

Hello Summer!!

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 7/5/23 to Marylisa Schaedel at mschaede@umd.edu.



The 2023 Harford County Farm Fair online entry system is OPEN!! Please use this link:

<https://harford.fairwire.com/>

The system will remain open until 11:59 PM on June 20, 2023!



- **The Farm Fair will be held July 22-29, 2023.**
- **Please use the online system to register all indoor and outdoor entries, EXCEPT CLOVERS!**
- **Clovers should use this google form to register their entries for the Fair: <https://forms.gle/hDYtfZTK4xAFxNkc7>**
- **Attention Livestock Exhibitors! Please provide accurate tag information on your entry forms. Scrapie tag and 840 tag information must match the registration forms from our Jan/May Weigh In unless you have contacted us regarding a replacement tag.**
- **The Fair catalog and schedule can be found on our website: <https://extension.umd.edu/locations/harford-county/local-4-h-youth-education/events-opportunities>.**
- **4-H Market Place information and sign up can be found on page 8!**
- **We are looking for 4-Hers to give demonstrations during the week of the Fair and volunteers to watch over the Indoor Exhibits. More information can be found on page 3.**



UPDATES FROM THE 4-H OFFICE



Happy June! As the school year comes to a close, we look forward to shifting gears to our summer programs such as Camp, the Farm Fair and Horse Clinic! These events take months of planning and many dedicated volunteers. If you are attending these events, please join me in saying a huge THANK YOU to our 4-H Volunteers! ~Marylisa Schaedel



The Animal Husbandry and Quality Assurance website is open! Here is the link to access the program: <https://ahqa.umd.edu/>. Youth are required to complete this training if they are changing age groups or showing a species for the first time.



The Harford County 4-H team will be conducting a Needs Assessment to gauge the interests of our youth and families. In the next few days, each family will receive a copy of the Youth Assent Form, which explains the reasons to participate or not. After you receive the assent form, the actual Needs Assessment will follow for youth to complete if they wish. This entire process is completely voluntary, however, it is useful information for our team as we move forward with new programs and opportunities for our youth. If you have any questions about the Assent form letter or the Needs Assessment, please contact Marylisa mschaede@umd.edu.



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!



Record Book changes are in the works! We are aware that some forms are very repetitive and not all projects have records that correlate to the forms we require. After hearing your concerns we have a committee hard at work to offer options to all age groups. We will also be updating the grading rubric to align more accurately with the age and available opportunities of our 4-Hers. We hope to offer alternatives to the traditional Record Book, allowing for our 4-Hers to express their creativity! Traditional Record Books will **still always** be accepted, these changes and alternatives will be **strictly optional!** Stay tuned for details!





Horse Happenings



Mark your Calendars!!

2023 Horse Clinic will be held August 14-17* at the Equestrian Center. The fee to participate will be \$250, per child, families sending more than one child will pay \$200 for each sibling.

We will be offering a Clover Day!

For full details and the registration forms, please visit our website: <https://extension.umd.edu/locations/harford-county/local-4-h-youth-education/events-opportunities>.

Registration and payment are due to the 4-H Office by 7/7/23!

**Please note, this event is tentative and subject to change based upon volunteer participation.*

We are in need of building hosts to watch over the indoor exhibits the week of the Fair! If you would like to volunteer, please sign up using this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4DAAAC29ABFBC61-building>

The Fair is a great place to give a demonstration for your record book! If you are interested please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4DAAAC29ABFBC61-demonstration>

Bel Air 4th of July Parade!

Are you or your club interested in walking in the Bel Air 4th of July Parade? Lisa Fulco has reserved a walking group spot in the parade for any interested participants!

If you would like to attend, please complete this google form: <https://forms.gle/yPSk5tgHUwLdtiTu7>. We hope you can join to represent 4-H in the parade!

WHAT Color and Breed is Your Horse

Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at 7pm

University of Maryland Extension

Harford County

Susquehanna Room

Join us for an evening learning about horse
colors and breeds.

You don't need to own a horse!

RSVP by June 20th

Sign Up using Google form.

Click Link to Sign Up

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<https://forms.gle/U9WNHKhzicp1eHrq7>

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Use <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc-7pcKKb5ITyv4vT3SmAToPN4MINqs0JdhL1agMExKDBKA0g/viewform> to sign up!

