

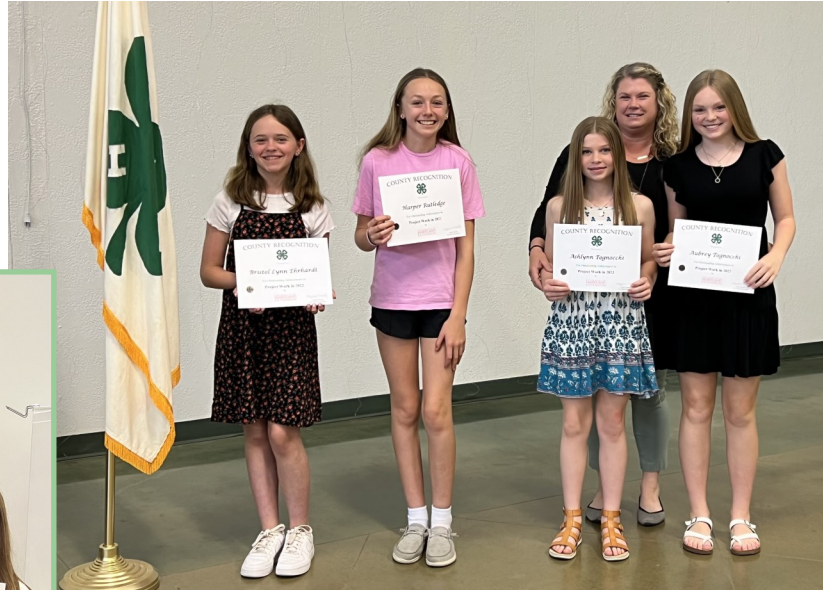


Cloverleaf Chronicle May 2023



Just a reminder, this publication is a forum for you, our 4-Hers, Clubs, and Volunteers! We encourage you to submit pictures and articles highlighting your activities, ideas, and outstanding accomplishments! To be included in our next issue, please email all submissions no later than 6/5/23 to Marylisa Schaedel at mschaede@umd.edu.

Congratulations to all of our 4-Hers recognized at our Achievement Day on May 7, 2023! (right)



Congratulations to Mabel and Charlotte Smithson for placing Reserve Champion at the State Public Speaking Contest! (left)



Congratulations to our Harford County Dairy Bowl Teams! (right) Our Junior Teams placed 1st and 4th, Intermediate placed 2nd and 3rd and the Senior Combined Team placed 1st! All of the participants did a great job! More pictures begin on page 18!





UPDATES FROM THE 4-H OFFICE



Happy May! Our 4-Hers have been busy representing Harford County at many State competitions including Public Speaking and Dairy Bowl! Thank you to everyone who attended Achievement Day! We are so proud of your accomplishments! Be sure to check out all the great pictures on pages 18-20. ~Marylisa Schaedel



Thank you to those who were able to attend Achievement Day! Record Books and certificates are ready to be picked up either at your next club meeting (check with your Leader first) or from our office. A full list of those who completed record books and are eligible to participate in the Farm Fair can be found on page 13.



Good Luck Wishes to Grads! Leaders, parents and 4-H members are invited to salute graduating senior 4-Hers by sending a write up of good wishes for your graduates to be posted on our social media platforms and our newsletter. This is a wonderful opportunity to honor your graduates! Please share this information with your club members and send your write up and pictures to mschaede@umd.edu. Please be sure to ask permission to use pictures and names of your graduate before submitting!



The Harford County 4-H Horticulture Activity Club will be starting up soon! If you are interested in participating, please contact Club Leader, Joyce Browning jbrowni3@umd.edu.



Be on the lookout for a new way to register for 4-H events, classes and workshops! Starting on March 20th, our office will begin using **GOOGLE FORMS** to track RSVP's to upcoming free events! This process will help us accurately count participants as well as prepare supplies for each event. The form is short and can be completed in less than 5 minutes! We appreciate your help with this new process! If you have any issues accessing the form, please contact our office, 410-638-3255.



