Hi, I’m Leslie from the Cloverleaf Club. Take a look at some great 4-H’ers at our 2012 Fair!!

SEPTEMBER
8  State 4-H Rifle Match
12  Leaders Meeting, 4-H office
15  Diamond Clover Applications Due
29  State Archery Match
30  State 4-H Dressage Show

OCTOBER
7  MD Horseman’s Party

7-13  NATIONAL 4-H WEEK
8  HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSED
10  National 4-H Youth Science Day
12  KIHS Homecoming
27  QACHS Homecoming

NOVEMBER
4  Daylight Savings Time, Fall back!
6  HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSED
10  Holiday Workshop, 4-H Park
10  Horse Advisory Meeting
12  HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSED
13/18  Interviews National 4-H Conference
16-18  MD Volunteer & Teen Forum
22-23  HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSED

DECEMBER
7  Christmas Parade, 6:45 p.m.
24-1/3/13  Winter Break, all schools closed

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QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY FAIR HIGHLIGHTS
INDOOR GRAND CHAMPIONS

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CAKE AUCTION RESULTS

Ms. Anne Schnappinger is pleased to announce that once again the All Star Cake Auction was a HUGE success!! Thirty-one (31) cakes raised over $4,000.00 to support the Book Scholarship Fund. Great job Anne Schnappinger and all her All Star team helpers!! Along with the cakes there was a SPECIAL auction of signed Longaberger Baskets by Tammy Longaberger to commemorate the Queen Anne's County Fair's 70th Anniversary. Congratulations and thanks to everyone involved in making this event another success! The following is a list of 4-H'ers who's cakes were auctioned at the Cake Sale.

Aryn Cannon, Lydia Hokuf, Chad and Samuel Angelini, Anna Sissom, Julia Smith, Harlie Englebach, Katrina Schmidt, Melyn Rhodes, Anna O'Donnell, Sarah Branham, Mekenna Richardson, Alex Meehan, Julia King, Shelby Tracy, Morgan Rhodes, Adeline Perry, Cheyanne Russell, Stephen Rees, Anika Koehler, Emma Fisher, Alexis Higdon, and Helen King.

2012 INDOOR ENTRY BREAKDOWN

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ALWAYS SAY THANK YOU!

This is just a friendly reminder to the Indoor Grand Champion winners. Please remember to send a thank you note to the sponsor of your grand champion award. The name and address were included in your envelope which contained your check. Thank you notes are always appreciated and are something small that makes a big difference! If you have lost the name and address, please call the Extension Office or email Miss Sally (srosenbe@umd.edu)

THANK YOU TO FAIR HELPERS!!

Thank you to everyone who helped with the intake of entries for the Indoor Department. These helpers worked on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. They helped take in the entries by handing out and attaching tags, making sure things were in the correct classes and placing items in the correct area in the Indoor Building.

Thanks to all who helped to organize all of the entries before they were judged. This involved making sure each class was in order by category, class and age. This is a very important step in the process of getting ready for judging.

Another thank you goes to all of the volunteers who assisted the judges. This entails presenting the judges with each class, in order, for them to judge, recording results and placing ribbons and comments with the entry. With the baking, it also means cutting slices of cake, pie and bread. These must then be cut again and placed into individual containers for display.

The last thank you goes to all of our 40 plus Indoor judges! It takes a lot to judge all of our fair entries. Some of these judges did double duty by judging more than one category and some did more than one day. They are greatly appreciated.

CONGRATULATIONS 2012 QA FARM FAMILIES

Two (2) farm families in Queen Anne’s County were named Farm Family of the Year. Mr. and Mrs. Jabez Brown (Pete) and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne MacFarland were presented proclamations at the Fair. Congratulations to both families!
POTATO PROJECT

The 4-H Potato Project is open to all 4-Hers. In the spring we have a sponsor who donates the seed potatoes. 4-Hers get 5 pounds of seed potatoes to plant. They are responsible for planting, tending and harvesting their potatoes.

In turn, they must return at least 5 lbs. of potatoes when they harvest them. We will weigh and bag them and take them to be sold. The money is split 50/50 between the 4-Her and the sponsor. The sponsor then donates his money to a charity of his choice. (It is usually to the 4-H Park.)

This year’s participants were: the Richardson family, the Henderson family, the Sprenger Family, the Quillen Family, the Garner Family and the Korman Family.

If you don’t have any potatoes to bring in, please try to give back $2.50, which is the cost of your seed potatoes.

