



Cloverleaf Chronicle May 2025



Happy May! 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 6/5/25 to Marylisa Schaedel at mschaede@umd.edu.

Check out our Amazing 4-Hers!!



(Above L) Congratulations to Emily, Mackenzie, and Jaime-lyn for placing in the top 4 in Maryland which earns them each a spot to travel to Louisville, Kentucky to compete in the National Livestock Skillathon Contest this November! Great Job!!

(Above R) Harford County was well represented at the 2025 Dairy Bowl Contest!



Arielle and Virginia both placed 1st at the MD 4-H Sheep and Goat Skillathon!

Arielle, Adrianna, Cannon and Lucy all participated in the MD State 4-H Public Speaking Contest!





UPDATES FROM THE 4-H OFFICE



Attention all animal exhibitors! The Maryland 4-H Online Animal Husbandry and Quality Assurance website is now OPEN! Exhibitors will need to complete this training if they are changing age groups or showing a new species. Please be sure you are logged in to ensure you receive credit for completing the training. Members can access the website using this link: <https://ahqa.umd.edu/>. Questions? Feel free to reach out to our office!



Calling all Campers! If you are registered for camp, mark your calendars and plan to join us on 6/1 at 4 pm for Camp Orientation. This event will take place at the 4-H Camp 6 Cherry Hill Rd, Street, MD 21154.



Good luck wishes to Grads! Please share a tribute to your graduating seniors for the next newsletter! Submissions can be from club members, club leaders and/or family members.



Did you cash your fair premium check from 2024?? If not, please cash your check ASAP! This account needs to be closed out before the 2025 Farm Fair.





BINGO NIGHT!

Monday, May 19th

6 pm

\$10 to play 6 games!

**Benefiting the
Maryland 4-H Dairy Judging Team's
trip to Europe to compete in
two international contests!**

Broom's Bloom own
Claire Minde is on the team!

Preview of Prizes:

- **Chick-fil-a Basket**
- **Cherry Haven Jersey Milk Soap**
- **Hillacres Pride Cheese**
- **Waygu Steaks & Seasonings**
- **& More!!**



We hope you can join and support Claire and her teammates at Broom's Bloom! All proceeds benefit the MD 4-H Dairy Judging Team's upcoming International Contests!!

Prepare for the Fair!

Bring your questions! Join us for an interactive session to learn about the entry process, requirements and rules for both Indoor and Outdoor projects! We will be reviewing tips to secure a buyer for your animal and how to write a buyer's letter.

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

7 pm

Harford County Extension Office

3525 Conowingo Rd. Street, MD 21154

RSVP to Marylisa mschaede@umd.edu



Clover Activity - From Polliwog to Grown Up Frog



Want to learn about frogs? Let's hop to it!

Clover age 4-H members (5-7 years) are invited to attend. This class will be held **Monday, May 12, 2025** at 6:30 pm at the Harford County Ag Center in the Poplar Grove Barn.

Register: <https://forms.gle/oGAxQsbPfo5aZ27bA>

Any questions, contact Karen kbtaylor@umd.edu



Exploring Electrical Energy



Create a Firefly Card with Lights

July 10, 2025 at 6:30 pm @ Harford County Ag Center

- Learn how to create a parallel and series circuits
- Identify various batteries
- Learn various careers in electronics

4-H members ages 10-13 years old

Register by 7/1/25 Cost \$3.00 for materials

<https://forms.gle/uaYSvk6Xywh8JWiD9>

Any questions, contact Karen kbtaylor@umd.edu

Horse Standards Tier Tests for Maryland State Fair

Are you planning to show in 4-H horse shows at the Maryland State Fair this year?

Performance requirements for showing are outlined in the Maryland 4-H Horse and Pony Show Rule Book (2023 edition). **Members must have completed the appropriate Tiers of the Maryland 4-H Equine Showmanship and Equitation Standards program.** See the Maryland 4-H Horse Program webpage at <https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development/program-areas/animal-sciences/4-h-horse-program>.

Contact Karen Taylor kbtaylor@umd.edu by June 28th if you want to prepare and test so she can schedule prep dates, test dates and contact examiners.



Open to anyone who wants to get up early!