We are looking for 4-Hers to give demonstrations at the Harford County Farm Fair! You can work individually or with a partner! The presentation should be educational and informative. Interactive demonstrations like trivia games or contests are also welcome. Use your imagination and take this opportunity to help educate the public about your great project work!





The Animal Husbandry and Quality Assurance website is open! Here is the link to access the program: <https://ahqa.umd.edu/>.

2023 Program Requirements for Maryland 4-H Exhibitors

- All 4-H members enrolled in alpacas, beef, dairy, goats, horse and pony, llamas, poultry, sheep, swine and rabbits are required complete the training to be eligible to exhibit their project animals in 2023 Maryland County 4-H and State 4-H Shows.
- A 4-H member must complete this training if they are showing animals for the first time, changing age groups or showing a new species for the first time.
- The program must be completed using Chrome, Edge, Firefox or Safari web browsers. The program is not supported by Internet Explorer.
- Please be sure you are logged in! If you are not logged in, the program will not track your progress or record the completion of the program. When logged in, there is a message at the top right corner of the screen with the message: Logged In: (Member's Name). If you are not properly logged in, the completed certificate will record "Guest Account" in place of the name. This progress will not be recorded and the training will need to be completed again.

Training must be completed by July 15th to participate in the Harford County Farm Fair.

Attention All 4-H Livestock Exhibitors!

This year all livestock exhibitors will be required to attend a **MANDATORY** meeting and sign the new Harford County Livestock Exhibitor Rules.

You are only required to attend **ONE** meeting.

Our final Livestock Exhibitor Meeting will be held on Monday, June 5, 2023, 7 pm at the Extension Office. Please RSVP by email or call the office. **If you attended one of the previous sessions, you do not need to attend on 6/5!**

This will be the last session offered to accommodate those who are away at college or have not been able to attend a previous session. If you have any questions, please call the office or email Marylisa mschaede@umd.edu.



Clover/Junior Workshop Barnyard Cupcakes



Join us to learn how to make fun animal creations using cupcakes, frosting, candy and other edible trims! Space is limited to 10.

When: May 22, 2023

6:30 pm at the Extension Office

RSVP using the google form: <https://forms.gle/hYHELApLZhbEWT9fA>

4-H 101



Are you new to the 4-H Program? Would you like to learn more about 4-H? Join us for an interactive discussion about the nuts and bolts of the 4-H Program! We will review the enrollment process, the calendar year, explain what is required of a 4-Her and review all opportunities at the County and State level. Bring your questions! We hope to see you there!

When: Thursday, June 1, 2023 7 pm

Where: Harford County Extension Office

(3525 Conowingo Rd Street, MD 21154)

RSVP to Marylisa Schaedel

mschaede@umd.edu by 5/21/23.



Interested in designing a 4-H t-shirt??

All designs must be submitted to the Extension Office by 6/20/23





2023 Harford County Farm Bureau Scholarship Program

The Harford County Farm Bureau Scholarship is available to applicants whose families are members of Harford County Farm Bureau. The applicant must be accepted or enrolled in a full-time accredited 2 or 4 year college, university, or technical school, and the applicant's chosen curriculum must be in an approved program in agriculture or an agriculturally related field.

The Harford County 4-H Memorial Scholarship is available to graduating high school seniors who have been a member of Harford County 4-H for a minimum of 2 years. The applicant must be accepted or enrolled in a full-time accredited 2 or 4 year college, university, or technical school. It is not necessary for the applicant's chosen curriculum to be agriculturally related. This scholarship was established to memorialize several Harford County 4-H members who lost their lives at a young age because of accidents or health issues. Funds for this scholarship come from donations and from the sale of 4-H livestock projects which are sold at the Harford County Farm Fair.

There is one scholarship application form, which can be used for either or both scholarships. To obtain an electronic copy, please contact the Farm Bureau office at harfordfb@gmail.com.

The completed application and all requested information should be sent to: Harford County Farm Bureau, 3525 Conowingo Road, Suite 200, Street, MD 21154-1900. **Applications must be postmarked by or delivered to the Farm Bureau office at the Harford County Agricultural Center by Thursday, May 25, 2023.**



Horse Happenings



Please join us for our upcoming Horse Council meeting. We will be planning Horse Clinic and future events. We hope to see you there!