ATTENTION -- LEADER’S MEETING

There will be a regular leader’s meeting on Wed. Sept. 12th at 7:00 p.m. at the Extension office. Topics of discussion will be: follow up on the Fairs, National 4-H Week and upcoming events. Leaders, please make every effort to attend this meeting. We won’t be meeting again until January. There are new rules and dates for filing with the IRS because we have a new “year” now. Filing will be required by Nov. 15th vs. May 15th. And, yes, that means you have to file twice this year! Lots of new info for the leaders and we’ll discuss the fair, National 4-H Week and the Holiday Workshop. Kindly RSVP by the 11th so that I know how many to prepare for.

There will be a MANDATORY meeting in October – date to be determined. This will be the meeting where we vote on new Park Board members. Please think of possible candidates. We need people that have the time to commit to the park and the skills to do lots of work – both physical and business type skills are needed.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

National 4-H Week is October 7 – 13, 2012. We are asking each club to design a display or put up a poster in areas across the county. It is important that we show and educate our community about our 4-H program and all of the opportunities it provides for our youth.

Displays should be in place by Saturday, October 6th! Please make every effort to at least put up a poster this year. The Fair is our best advertisement, but we need to follow that with lots of promo during National 4-H Week.

It’s easy to set up a display (your 4-H booth is an easy way or a tri-fold) or to put up a poster. Give some businesses a call and ask if you can have some space in the storefront window. Busy areas such as grocery stores, pharmacies and libraries are always a good choice too. Ask your school or church if you can put up a poster. Find somewhere to hang a banner. The possibilities are endless.

Display Contest Rules:

- Must be on display October 7-13 for National 4-H Week
- Your club is responsible for setting up your own area and contacting the necessary people. (store manager, etc.)
- The 4-H Club must notify Sue at the 4-H Office by Thursday, October 4, 2012, as to the location of the display for judging purposes.
- There will be THREE categories in the contest this year:
  - Window display (3D display in full window or a club booth)
  - Poster display (flat on a window, any size, example: on wall, bulletin board)
  - Tri-fold display (standard issue tri-fold board; on any surface such as table, booth or window)
- Each category will receive a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place at $20.00, $15.00, and $10.00

Be sure to include an effective title and ensure that it attracts attention, holds interest and conveys a message. It should have a good general appearance with neat workmanship. Above all, it needs to promote 4-H.

EACH DISPLAY MUST INCLUDE AN A.A. STATEMENT, TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING, AND WHO TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION.

DIAMOND CLOVER PAPERWORK

Diamond Clover Level 6 paperwork is due September 15, 2012 to the State Office. If you are interested in completing Level 6, please let Ms. Sally know. You must be 14 as of January 1st when starting the project. You must complete at least eight of the tasks in Level 5 and plan, organize, implement, conduct, promote and evaluate a major service-learning project. A major project is one that makes long-lasting benefit to the community, may involve community collaborations to accomplish, may take a year or longer to plan and to complete. The Diamond Clover Project should make a difference in your community.

All other levels of the Diamond Clover are due February 15, 2013 in the Extension Office.

HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

Save the date – Saturday, November 10, 2012. We will hold our annual Holiday Workshop at the 4-H Park. Tentative time will be 9:00 – 3:00. In next month’s Cloverpress, there will be a class schedule and registration form.

PORTFOLIOS FOR NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE - Due Oct.15, 2012

At National 4-H Conference, teen delegates take the lead by serving on consulting groups to make recommendations for future directions for 4-H. Teens serve on one of the operations committees to help conduct the events and functions of the Conference. Activities include a visit to Capitol Hill and a meeting with your Senator or Representative. This trip takes place in late March or early April at the National 4-H Conference in Chevy Chase, Md.

Senior’s portfolios consist of their resume and essay on the current theme. “How do the Life Development Skills you have learned through 4-H help you serve as a Mentor to Others?” They will be due in the County Extension Office by 10th, as they are due at the State Office by Oct. 15th.

MD 4-H VOLUNTEER TEEN FORUM – Nov. 16-18, 2012

This annual event is held at the Carousel Hotel in Ocean City. It is always well attended by 4-Hers from all across the state of MD. There are many interesting classes to participate in during the forum. The forum is designed for senior 4-Hers and adult volunteers. It is family friendly, providing classes for 4-
Hers of all ages (Clovers included). There is free family time scheduled and outside activities available also. Interviews will be held here for the National 4-H Conference as well. More information will be available as the time gets nearer.

2012-2013 STATE 4-H TEEN COUNCIL

We are in need of teens to represent Queen Anne’s County on the State Teen Council in MD. Teens come together from across the state and work together throughout the year to plan Maryland Day, Teen Focus, and the Maryland 4-H Volunteer and Teen Forum. There are also great opportunities for teens to learn about youth in governance through program 4-H Day in Annapolis, representing Maryland 4-H at special events, and many other exciting leadership roles.