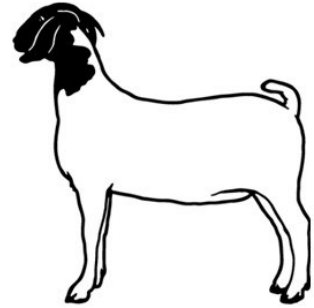
Tuesday, May 13th through Friday, May 16th
Tours run continuously from 6–9 a.m., with last registration at 8:45 a.m.

Enjoy a free, guided 20-minute walking tour offering an insider look into Thoroughbred racing. Free parking.

<https://www.preakness.com/pimlico-tours>



4-H Goat Fitting Workshop



Name: _____ Age: _____

Is this your first year showing goats? _____

T- shirt size: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone Number: _____

We will be providing pizza for lunch along with cookies for dessert. Water will be available at all times during the workshop. Please note if your child has any dietary concerns: _____

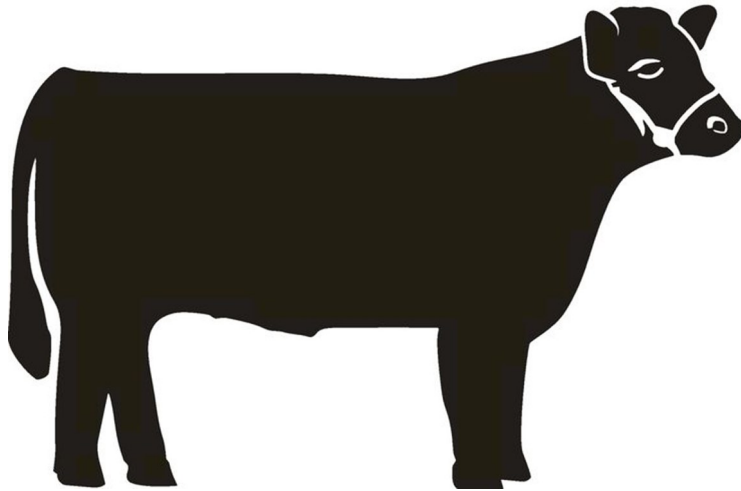
Adults remaining on site are welcome to join for lunch for an additional \$5 fee. Please indicate if you will be joining for lunch: ___Yes ___No

The workshop fee will be \$35 per youth participant. Please make your check payable to Harford County EAC and return to our office along with your signed Event Liability Form by 5/23.

*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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Beef Fitting and Showmanship Session



The Harward Family will be hosting a Beef Fitting and Showmanship Session at their Farm!

When: Monday, June 16, 2025

6 pm

Please RSVP by 6/12 to Marylisa mschaede@umd.edu

Address will be provided when you RSVP!

Special Thanks to the Harward Family for providing this opportunity to our 4-Hers!



Scholarship Opportunities!



The 2025 Harford County Farm Bureau and Harford County 4-H Memorial Scholarship applications are now available. Please complete and return no later than 5/28/2025. To obtain an electronic copy, please reach out to Farm Bureau office, harfordfb@gmail.com.



Maryland State Fair Scholarships Available

- Four (4) \$2,000.00 scholarships in memory of F. Grove Miller to Maryland youth who are enrolled in a four-year college, post-secondary college or trade school
- One (1) \$2,000.00 scholarship in memory of Marlin K. Hoff to a Maryland youth who has carried a dairy project and is enrolled in a four-year college, post-secondary college or trade school.
- Applications due June 1
- More information: <https://marylandstatefair.com/scholarships>

Mark your calendars! The Chesapeake Dock Dogs are extending an invitation to our Harford County 4-Hers to join their Student Handler Day! Questions? Reach out to Rachael, CDDboard@chesapeakedockdogs.org.

CHESAPEAKE DOCKDOGS

STUDENT HANDLER OPEN HOUSE

DATE: SATURDAY MAY 10TH

TIME: 9:00AM – 1:00PM

COST: FREE TO KIDS AGED 7-18

LOCATION: ALPHA ACRES DOCK

DIVING (ADDRESS WILL BE PROVIDED UPON
REGISTRATION.)

If you are 7-18 years old, have a dog that loves to swim, and are interested in having fun with your dog, join us for a fun day at the pool to learn how to Dock Dive! We will have experienced members of our club there to help you learn the ropes and join in the fun. Please join us for a fun kick-off to summer! Email us to sign up today! Parental consent forms required.