Thursday, May 18, 2023 7 pm

Attention all Intermediate and Senior 4-Hers! The Farm Fair is looking for youth to help run the Kidway this year! The Fair will be open most days from 4-8 pm, July 22-29. If you are interested in helping, please let us know by calling the office or email [Marylisa mschaede@umd.edu](mailto:mschaede@umd.edu).

4-H Marketplace *at the Fair!*

We are very excited to offer this unique opportunity to our 4-Hers and Clubs to *“learn and earn”* by selling their excessive baked goods, vegetables, plants, flowers, crafts or any other hand made items at the Fair! Here are a few guidelines:

- Individuals or Clubs can participate to generate income for themselves or their club. Each will be assigned a **Vendor Number** (club or individual) and all proceeds assigned to the Vendor Number will go to the club or individual.
- The **Vendor Number** must be included on each item being sold.
- All baked goods must have a label including all ingredients. For example, each Ziploc bag containing 2 cookies must have a label with all ingredients. No nuts, custard or cream based items. No items that require refrigeration or are not sturdy to withstand the heat.
- If you wish to participate, you are expected to work at least one **4 hour shift when the Fairgrounds are open to the public**. An adult must accompany any youth under the age of 16.
- We are in search of Adult Volunteers to also help at the Marketplace to ensure the correct exchange of money as well as supervision.
- If you are interested in participating, please complete the google form: <https://forms.gle/rS4YfshKt1fCeWUu8> and submit no later than 6/25/2023.



Harford County 4-H Teen Leadership Council



We are pleased to introduce our Harford County 4-H Teen Leadership Council! We have teens representing 12 of our 4-H clubs. Members will plan promotional and service activities as well attend various board meetings.

State 4-H Opportunities!

True Leaders in Equity Institute

Everyone has a role to play in creating a more welcoming and inclusive society, and we want you to be part of that change!

National 4-H Council is pleased to offer the [True Leaders in Equity Institute](#) from July 10-13, 2023, in Bethesda, Maryland. The True Leaders in Equity Institute is a training program for passionate youth ages 15-19 to learn about equity and inclusion and how it affects their communities. The institute will prepare participants to be change agents within the Cooperative Extension System as we work together to create more welcoming and inclusive environments.

This training and leadership opportunity challenges participants to ideate and champion equity-related projects that will grow 4 H in their communities.

Dr. Fields has a *limited number of grant funds available to supplement registration costs. To be considered, applicants should send a response to the following question to Kamaria Massey at kcmassey@umd.edu by May 26th to be considered for grant funding:*

Everyone has a role to play in creating a more welcoming and inclusive society, and we want you to be part of that change! Why are you interested in attending the True Leaders in Equity Institute and what role do you feel you play in creating a more welcoming and inclusive society?

Local/regional teams will need to identify a chaperone (4-H Educator or an approved volunteer chaperone) to accompany their youth delegation. Please share a list of interested youth and potential chaperones to Kamaria Massey by May 26th.

[Application Deadline](#) is June 1st. [Please do not register until you've received approval from the state office so that we ensure we have the appropriate adult supervision]



SAVE THE DATE!

MD STATE 4-H RIFLE CONTEST: SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

MD STATE 4-H ARCHERY CONTEST: SEPTEMBER 23, 2023

MD STATE SHOTGUN CONTEST: OCTOBER 21, 2023



The Cecil County Breeder's Fair will be held on June 3 and June 4, 2023. Entries are DUE postmarked by 5/15. The catalog can be found here: <https://extension.umd.edu/locations/cecil-county/local-4-h-youth-education/program-information-resources?fbclid=IwAR30QSMFmhWHXDV8qHGV8SjO1HRPt4-W4gJ8W5HB6YMmkLY44JwHdNa6uW8>

State 4-H Opportunities!



At the One Health Careers Summit, Maryland and West Virginia youth will have the opportunity to meet professionals and learn about **Animal Health, Environmental Health, and Human Health Careers** and how they work together under the One Health umbrella. The event will also advise youth interested in One Health careers on professional development and academic courses to prepare for their future.