Prepare for the Fair!

Join us to go over the basics of the indoor project entry process and prepare to speak to the judges by participating in a mock interview! Q&A session for new and returning exhibitors!

When: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 7 pm

Harford County Extension Office

RSVP to Marylisa mschaede@umd.edu

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: Tuesday, June 13, 2023 7 pm

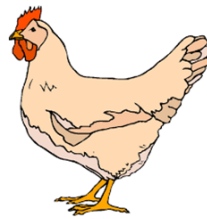
Where: Harford County Extension Office

(3525 Conowingo Rd Street, MD 21154)

RSVP to Marylisa Schaedel

mschaede@umd.edu by 6/12/23.





It is time to get those fair entries in!

Do you own chickens? Would you like to test your knowledge about Poultry?
Then you should register for the Poultry Skillathon held at the Harford
County Farm Fair!

To prepare for the Skillathon, we will have several study sessions opportunities!

We will begin by meeting **Thursday, June 15th** at the Extension Office.

The first session will be all about Eggs.

Additional opportunities to prepare for the event will be scheduled on
Thursdays through June into July.

We know folks are busy!

Please RSVP for each session, so we have the appropriate number of materials prepared.

This will help you prepare for the County event
and also for the State Fair Judging contest!

Please contact Michele Widman via email jmwidman8@aol.com or Sarah Hindle at shindle134@gmail.com. Sessions will be led by Angelique Livezey.

Please join us! Cluck cluck ...

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

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



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 baked items that require refrigeration or are not sturdy to withstand the heat will be permitted.
- If you wish to participate, you are expected to work at least one **4 hour shift when the Fairgrounds are open to the public.**
- 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 plan to participate, please email Marylisa Schaedel mschaede@umd.edu so you can be assigned a Vendor Number. Once I receive your name, I will send out a form for you to complete detailing what items you plan to sell. If you would like to reserve your time slot to help with the 4-H Marketplace, please use the sign up genius link here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4DAAAC29ABFBC61-4hmarketplace> .



Clover/Junior Workshop

Scavenger Hunt and Nature Suncatcher Craft

Join us to participate in a fun scavenger hunt and make a suncatcher craft with your findings!

When: July 6, 2023

6:30 pm at the Extension Office

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

State 4-H Opportunities!

The Maryland 4-H Foundation Scholarship Application is due June 15, 2023 by 11:59 pm. Information and requirements can be found here: <https://www.mymaryland4hfoundation.com/how-we-give/scholarships>



The Maryland State Fair will once again span three weekends in 2023, August 24-27, August 31– September 4, and September 7-10. **The online entry system is now OPEN and will close on July 15, 2023.** A complete schedule and list of departments can be found here: <https://marylandstatefair.com/4hffa/>. Special Events such as judging contests, robotics, and engineering events must be registered through 4-H Online. 4-H Online entries will be accepted July 15-31, 2023.

2023 Maryland State Fair Youth Workers - Apply NOW

The Maryland State Fair is seeking youth, ages 14-18, to work at the Maryland State Fair in the following buildings/exhibits: 4-H/FFA Home Arts Building, U-Learn Barn, and U-Learn Farm.

Available positions include:

- **4-H/FFA Home Arts Building:** This is the main 4-H/FFA Exhibit Hall where non-animal exhibits are on display for the public to view. Youth workers will assist with the receipt, placement, care and release of exhibits, and general upkeep of the building. There will be extensive interaction with the public, youth workers will be required to advocate for 4-H/FFA and lead youth activity stations.
- **U-Learn Barn:** This educational exhibit will connect animals and agriculture to food & fiber consumers can purchase at the grocery store. Youth workers will assist with the care and feeding of the animals on exhibit as well as the general upkeep of the facility. There will be extensive interaction with the public and animals, youth workers will be required to advocate for 4-H/FFA and agriculture and lead youth activity stations.
- **U-Learn Farm:** This is an educational space where the public can learn about and explore agriculture in Maryland. Youth workers will assist with the activity stations, and general upkeep of the facility. There will be extensive interaction with the public, youth workers will be required to advocate for 4-H/FFA and agriculture and lead youth activity stations.