Rachael Clatworthy President

CDDBoard@ChesapeakeDockdogs.Org



WWW.CHESAPEAKEDOCKDOGS.ORG

State 4-H Opportunities



Registration Open for the Horse Judging Contest
Date: June 14, 2025, 8:00 am Check In
Place: Howard County Fairgrounds

Registration is now open for the 2025 Maryland 4-H Horse Judging Contest and the 2025 Maryland 4-H Hippology Contest. These two events are held on the same day and portions of the contests occur simultaneously, **but the events require separate registration.**

- Date: Saturday, June 14, 2025; Check-In from 8:00-8:30 AM

- Location: Howard County Fairgrounds

- Entry Fee: \$7.00

- **Registration Closes: June 2, 2025**



Registration Open for the Horse Hippology Contest
Date: June 14, 2025, 8:00 am Check In
Place: Howard County Fairgrounds

2025 Maryland 4-H Visual Equine Art Contest

The 2025 Visual Equine Art Contest will again be held by virtual submission beginning on **July 1st, 2025**. More details and information to follow!

State 4-H Opportunities

STATES' 4-H SUMMER HOSTING

Youth from Japan, Korea, seeking
host families this summer!



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OF THE WORLD TO YOUR HOME!

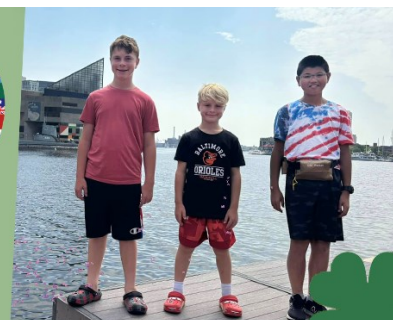
- JULY 23 THROUGH
AUGUST 16, 2025
- HOST A YOUTH AGED 12-18
OR AN ADULT CHAPERONE
- THIS PROGRAM IS VOLUNTARY;
NO STIPENDS ARE PROVIDED

HOST FAMILY REQUIREMENTS

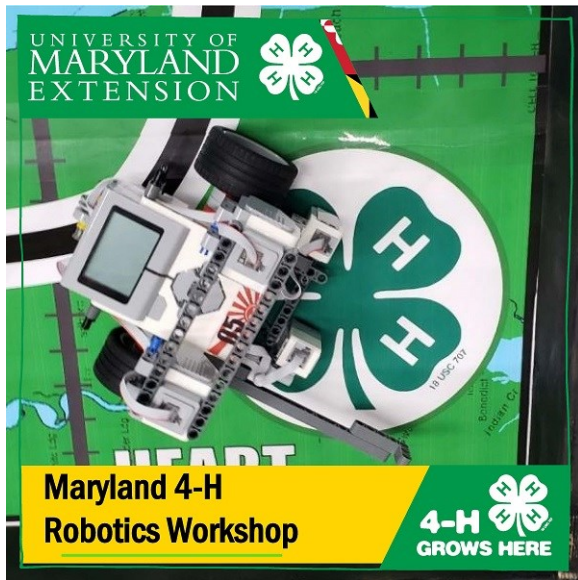
- Have a child of the same gender
within 3 years age of hosted
youth (ages 9+ are eligible to
host)
- Families with no children (or
younger children) may host an
adult chaperone
- No special activities need to be
planned - host youth want to
experience American culture,
make new friends, and improve
their English by becoming a
member of your family.

For more information, please contact
Joseph Cho, Maryland State Coordinator, at
jcho8@umd.edu.

*Host family selection dependent on completion of
application and screening process and student
availability.



State 4-H Opportunities



Robotics Workshops:

Charles County - May 17, 1-5 p.m., \$10 per youth

Montgomery County - June 7, 1-5 p.m., \$10 per youth

Registration is OPEN in 4-H Online.