Event Details:

Date: Thursday, June 22, 2023

Audience: Youth (4-H and non-4-H) ages 13+ (as of Jan 1) with a spark in animal sciences, environmental sciences, healthy living, and interested in learning about One Health careers.

Participation Fee: \$10.00 per youth

Registration: Register via 4-HOnline. Limited registration to the first 25 youth who register; closes June 5 or when full. Non-4-H'ers can create a guest profile in 4-H Online to register for this event.

Location: Washington County Extension Office, 7303 Sharpsburg Pike, Boonsboro, MD 21713

Presenters include: Professionals from Maryland Department of Health, Maryland Department of Agriculture, Maryland Department of Environment, University of Maryland Extension, West Virginia University, and private industry!

Tentative Agenda:

Morning

- Welcome
- What is One Health?

An Introduction to One Health Careers

- One Health Careers Panel
- Career Exploration Concurrent Sessions

Lunch (Provided)

Afternoon

- Career Pathways Panel
- Skills Focused Concurrent Sessions

Summit participants will:

- Interact with professionals and increase awareness in a variety of careers which fall under the One Health umbrella.
- Meet fellow 4-H'ers from around the region with similar interests in animal sciences, environmental sciences, and healthy living.
- Gain knowledge, understanding, and skills around career and college readiness.
- Network with professionals to identify opportunities for development in One Health.

For more information contact Chris Anderson, canders2@umd.edu or Kevin Huang, khuang14@umd.edu



Are you new to 4-H and need guidance from an older, experienced 4-Her? Are you an intermediate or senior 4-Her willing to mentor a new or younger 4-Her with a project? We will be including a new **Help Wanted** section in our monthly newsletter! This feature will be much like old fashioned want ads, either looking for help with a skill or project, or someone offering their expertise with a skill or project! If you are interested in learning something new or helping a younger 4-H learn, submit your request to Marylisa mschaede@umd.edu by 6/5/22!



Camp Dates for 2023

INTERMEDIATE CAMP: June 26-30, 2023

COMBINED CLOVER/JUNIOR CAMP*: July 10-14, 2023

***Clovers will be a day program only, Juniors will have the option to stay overnight or attend the day program only.**

Registration forms can be found online: <https://extension.umd.edu/locations/harford-county/local-4-h-youth-education>

and must be turned in by 5/15!



Record Book Updates

Stay tuned....Record Book changes are coming! We plan to offer alternative options for Intermediates and Seniors! New options will be revealed in June.

Just a reminder, a completed project must include a demonstration!

4-H dem-on-stra-tion (*noun*): a presentation showcasing mastery of a particular aspect of a project given in front of club members or at a Leader approved event or function.



Community Service Opportunity!

Kids Feeding Kids

Is your 4-H club looking for a community service project? The Hope Center of Maryland, a not-for-profit food bank located in Churchville, has two opportunities available. The Hope Center's goal is to ensure that all people in Harford County have enough food in their household. This is accomplished by collecting food, fresh produce and non-food necessities such as paper goods, cleaning and laundry supplies, then distributing to 16 community food giveaway providers, 3 fixed-income senior living communities, and 3 after school children programs. Below are two ways your club can help The Hope Center accomplish its mission.

Food Drive

Your club can hold a food drive to help feed Harford County children. Harford County has 10 schools where more than 60% of the families are low-income. Presently, The Hope Center assists one these schools by providing extra food to these children to take home with them on weekends and holidays. The Center has plans to expand this program to more of these schools within the next year. Your food drive will help with this program.

Donate surplus produce

Do the members of your club grow vegetables at home, and end of up with tons of tomatoes and zillions of zucchini? Last year The Hope Center received 38,000 pounds of surplus fresh produce from area farmers and home gardeners like you! The Hope Center provided hundreds of families and seniors with fresh produce through these donations. Your club members can team up to make donations during the growing season.

If your club is interested in either of these opportunities, contact Robert Meza to make arrangements, by emailing him at robert@thehopecenterofmd.com or call 443.787.9290.

