



Maryland 4-H Volunteer Voice

February 2017

2016 Volunteer Awards

Congratulations to the 2016 Maryland 4-H Volunteer Award winners, recognized at the Maryland 4-H Gala on January 15th. We are proud to honor our volunteers and are thankful for all that you do for your clubs, county, region and the state!

4-H Alumni Plaque Award- Mary Thomas, Anne Arundel County
4-H Family of the Year Award– The Stibolt Family, Anne Arundel County
Friend of 4-H Award– The Jack King Family, Queen Anne’s County
Dorothy Emerson 4-H Citizenship Award– Mitzi Hardy, Anne Arundel County
Honorary 4-H Member Award– Darlene Welsh, Carroll County
Maryland 4-H Hall of Fame Award– Ellen Larrimore, Cecil County
Maryland 4-H Volunteer of the Year- Cheryl Hill, Carroll County
Maryland Partner in 4-H Award– JoAnn’s Fabric, Washington County
Mylo Downey 4-H Leadership Award– Russ Parson, Kent County
W. Sherrard Wilson 4-H Service Award– Darleen Binns, Harford County

We would also like to recognize those who were nominated, but not selected. Thank you for all you do and for being a part of the Maryland 4-H Program!

Portia Blank, Allegany County
John Faber, Anne Arundel County
Brent and Joy Fratz Family, Garrett County
Jennifer Hiscock, Carroll County
Russ LaSala, Cecil County
The McThenia Family, Carroll County
Elaine Rea-Whited, Cecil County

Cathy Dobos, Montgomery County
Joan Gaffney, Cecil County
Chris Herbert, Garrett County
Patricia LaSala, Cecil County
Jake Macary, Anne Arundel County
Michelle Ness, Cecil County
The Schrader Family, Cecil County

Volunteer Award information, dates and past winners is available at:

<https://go.umd.edu/4hvolunteerawards>



State Communications Contest

The 2017 Maryland State Communications Contest will be held during Maryland Day on **Saturday, April 29th** on the University of Maryland, College Park campus. This contest will provide county 4-H Public Speaking champions the opportunity to demonstrate their skills and compete at the state level.

Judges for each of the four speech categories of Radio Spot, Prepared Speech, Extemporaneous Speaking and Interpretations are needed. Contact Sandy Corridon at corridon@umd.edu to volunteer as a judge.



4-H International Programs Advisory Committee Formation

The Maryland 4-H Center is looking for interested senior age youth and adults to assist with the 4-H International Program as members of the newly forming 4-H International Programs Advisory Committee. Members would serve as grassroots ambassadors in their county/region for the International Program by sharing information and opportunities with youth, as well as, assisting with programs and inbound international youth during the summer months.

Contact Brenda Mason at bmason@umd.edu or Jamie Morris at jkenton@umd.edu for more information or to volunteer to be a part of this committee.

An interest in supporting youth and learning about culture is beneficial, but no international experience needed.



Become a UME 4-H Volunteer in 2017! Contact your 4-H Team today!

<http://extension.umd.edu/4-h/volunteers>



2017 Volunteer Opportunities

February 15, 2017— *Deadline to volunteer as a Teen/Adult Forum Committee Tri-Chair*

February 25, 2017— **10:00 AM-2:00 PM**— Healthy Living Summit at the Queen Anne's County 4-H Park

Register for Healthy Living Summits via the Healthy Living page

<http://extension.umd.edu/4-h/4-h-program-areas/healthy-living>

March 19, 2017— Maryland 4-H Volunteers' Association Meeting— Maryland 4-H Center

April 29, 2017— Maryland Day— University of Maryland, College Park

October 5, 2017— **7:00-8:30 PM**— **National 4-H Volunteer eForum**- Cultivating an Environment for Growing True Leaders (Registration information to come...)

November 2, 2017-**7:00-8:30 PM**—**National 4-H Volunteer eForum**- "STEM"ming into Animal Science, Growing True Leaders (Registration information to come...)

November 17-19, 2017— **Maryland 4-H Teen and Volunteer Forum**

December 7, 2017— **7:00-8:30 PM**—**National 4-H Volunteer eForum**- Helping 4-H'ers Grow in Life & Work

Registration information to come...



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