41st Annual Maryland 4-H Foundation Golf Tournament
Friday, June 6, 2025, Myersville, MD

Registration Deadline: May 23, 2025

For more information, to register, or to sponsor a tee sign: <https://go.umd.edu/4Hgolf2025>

Questions?: Lauren Mohler, Lmohler@umd.edu



Club Notes



The newly established Harford Youth Shooters club has been enjoying sessions learning about firearm safety and practicing target shooting. ~Submitted by Arielle Leeds, Club President





Club Notes



In April, the Blue Ribbon 4-H Club decorated Easter cupcakes. Jaime Widman gave a horticulture demonstration and Ruthanne Yetter gave a sewing demonstration . ~ Submitted by Club Leader Jane Burgess





Club Notes



The Stockyard have been busy! In April, Wyatt Nelson did a very informative demonstration on Archery and Rory Nelson presented a very interesting demonstration about the Energy Transfer Project. At our May meeting, Tripp Miner gave a demonstration about his market goats. Vivian Hancock presented her demonstration on the Mangalitsa breed of swine. The club was intrigued and asked a lot of great questions! ~Submitted by Club Leader, Kristin Grabowski





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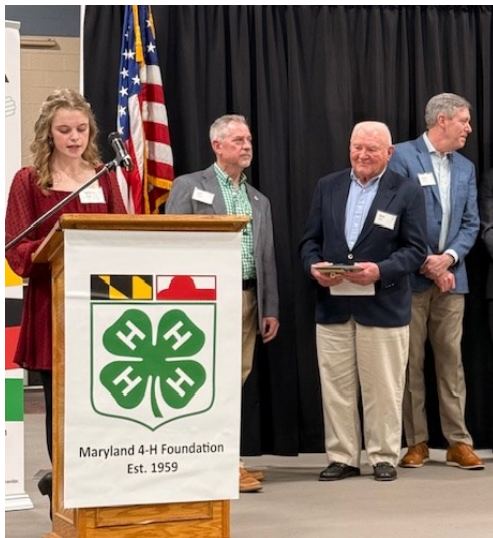


Blackhorse club has been busy during the month of April. Lots of kids were recognized during our county achievement night, and 2 of our members Reese McNutt and Emily Troyer are now part of the teen council that meets to plan activities for the county. Lots of our members participated in the Dairy bowl contest held at Univ. of MD. And at the end of the month some Blackhorse kids took their 4-H animals to a camp to get better at showing. ~Submitted by Club Reporter Julie Troyer



picture Pages

Trailblazers Club Leader, Julie Larkin shared many pictures from the Maryland 4-H Achievement Event!





Featured 4-Her!



Harford County 4-Her, Brady Larkin served as an emcee at the Maryland 4-H Achievement Event. Recently Brady attended and spoke at the National 4-H Conference in Crystal City, Virginia!



Picture Pages

Special thanks to Dr. Andy Holloway and Sophia Holloway for offering hands-on educational activities at our Veterinary Science Livestock Workshop!



Picture Pages

Congratulations to all who completed the Babysitters Series! Each 4-Her gave a presentation at the final session, highlighting what they have learned. Special thanks to Nurse Jennifer Thomas for teaching the 4-Hers all about First Aid!



picture Pages

The 4-H Teen Council stuffed Easter eggs for the Camp's Egg Hunt. We look forward to welcoming new members at our May meeting!



More pictures from the State 4-H Public Speaking Contest! ~submitted by Alyssa Jefferies



May 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1  EVERYTHING IS DUE!!!!	2	3
4  Sheep and Goat Skillathon	5  Submissions to the Cloverleaf Chronicle DUE!!	6  Sheep/Goat/Swine Weigh In 6-8 pm	7	8	9	10
11	12  Clover Workshop 6:30 pm	13  All Stars Meeting 7 pm	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21  Prepare for the Fair! EO 7 pm	22	23	24
25	26  MEMORIAL DAY Office Closed	27	28	29  RESCHEDULED!! MARKETPLACE PLANNING 6/12!!	30	31

June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1  Goat Fitting Workshop 9 am Camp Orientation 4 pm DCO	2	3	4	5  Submissions to the Cloverleaf Chronicle DUE!!	6	7
8	9  Leaders' Association Meeting 7 pm EO	10	11	12  NEW DATE!! Marketplace Meeting 7 pm EO	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 Office Closed - Juneteenth Holiday	20  Fair Entries Due!	21
22	23 	Harford County 4-H Camp			27 	28
29	30					



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