For more information about The Hope Center of Maryland, go to www.thehopecenterofmd.com

The Jim Claxton Memorial Scholarship



Turfgrass Producers of Maryland, Inc.
"Save the Bay – Sod Today"

Administered by the Turfgrass Producers of Maryland

The Jim Claxton Scholarship Fund was initiated in 2011 in order to honor Jim and his contributions to the Mid-Atlantic turfgrass industry, while financially supporting students in pursuit of a college degree.

Jim worked as a salesman for Newsom Seed from the early 1990's until shortly before his passing in 2013. He made great contributions to turfgrass-related businesses during this period, especially businesses directly involved in turf production.

The Jim Claxton Scholarship Fund allows for an award to be issued to a winning applicant prior to the Fall college semester in the amount of \$500.00. If the Scholarship Fund allows, additional applicants may be awarded. Previous winners of the Jim Claxton Scholarship may re-apply. Preference may be given to students enrolled in a turfgrass related field or with experience in turfgrass production.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant must be a current high school senior, or enrolled in a two or four-year college/university program. Proof of enrollment may be requested by the Scholarship Committee after application submittal.
- Applicant should reside in the Mid-Atlantic area or be enrolled in a college/university in the Mid-Atlantic area. Preference may be awarded to students residing or attending school in Maryland or one of its adjoining states.
- Applicant should have earned a high school or college level GPA of at least 2.50.
- General application, current transcript, one-page essay, and up to two letters of recommendation must be submitted by mail or email by 5/31/23.

Essay Prompt: Please submit a one-page essay outlining your career objectives in your chosen field, and your connection to the turfgrass industry.

Application Checklist (online application available at <https://tinyurl.com/mem5fk9c>)

- General Application Form (Page 2)
- Resume
- One-Page Essay (prompt outlined above)
- Transcript
- Up to two letters of recommendation (1 letter is required)

Sending Your Application: We are accepting applications by mail or email.

To email, send your application and all accompanying documents to sara@newsomseed.com by **4:00PM on 5/31/23**.

To mail your application & documents, send to:

Turfgrass Producers of Maryland
P.O. Box 389
St. Michaels, MD 21663

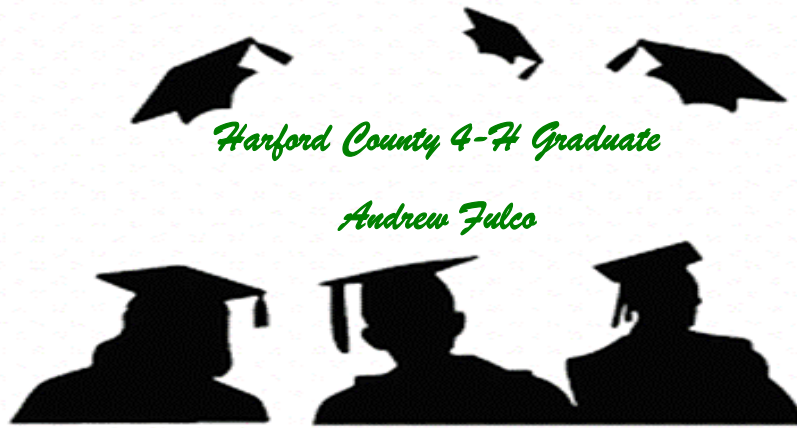
All applications MUST be received or postmarked no later than May 31, 2023.

Interested applicants need to complete the application which can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/mem5fk9c>. Applications need to be returned to sara@newsomseed.com by 4:00 pm on 5/31/23.

*Congratulations! If your name appears on this list, you completed a Record Book and are eligible to participate in the 2023 Harford County Farm Fair!***