The Job Description and link to the Qualtrics Application Form can be found at the bottom of the Maryland 4-H/Get Involved/Maryland State Fair page of the 4-H website at: <https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development/get-involved/maryland-state-fair>. Applications will be considered on a first-come, first-served basis.



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

Community Service Opportunity!!



***Please support
The Playful Heart
Giving Tree***

Gifts donated benefit
**Harford Family House & Alpha's Glory
Pregnancy Center**

These organizations help families in Harford County and have requested:
swimsuits for boys and girls ages NB–13, sunscreen, sunhats, sunglasses,
baby toiletries, basketballs, footballs, soccer balls, volleyballs, beach balls,
hula-hoops, frisbees, nerf toys, yard toys, diapers size 3 and up, bubble
toys,

pull-ups size 4-6, fruit & vegetable baby food, sidewalk chalk, flip-flops
and tennis shoes for 5-13 year-olds, swim toys, and baby formula.

Please drop off donations at the Extension Office by June 30.

Contact Maggie Layman at crappawrappa@aol.com with any questions.



Harford County 4-H Graduate

Elisabeth Holmes



Elisabeth Holmes graduated from the North Harford High School Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences Magnet Program. She was a member of the Plant Science strand of the program. She joined 4-H as a Clover at five years old and is a member of the Harford County 4-H Livestock Club. Elisabeth has shown pigs and goats and has entered vegetables, photographs, crafts, and other projects at the Harford County Farm Fair over the years. She has also enjoyed attending 4-H camp since she was 8 years old as well as being a camp counselor and youth director. This past year she has had the opportunity to represent Harford County on the Maryland 4-H Council and to represent Maryland at National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia. In addition to 4-H, Elisabeth is a member of her school's field hockey team, tennis team, marching band and FFA. Elisabeth will be headed to Elon University in North Carolina this fall to study Computer Science with a minor in Geographical Information Systems. ~submitted by Rachel Holmes



Club Notes



The Blackhorse 4-H Club had their yearly fundraiser selling pit beef at The Mill's 4-H Day. People enjoyed the pit beef. We even sold out early. All of our members had a great time working behind the counter. There was also face painting and a petting zoo there. Thank you to The Mill and to the community for supporting our club.

~submitted by Virginia Brooks, Reporter





Club Notes



The Green Thumb Horticulture Activity Club members are busy learning and studying for their upcoming state competition!





Club Notes



The Super Clover Kids met in May and had a fun meeting. Brooklynn Eagan, Tessa Eagan, and Ashlynn Tognocchi gave a horse demonstration on Western and English riding. Then, older members worked with younger members to make bracelets. ~submitted by Club Leader, Heather Tognocchi



4-H Picture Pages



Harford county was well represented at the Cecil County Breeder's Fair!



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Clover/
Junior
Barnyard
Cupcakes
Workshop



Featured 4-Her

Recently, on April 29th Brady Larkin competed at the Maryland 4-H Public Speaking Competition in the senior interpretation category at college park. While there Brady met many 4-Hers and had the opportunity to present his rendition of "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" by Doctor Seuss. Brady won overall senior interpretation state champion.



June 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	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	9	10  4-H Horse Judging and Hippology Contests Howard County
11	12	13  4-H 101 EO 7 pm	14  Teen Leadership Council 6:30 pm EO	15  Poultry Skillathon Practice EO	16	17
18	19 Juneteenth Holiday Office Closed	20  Farm Fair Entries Due! T shirt contest due!	21  Camp Board Meeting 6 pm DCO  What Color/Breed is your Horse? 7 pm EO	22  Archery Meeting EO 7 pm	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	
Harford County Intermediate Camp						

July 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6  Clover/Jr Scavenger Hunt EO 6:30	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Junior/Clover Camp						
16	17	18  Farm Fair 101 7 pm EO	19  Camp Board Meeting 6 pm DCO	20	21	22
2023						
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
HARFORD COUNTY FARM FAIR						
30	31					



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**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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We're hiring! SNAP-Ed is searching for a part time Program Assistant, willing to travel to schools throughout the county, supply shop and help with data entry. For details contact Charae Harris, charae@umd.edu

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