEEF DINNERS between 4-7 p.m. on Friday, August 10, 2012 in the dinner tent!)

### Register!
- Sign in at the Registration Table between 5-6 p.m.
- Clerks will record your name, address, and phone number.
- You will receive a buyer’s number.
- You will need a different buyer’s number for each individual, business, or organization.

### Bid!
- The auctioneer will announce each animal and its weight as it is being led around the ring by the 4-Her who raised it.
- If you are interested in placing a bid on that animal at the price the auctioneer states, simply raise your hand.
- The auctioneer or ring person will accept your bid.
- If you are the highest bidder, please show your buyer’s number to the auctioneer.

### Picture Time!
- After you make your purchase, please meet your animal and 4-Her behind the auction ring for a picture, a handshake, and a big THANK YOU!
- Please notify the registration table what will be happening to your animal after the fair is over. Please see “options” below.
- Payments are accepted and appreciated the night of the sale at the Fair Office located behind the Sale Ring. Please make checks payable to: QAC Livestock Sale

### Options:
- **Filling your freezer …**
  Your animal can be transported to a local butcher free of charge on Sunday (8/12/12). Please contact your chosen butcher by Monday, August 13, 2012 to have the meat cut and packaged to your specifications. (Butcher prices and contact information is attached.)
  You will be responsible for picking up your meat when it is ready and for the processing fees charged by the butcher.

  *If you don’t need all the meat … you can purchase an animal with family and friends. Each person can still have their portion cut and packaged to their specifications.*

- **Donating the animal back for resale …**
  If you wish to support 4-Hers and their projects, but don’t want the meat – you can purchase the animal and donate it back for resale to benefit any charity.
  The 4-H’er receives the amount you purchased the animal for at the sale. The animal is then taken to a local auction and resold – the money it brings at this auction will be sent to the charity that you choose.

- **Self Transport …**
  If you plan to haul the animal on your own, please let us know!

### Reasons to Purchase Locally Raised 4-H Animals:
- You are supporting the 4-H program in our county that teaches children responsibility, record keeping, and money management skills.
- You will receive publicity for yourself and/or business at the 2012 QAC Fair.
- The amount you purchase the animal for above market price is tax deductible.
- It is cheaper to buy meat on the hoof.
- You can have the meat cut to your specifications.
- At the 2013 QAC Fair, you will be invited to enjoy 2 FREE BEEF BBQ DINNERS!

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