Beau Almony	Kendra Gephart	Erin Lyons	Mark Stauffer
Avery Anderson	Kate Gervasi	Nathan Lyons	Abigail Stewart
Naomi Anderson	Lia Gervasi	Charles Maccarelli	Branson Taylor
Carmella Berg	Mackenzie Gill	Jacob Maccarelli	Madison Thomas
Elizabeth Balint	Todd Gill	Grace Magness	Olivia Thomas
Cole Blevins	Ava Grabowski	Addison Majewski	Brogan Thompson
Garrett Blevins	Braylen Gray	Skylar Majewski	Lorel Thompson
Wyatt Blevins	Tyler Gray	Paul Majewski	Ashlynn Tognocchi
Everett Brooks	Madeline Greene	Caleigh McCann	Aubrey Tognocchi
Grace Brown	Mason Hall	Mekenzie McCann	Gregory Trout
Isabella Canova	Griffin Harrington	Natalie McCann	Ryan Trout
Alexandra Carven	Kate Hartland	Reese McNutt	John Trout
Sarah Carven	Lucy Hartland	Ryder McNutt	Benjamin Troyer
Thomas Cassilly	Chase Harward	Sophia Misner	Emily Troyer
Bradyn Citro	Colt Harward	Sadie Moldenhausner	Patrick Waltimyer
Mia Citro	Madison Hedges Bailey	Laura Grace Muir	Taylor Walton
Emmett Clisham	Hannah Hill	Nathanael Muir	Levi Ward
Georgia Clisham	Layton Hill	Josiah Nance	Erin Webb
Mia Cochran	Emmalyn Hindle	Christopher Ortt	Jaime-lyn Widman
Ellie Cochran	Ava Holloway	Gretchen Parks	Jason Widman
Roger Cochran	Sophia Holloway	Megan Parks	Samuel Wilson
Cyla Copenhaver	Elisabeth Holmes	Abbie Patrick	Ruthanne Yetter
Nathan Craley	Isabella Holmes	Kloe Patrick	Parker Zambito
Rachel Craley	Keely Holmstrom	Carson Rose	Wyatt Zambito
Ryan Craley	Reilly Holmstrom	Zachary Rose	
Ella Deford	Savannah Hutchins	Harper Rutledge	
Thomas DelMastro	Troy Hutchins	Travis Sadowski	
Naomi Dove	Sophia Johnson	Austin Scarborough	
Brooklynn Eagan	Genevieve Joy	Levi Scarborough	
Tessa Eagan	Ashley Kerns	Jordyn Sears	
Bristol Lynn Ehrhardt	Brianna Kerns	Peyton Sears	
Aiden Fodel	Georgia Kidwell	Presley Sears	
Lilah Fodel	Madison Kingsley	Elijah Sekowski	
Nora Fodel	Meghan Kingsley	Jane Sekowski	
Hailey Forrester	Ashley Kirk	Ferah Seren	
Miranda Forrester	Elena Kirk	Khan Seren	
Chase Fowler	Lauren Kirk	Lucy Sherrier	
Sarah Fowler	Aubrey Lancaster	Aubrey Short	
Constance Fritz	Charlotte Lancaster	Abigayle Smith	
George Fritz	Ryleigh Lancaster	Charlotte Smithson	
Charles Gast	Brady Larkin	Isabelle Smithson	
Christopher Gast	Arielle Leeds	Mabel Smithson	
	Natalie Ling	Dakota Soethe-Auer	
	Savannah Ling	Savannah Soethe-Auer	

*** Just a reminder, first year 4-Hers and graduating seniors are not required to complete a record book.*



Andrew Fulco, class of 2023, will be graduating from Harford Technical High School from the Cybersecurity program. He has been a member of the Churchville champions 4-H club and blue ribbon club since he was five years old. Throughout his 4-H career he's been involved in many various projects, and most recently traveled to Atlanta, and Virginia, representing Maryland and Harford County. He has been a camp counselor for several years and enjoys helping others and stepping in as a leader when he can. He is also heavily involved in Theater and has most recently starred in the musical "Footloose" at John Carroll High School and "The Play That Goes Wrong" at Starlight Theatricals. He will be headed to UMBC in the fall and excited to study Information Systems. ~submitted by Lisa Fulco



Club Notes



The Blue Ribbon 4-H Club met at Bethel Church on April 16th. Our guest speaker Dennis Kirkwood talked to the club about birds nests and each member got to build their own birdhouse. New members always welcome. ~Submitted by Club Leader Jane Burgess