Some meetings are held at College Park and many are phone conferences so you don’t always have to travel to a meeting. The schedule is as follows:

- Sept 9th – 1:30-3:30, face to face at College Park with phone option
- Oct 7th – 1:30-3:30, phone conference
- Nov 16th – 18th, Ocean City – Teen/Adult Volunteer Forum
- Dec 8th – 9th, Teen Council Retreat, University of MD Eastern Shore
- Jan 6th – 1:30-3:30, phone conference
- Feb 3rd – face to face, College Park with phone option
- March 3rd – 1:30-3:30, phone conference
- April – MD Day – No meeting
- May – No meeting
- June 2nd – 1:30-3:30, College Park with phone option

If you are interested, please let Miss Sally know.

NATIONAL 4-H COUNCIL OPPORTUNITY

As many of you know, National 4-H Council is governed by a Board of Trustees consisting of thirty-five members. National 4-H Council has the privilege of having four young people, between the ages of 16-23 years old, serve as Trustees.

Two youth seats will be available this Fall. If you know of an interested young person who fits the following attributes, please encourage them to apply. Final candidates will be submitted to Council’s Board for consideration on November 9, 2012 for election to a three year term.

Successful applicants will possess the following attributes:

- Minimum of 5 years of past involvement in 4-H.
- Be between the ages of 16-23 as of November 9, 2012.
- Be able to commit to a three year term as a Board of Trustee member.
- Be an experienced public speaker.
- Be willing to represent 4-H as a spokesperson for media opportunities (media training will be provided by National 4-H Council).
- Will have served previously in a state or national 4-H leadership/governance role.
- Proven youth adult partnership impact.

If you know of a candidate who would be interested in serving as a youth Trustee, please have the candidate visit www.4-h.org/youth-trustees for nomination information and an application. All applications and accompanying nomination information is due September 21st. If you have any questions please contact Carolyn Fernandez at cfernandez@fourhcouncil.edu or (301) 961-2983.
LETOVERS/LOST & FOUND

There are a few items that haven't been picked up from the fair yet. They're in the Extension Office. Please claim them ASAP. One is a very nice basket – Higdon's? Grand Champion photo too. Record Books still here: Gabrielle Corder, Kayla Blann, Brittany Heim, Hailey Horman, Kyleigh Michaels and Travis Scott. Please pick these up!!

LEADERS...IN CASE YOU ARE INTERESTED....

LEAD Maryland seeking applications

LEAD Maryland Foundation Accepting Applications for Fellowship Program

Applications Due October 1st for 2013-2014 Fellowships

Queenstown, MD (August 30, 2012) - The LEAD Maryland Foundation is seeking applicants for its next class of LEAD Fellows. Program information and the application are available at www.leadmaryland.org. Completed applications are due to LEAD by October 1, 2012 for participation in 2013-2014. Brochure attached.

LEAD Maryland awards two-year fellowships to selected participants, creating classes of 20-25 emerging leaders. The LEAD fellowship curriculum focuses on providing public issues education, skills building, leadership development, and personal growth. Through program participation, Fellows become more equipped to solve problems, identify resources, engage and educate others, and to influence public policy important to Maryland’s rural sector.

The LEAD Maryland Foundation is a partnership 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to identifying and developing leadership for Maryland’s agriculture, natural resources, and rural communities. For more information, please contact Susan R. Harrison at 410-827-8056 or leadmd@umd.edu.

SOME EXCITING STATE FAIR NEWS......

The following 4-H'ers participated at the 2012 State Fair this year...Congratulations to Cyle Johnston, Brigid, Daniel, Helen and Julia King; Nick Kinnamon; Leslie Moore; Grace Saulsbury; Annie Seward; Anna Sissom; Eric Smith; Julia Smith; Kurt Wise, Jr.; Natalie Youse and Patrick Youse. A SPECIAL CONGRATS to: Daniel King, won Reserve Champion Waterfowl and Helen King won Grand Champion Bred and Owned Market Lamb and Reserve Champion Market Lamb. Patrick Youse won Supreme All Breed Champion with his 3 year old cow!! Julia Smith won Junior Champion Overall Holstein Heifer and Jr. Reserve Champion Fitting and Showing; Eric Smith received Reserve Jr. Champion Overall Holstein Heifer and Champion Jr. Bred and Owned Holstein Heifer and Champion Jr. Fitting and Showing.

Nick Kinnamon won Reserve Champion in Duroc Boar Open Show. Cyle Johnston won Sr. Division of Team Purebread Skillathon and won Supreme Champion Hampshire Pair of gilts in 4-H and Champion Chester White Gilt in Open Show.
Annie Seward received a Champion on Ready to Wear at the State Fashion Revue along with Anna Sissom who received a Reserve Champion in Constructed at the State Fashion Revue.