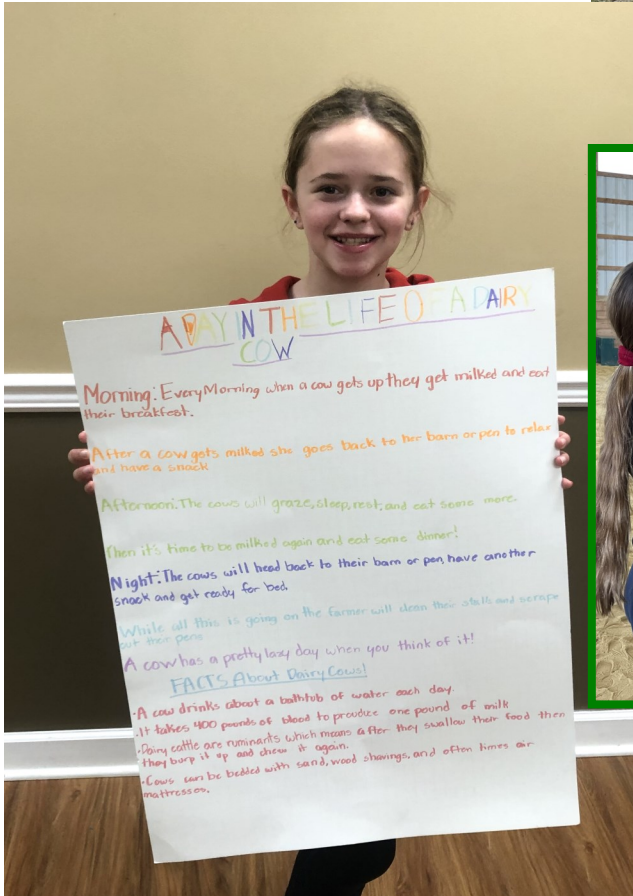




Club Notes



In April, the Super Clover Kids Club visited Gentle Giants Draft Horse Rescue. We learned about the horses and how the rescue works. Our club will be collecting donations for the non-profit at our May meeting. Bristol Ehrhardt gave a demonstration on the day in the life of a dairy farmer at our last club meeting. Great job Bristol! ~Submitted by Club Leader Heather Tognocchi





Club Notes



Black Horse 4-H Club has over 70 members with diverse interests and activities they participate in. In April members did the State Public Speaking Contest, the State Dairy Bowl Contest, Archery practices, worked with their project animals, and painted gourds with Miss Bobbie. *Submitted by Samuel Wilson, Club Reporter*



4-H Picture Pages



MD State 4-H
Dairy Bowl
2023



4-H Picture Pages



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MD State Public
Speaking
Contest





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Achievement Day 2023



May 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1  Leaders Association Meeting 7 pm EVERYTHING IS DUE!!	2	3	4	5  Submissions to the Cloverleaf Chronicle due TODAY!	6
7  Achievement Day 2 pm DCO	8	9 10 Weigh In Swine, Sheep and Goats Harford Co. Fairgrounds 6-8 pm		11	12	13  MD 4-H Day at the Zoo (registration required)
14  Mothers Day	15	16	17  Camp Board Meeting 6 pm DCO	18  Horse Council Meeting 7 pm EO	19	20
21	22  Clover/Jr Barnyard Cupcakes Workshop 6:30 pm EO	23	24	25	26	27
28	29  Office Closed	30	31			

June 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1  4-H 101 EO 7 pm	2	3 Cecil County Breeder's Fair
4 Cecil County Breeder's Fair	5  Mandatory Livestock Meeting 7 pm EO Submissions to the Cloverleaf Chronicle DUE!	6	7	8  Teen Leadership Council 6:30 pm EO	9	10  4-H Horse Judging and Hippology Contests Howard County
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Juneteenth Holiday Office Closed	20  Farm Fair Entries Due! T shirt contest due!	21  Camp Board Meeting 6 pm DCO	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	
Harford County Intermediate Camp						



University programs, activities, and facilities are available to all without regard to race, color, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, marital status, age, national origin, political affiliation, physical or mental disability, religion, protected veteran status, genetic information, personal appearance, or any other legally protected class.

**If you require special assistance to participate, please call the Extension Office
(410-638-3255) two weeks prior to the event**

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