2012 NORTHEAST REGION 4-H VOLUNTEER FORUM

Reboot—It’s a new 4-H year, we’re exploring new technology and we hope you’ll join us! Recharge—learn best practices and other skills that will make your 4-H programming better than ever! Reconnect—meet up with county and state friends along with others from the NE states through video technology.

What’s This? For the first time ever, the 4-H NERVLF will be hosted virtually, with a goal of reaching as many 4-H volunteers and staff as possible, to learn, share, and re-energize with new ideas. Through 3 evening webinars, volunteers will gather at the University of Maryland College Park and the University of Maryland Eastern Shore to hear form national experts, participate in group exercises, and learn from others while experiencing new technological advances.

Who can come? It is free!!! Anyone that wants to learn more about the 4-H program can attend-faculty, staff, teens, and of course VOLUNTEERS!!!

Topics Include:
► October 29 will focus on managing a club with youth of all ages and diverse needs.
► November 5 will focus on how to deal with difficult people and how to include the role of teen leader.
► November 12 will focus in on parents, specifically how to handle challenging parents and how best to include them in 4-H programming.

First 100 registrants will be entered into a drawing for a $100 VISA gift card!

To register go to: http://www.2012nervf.eventbrite.com/

4-H HORSE PROGRAM

University of Maryland Extension's 4-H Horse Program and the Maryland 4-H Foundation invite you to the annual 4-H Horseman's Party for an afternoon of great food and company, honoring our youth award winners and volunteers, as well as live and silent auctions.

The proceeds from this fund raising benefit go toward the Sallie Robertson Memorial 4-H Endowment Fund. Sunday, October 7, 2012; 2:00-5:00 pm; Ten Oaks Ballroom, 5000 Signal Bell Lane Clarksville, MD

In addition to honoring our youth award winners, we will be honoring the 2012 Maryland 4-H Horse Program Volunteers of the Year Russ & Susan Snyder and The 2012 Maryland 4-H Horse Program Youth Development Award Winner Kristen Wilson

Tickets are $30 Adults - $20 Youth (13 and under)
Add $10 per ticket after September 20th
For more information, or if you have any questions, please contact: The Maryland 4-H Center at (301) 314-9070. There is also a special fund raising opportunity attached that provides people the chance to purchase tickets for a raffle with the prize being a new pickup. There are a maximum of 500 tickets sold so chances to win are significant. The donation per chance is $100. If less than 400 tickets are sold, then the fund raiser reverts to a 50/50.
STATEMENT ON NATIONAL CHILDHOOD OBESITY AWARENESS MONTH

Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius

September marks the start of National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month, a time for us to encourage America’s children to develop healthy habits that can last a lifetime.

All kids deserve to experience the positive health benefits of daily physical activity and healthy eating, and have those opportunities available to them.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has developed programs and resources to help children and parents, and they’re available in agencies including the President’s Council on Fitness, Sports and Nutrition, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the National Institutes of Health’s We Can! (Ways to Enhance Children’s Activity & Nutrition) program. More at:  http://www.hhs.gov/news/press/2012pres/08/20120831a.html

DELAWARE LIVESTOCK EXPO - Beef, goats, sheep and swine shows

October 13-14, 2012 - Delaware State Fairgrounds-Harrington, DE
For more information contact Susan Garey or Kristin Cook University of Delaware Cooperative Extension at Phone (302) 730-4000

Mail Entries to:
Delaware Livestock Exposition
69 Transportation Circle
Dover, DE 19901
Entries must be postmarked by September 21, 2012
www.delawarelivestockexpo.com

PASTURE AND GRAZING MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP PLANNED FOR LIVESTOCK AND HORSE OWNERS

A workshop for livestock and horse owners explores new concepts in pasture and grazing management at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore on Saturday, September 29, from 9:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The morning session will involve a lecture in the Food Science and Technology Building and the afternoon session will provide hands-on activity on the UMES farm. Dr. Don Ball, Extension agronomist and professor emeritus at Auburn University, is the keynote speaker.

Workshop topics will focus on year-round rotational grazing for livestock and horses and utilizing tall fescue and bermudagrass in conjunction with sericea lespedeza, which shows promise for managing intestinal parasite burdens in sheep and goats. Bermudagrass, while new to this area, is a warm-season grass particularly well suited to the climatic conditions and soils of the Mid-Atlantic Region. Sessions include: Grazing Behavior of Sheep, Goats, Camels, Bovines and Equine; Bermudagrass: An Answer for Summer Forage Production and Cover for Heavy Use Areas; Extending Grazing and Reducing Stored Feed Needs; Sericea Lespedeza: A Pasture, Hay and Conservation Plant; and an overview of the year-round rotational grazing demonstration project being conducted at UMES. please contact Kayla Parmar at 410-651-6070 or by email at kjparmar@umes.edu. To register, visit. The registration fee, which includes educational materials and lunch, is $15 per person.
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